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I Preface

India is one of the most populous countries in the world with a steadily rising urban population. This continuous influx towards cities has posed several developmental challenges. One of them being, tremendous pressure to continually meet demand for housing; and especially social housing. Climate change has further exacerbated this situation, in fact, the India Meteorological Department (IMD)¹ has declared the past decade (2010-19) as the warmest on record. This has led to severe heat stress not only outdoors but indoors as well. A study monitoring indoor conditions in households in five low-income sites in South Asia found that mean monthly indoor temperatures exceed the mean monthly outdoor temperatures.² In context of intense heat waves and climate change, the current construction practices fail to provide conditions necessary for healthy and comfortable living. While for many air-conditioners are still out of reach, others are adopting air-conditioners out of necessity. Failure to address this problem will make our climate and developmental goals increasingly distant.

While mechanical means of cooling provide comfort, these are essentially supplementary solutions and must be judiciously combined with passive design solutions. Passively designed buildings complemented with low-energy cooling/heating systems have the potential for providing not only comfortable, but, affordable living as well.

This standard has been developed to provide a design framework for the development of thermally comfortable homes. This standard *translates solar passive design principles into design requirements to ensure a minimum level of thermal comfort performance in unconditioned buildings with focus on affordability*. Minimum level of thermal comfort performance is defined by the comfort potential achievable through passive design at no or minimal cost and without reliance on active space conditioning (with the exception of circulatory/exhaust fans). In context of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY), this standard has the potential of providing a framework for scaling thermally comfortable and affordable homes, and fostering climate resilience in India's urban infrastructure.

While the focus of this standard is indoor thermal comfort, it takes a far-sighted view to address future cooling use, and influence future planning policies. As a background to this standard, a fundamental understanding on adequate housing, passive design complemented with low energy systems, ethnic adaptations to climate, and the role of micro climate have been outlined.

Adequate housing a fundamental right

Article 19 (1)(e) Indian Constitution recognizes the right to shelter as a fundamental right. Through their various rulings, the honourable courts of India have also established the right to housing as essential to right to life guaranteed by Article 21 of the Indian Constitution. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights – 1948, also ratified by India, extends the right to housing to the right to 'adequate housing'. The United Nations, in its interpretation of the 'right to adequate housing', stresses that adequate housing is not limited to the building structure, but it also extends to *sustainability*, and non-discriminatory access to facilities essential for health, security, *comfort* and nutrition. Recognizing and acknowledging adequate housing that is thermally comfortable and resilient puts focus on passive design principles at the outset.

Passive design

The exponents of 'Passive design', i.e. layout, building envelope and form are the primary tools to achieve comfort indoors with minimal use of mechanically operated thermal comfort systems. An efficient envelope, alone has the potential to moderate internal temperatures to reduce demand for cooling and/or heating. Prioritizing passive design as the primary intervention reduces dependence on energy systems for maintaining indoor comfort. In India's context where the temperatures range from extremely hot, to swelteringly hot and humid, to

¹ 2010-2019 was India's hottest decade, past year 7th warmest, The Times of India (Jan 07, 2020), Accessed on Sep 01, 2023

² Tasgaonkar, P. *et al.*, Indoor heat measurement data from low-income households in rural and urban South Asia, *Sci Data* **9**, 285 (2022). <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41597-022-01314-5>

freezing cold, the potential to achieve year-round comfort through passive design measures is limited. Over time, we have developed adaptations to overcome the limitations of climate. These adaptations are key to managing our comfort expectations in a sustainable manner.

Adaptive comfort

The *adaptive* approach recognizes the ability of the human body to adapt, albeit within limits, to existing conditions based on past thermal experience and contextual factors³. Humphreys hypothesized that the human body tends to adapt to the average temperature it experiences. Field studies from the sub-continent have confirmed this hypothesis. The study also finds that compared to mechanically conditioned buildings, occupants are relatively tolerant in free-running buildings⁴. Therefore, the adaptive approach moves away from tightly controlled mechanically conditioned buildings that needlessly operate in narrow comfort bands, to naturally ventilated or mixed-mode buildings that operate on broader and flexible comfort bands. However, this does not preclude mechanical conditioning solutions. There are low-energy systems that are affordable and can reliably provide thermal comfort in India's harsh climatic conditions.

Low energy systems

While a degree of indoor comfort can be achieved with passive design and adaptive comfort principles, this may not suffice and necessitate mechanical means for achieving comfortable conditions especially during periods of heat stress. These systems have the potential to supplement the degree of comfort to further improve living conditions. While improving living conditions is a wholesome goal it must not come at the cost of environment. Therefore, low-energy cooling and heating systems that have low reliance on energy supply systems are key to comfort and resilience.

Improved micro climate

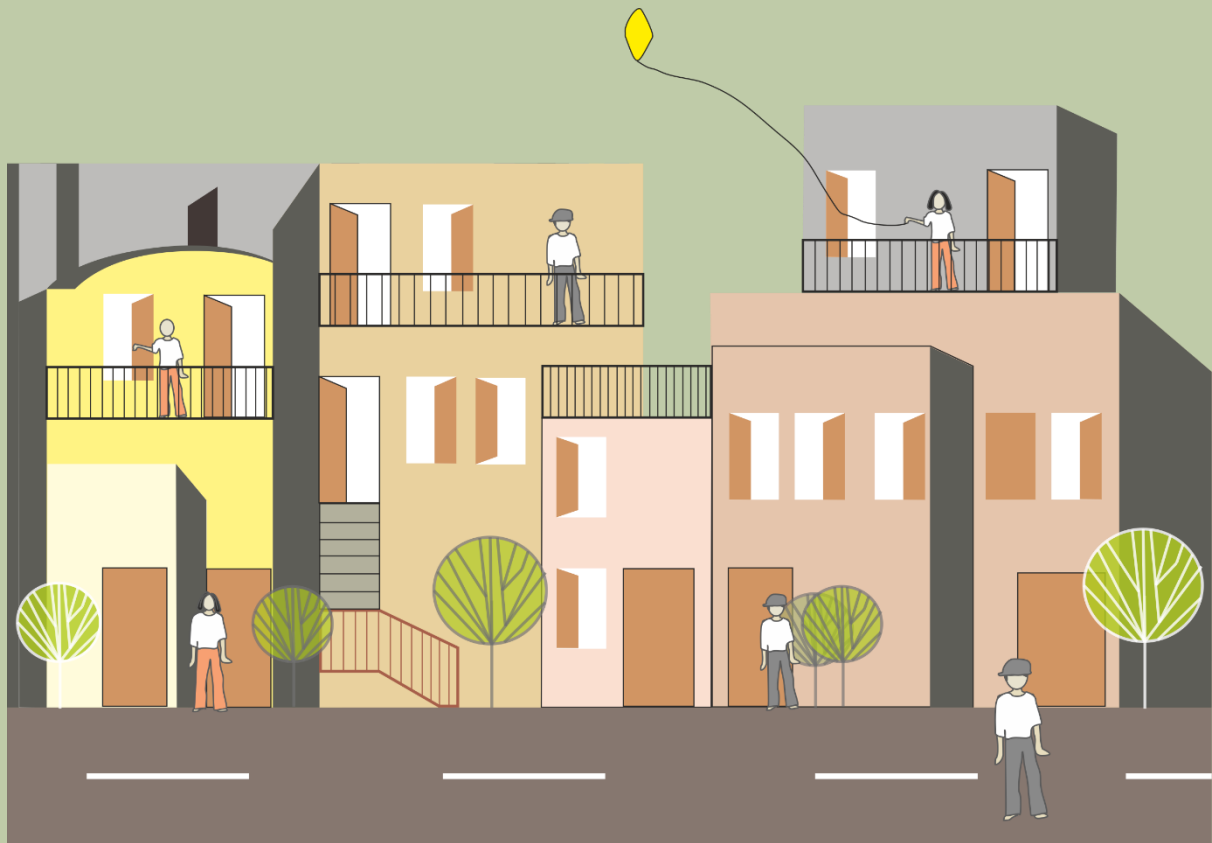
For improving the effectiveness of design interventions at building resolution, they must be complemented with favorable microclimatic conditions. Micro-climatic conditions have the potential to enhance, mitigate, or intensify comfort conditions. Suitable interventions in urban planning and policy can reduce the stress at building level and promote the effectiveness of passive measures. These are especially critical as we move towards large scale housing developments.

³ de Dear R. et al., Developing an adaptive model of thermal comfort and preference, ASHRAE Transactions, (1997), 1-18, (March)

⁴Humphreys, M.A., Chapter 15 the Dependence of Comfortable Temperatures upon Indoor and Outdoor Climates, Studies in Environmental Science, Elsevier, Volume 10 (1981), Pages 229-250, [https://doi.org/10.1016/S0166-1116\(08\)71092-6](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0166-1116(08)71092-6).

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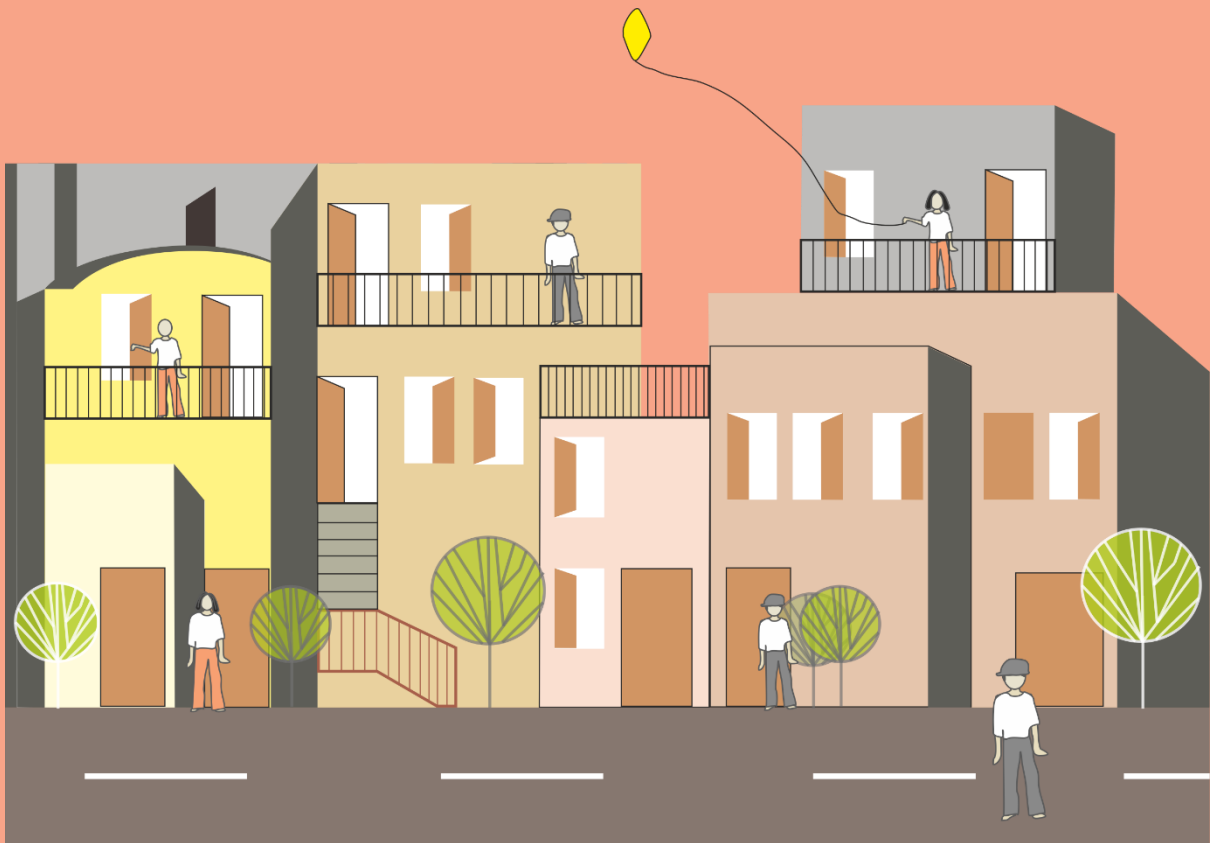


2 Purpose

In accordance with the Indian Constitution, national policies and international obligations, this standard identifies design requirements to ensure a certain minimum level of thermal comfort performance in residential developments with specific emphasis on low-income housing that have limited means/access to mechanical comfort systems. These requirements are based on adaptive thermal comfort. This standard further introduces design requirements for meeting progressively improved levels of thermal comfort. These further requirements would also prepare buildings for the potential use of active thermal comfort systems, to enable their operation at low energy use.

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Scope



3 Scope

3.1 Scope by building typology

This standard applies to buildings used for residential purpose. The NBC defines residential buildings as those in which sleeping accommodation is provided for normal residential purposes with or without cooking or dining or both facilities. For the purpose of this standard, residential typology includes, and is not limited to, 'One or two family private dwellings', 'Dormitories' and 'Apartment Houses'⁵. Specific exclusions to this standard include 'Lodging and rooming houses', 'Hotels', 'Starred Hotels' and residential facilities in Institutional Building typologies such as 'Hospitals and sanatoria', 'Custodial institutions', and 'Penal and mental health institutions'.

3.2 Building status

This is a design standard applicable to building/s in the design stage, or building/s undergoing additions or alterations. This standard is applicable to the whole building. In the case of additions and/or alterations, compliance shall be demonstrated for the whole building. The standard is not applicable to parts of the building.

3.3 Building components

This standard includes requirements for the building envelope, low energy cooling/heating systems, and lighting fixtures.

3.4 Performance scope

This standard identifies three progressive grades of thermal comfort performance; **Level A**, **Level A+** and **Level A++**. In order of performance, **Level A** provides a minimum level of thermal comfort and **Level A++** is the most comfortable.

3.4.1 Minimum level of thermal comfort performance

- 3.4.1.1 Mandatory requirements outlined in sections §4.3.1 must be met with for all compliance levels.
- 3.4.1.2 To demonstrate compliance with this standard, it is mandatory to meet Level A, or better performance.
- 3.4.1.3 In case any building uses mechanical space conditioning systems, it is mandatory to meet **Level A++** performance for demonstrating compliance with this standard. In context of this requirement, mechanical space conditioning equipment does not include ceiling/wall/table and exhaust fans, and desert/swamp coolers.

3.4.2 Thermal Comfort performance levels

Based on desired comfort, the design may opt for either of the following thermal comfort performance levels.

1. **Level A** (Minimum level of Thermal Comfort Performance) compliant building
To demonstrate compliance with Level A, the design must demonstrate **Level A** performance or better, by following the provisions outlined in Section §4.3.2 Prescriptive approach or Section §4.3.3 Bundle approach.
2. **Level A+** compliant building
To demonstrate compliance with **Level A+**, the design must demonstrate **Level A+** performance or better, by following the provisions outlined in Section §4.3.2 Prescriptive approach or Section §4.3.3 Bundle approach.
3. **Level A++** compliant building
To demonstrate compliance with **Level A++**, the design must demonstrate **Level A++** performance or better, by following the provisions outlined in Section §4.3.2 Prescriptive approach or Section §4.3.3 Bundle approach.

3.5 Precedence

The following codes, programs, and policies will take precedence over the Code in case of conflict:

⁵ 'One or two family private dwellings', 'Dormitories' and 'Apartment Houses' typologies have been referenced from Section 3.1.2: Group A Residential Buildings, of Part 4 Fire and Life Safety, National Building Code 2016, Volume 1.

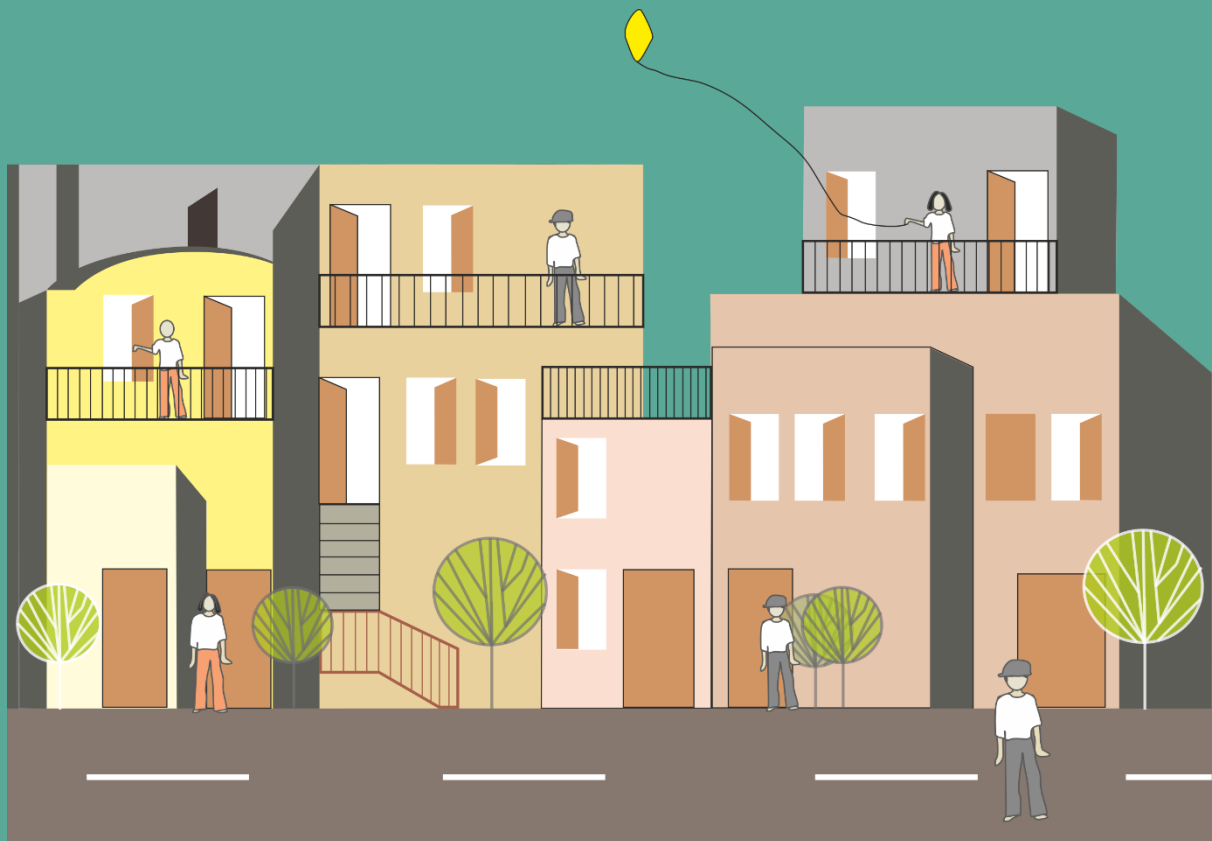
- a) Any policy notified as taking precedence over this Code, or any other rules on safety, security, health, or environment by Central, State, or Local Government.
- b) Bureau of Energy Efficiency's Eco-Niwas Samhita (Parts 1 & 2), Standards and Labels for appliances and Star Rating Program for buildings, provided these or either are more stringent than the requirements of this standard.

3.6 Reference Standards

This standard refers National Building Code of India 2016 (NBC), Model Building Bye Laws 2016, Energy Conservation Building Code 2017 (Amended 2020), Eco-Niwas Samhita (Parts 1 & 2) and Bureau of Energy Efficiency's Standards and Labels for appliances.

In addition, national and international standards for various test procedures have been referenced.

4 **Comfort Evaluation and Compliance Approach**



4 Thermal comfort evaluation and compliance approach

Indoor Operative Temperature is a simple thermal comfort index that is utilized by the Adaptive Comfort approach to quantify thermal comfort. This index takes into account; the air temperature, mean radiant temperature and air speed. The adaptive comfort model used for developing this standard uses the operative temperature to define a range of temperature which is considered comfortable.

This standard uses Degree Discomfort Hours (DDH) calculated over the Indoor Operative Temperature as the thermal comfort performance metric. The various provisions of this standard are designed to effect a reduction in Degree Discomfort Hours (DDH). The standard uses annualised metrics such as DDH, DDH avoided and Comfortable Hours (corresponding to 80% acceptability), and peak discomfort metrics such as improvement of minimum and maximum indoor operative temperatures.

The DDH, DDH avoided and Comfortable Hours are estimated using the Indian Model for Adaptive Comfort – Residential (IMAC-R).

4.1 Determining thermal comfort performance

This section outlines the procedure for calculating DDH and Comfortable Hours. It also indicates thermal comfort performance thresholds for Level A, A+ and A++ for the 5 climate zones of India.

4.1.1 Determining Degree Discomfort Hours (DDH)

Equation (1) uses the 30-day running mean outdoor temperature ($T_{out-30DRM}$) to calculate neutral temperature (T_{neut}). The absolute difference between the calculated neutral temperature and the observed indoor operative temperature within the space at hour 'i' is the degree of discomfort for that hour. Summation of DDH across 8,760 hours yields the annual DDH. Equation (2) presents the computation of DDH.

$$T_{neut} = 0.42(T_{out-30DRM}) + 17.60 \quad (1)$$

$$DDH = \sum_{i=1}^{8760} |T_{neut}^i - T_{op}^i| \quad (2)$$

4.1.2 Determining Comfortable Hours

This standard defines 'Comfortable hours' (C_{hours}) as the number of hours the indoor operative temperature falls within the 80% acceptability range. 80% acceptability range is defined as deviation of 3.6°C around the neutral temperature (T_{neut}).

$$f(x) = |T_{neut}^i - T_{op}^i| \quad (3)$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{8760} C_{hours}, \text{ where } f(x) \leq 3.6 \quad (4)$$

4.1.3 Maximum and minimum indoor operative temperature

Maximum and minimum indoor operative temperatures are indicative of degree of discomfort. The maximum and minimum indoor operative temperature can be found out using equations (5) and (6) respectively.

$$T_{op}^{max} = \max(T_{op}^1, \dots, T_{op}^{8760}) \quad (5)$$

$$T_{op}^{min} = \min(T_{op}^1, \dots, T_{op}^{8760}) \quad (6)$$

4.2 Performance levels to demonstrate compliance

As outlined in performance scope, Section §3.4, this standard identifies three progressive grades of design for thermal comfort performance; **Level A**, **Level A+** and **Level A++**. The first grade of performance (**Level A**) defines the minimum level of thermal comfort performance which is recognized as the mandatory performance criteria (Section §4.3.1) for achieving compliance. **Level A+** and **Level A++** are voluntary enhanced performance levels. **Level A+** implies improvement in thermal comfort performance (over **Level A**), and **Level A++** implies further improvement in performance (over **Level A+**).

4.2.1 Minimum level of thermal comfort performance

The standard defines a minimum level of thermal comfort performance (or **Level A**) for each climate zone. The defined level of performance '**Level A**' is the indicative thermal performance achievable through the design of the envelope for desirable thermal gains/losses and ventilation performance, and improved comfort ventilation through use of ceiling fans and exhaust fans. '**Level A**' performance in terms of comfortable hours characterized by 80% comfort limit has been outlined in Table 1.

Table 1 Percentage of hours when 80% occupants are expected to be thermally comfortable

	Cold	Composite	Hot-Dry	Temperate	Warm-Humid
Comfortable Hours (%)	55%	65%	80%	95%	90%

Note: (Considering 80% acceptability as per IMAC-R model)

4.2.2 Performance for progressive grades **Level A+** and **Level A++**

Level A+ and **Level A++** lead to improvement in thermal comfort performance over **Level A** through improvements in building envelope alone, and not considering active cooling or heating equipment, with the exception of fans for circulation and exhaust. The requirements for improvement are outlined in Sections §5.2 and §5.3. The improvement in comfort for different climates is outlined in Table 2 in terms of improvement over **Level A** in Peak Temperature Difference (in °C), and Degree Discomfort Hours (DDH) Avoided. This is provided as information only, and does not have to be proven while applying the standard.

Table 2 Thermal Comfort performance thresholds by climate

Level of performance	Climate			DDH Avoided (in %)	
	A+	A++	Season	A+	A++
Cold	1.00	2.50	Winter	10%	25%
Composite	1.00	1.50	Summer	10%	25%
Hot-dry	0.90	1.20	Summer	8%	15%
Temperate		0.60	Summer		5%
Warm-humid	0.60	0.80	Summer	10%	20%

4.3 Compliance approaches

This section identifies two compliance paths for demonstrating compliance with this standard; Prescriptive and Bundle Approach. The following sub-sections outline the requirements.

4.3.1 Mandatory requirements

1. This standard identifies mandatory requirements that are to be met irrespective of the chosen compliance path and/or level of performance. Sections § 5.1, 6.1, 7.1 and 8.1 outline the minimum requirements to be met for compliance with this standard.
2. To demonstrate compliance with this standard, meeting at least **Level A** performance criteria is mandatory.
3. Documentation requirements for Mandatory requirements are outlined in Section §4.4 and further outlined in Compliance Forms in Section §10.5.

4. This standard proposes only low-energy systems in conjunction with solar passive design to supplement thermal comfort performance. Buildings that use mechanical space conditioning, therefore, must demonstrate **Level A++** compliance with building envelope provisions in Section §5.

4.3.2 Prescriptive approach

The Prescriptive approach prescribes minimum, maximum or range of values for envelope components. This approach allows compliance with the minimum level of thermal comfort performance (**Level A**) and enhanced levels of thermal comfort performance (**Level A+** and **Level A++**).

The following provisions must be met with:

1. Mandatory requirements outlined in Section §4.3.1, as applicable, and,
2. Requirements outlined in §Section **Error! Reference source not found.** for the selected level of thermal comfort performance or higher must be demonstrated.

4.3.3 Bundle approach

The Bundle approach simplifies compliance by providing solution-sets comprising of pre-compiled envelope assemblies that may be adopted by buildings as it is. This approach allows compliance with the minimum level of thermal comfort performance (**Level A**) and enhanced levels of thermal comfort performance (**Level A+** and **Level A++**).

The following provisions must be met with.

1. Mandatory requirements outlined in Section §4.3.1, as applicable, and,
2. Requirements outlined in Section §**Error! Reference source not found.** for the selected level of thermal comfort performance or higher must be demonstrated.

4.4 Compliance documentation

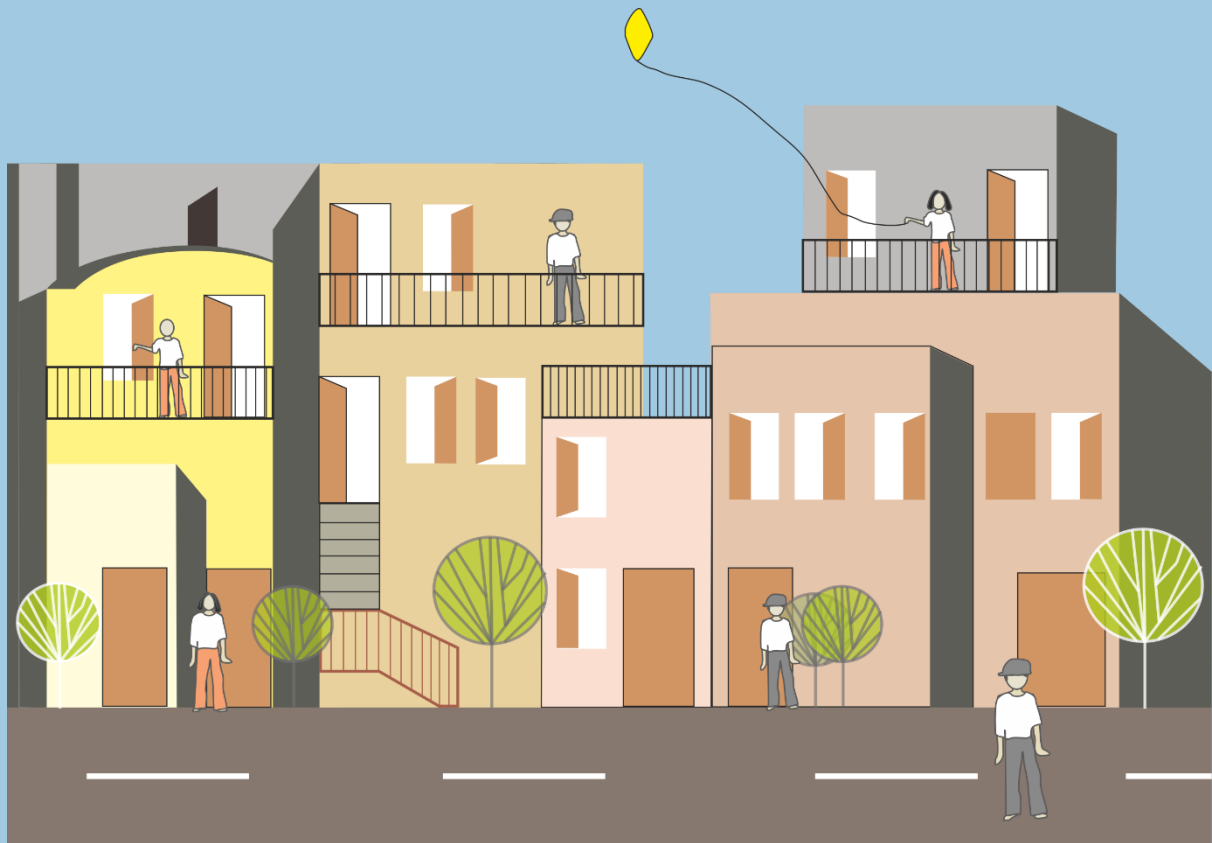
Construction documents and specifications documenting and demonstrating compliance with various provisions of this standard will be submitted to the authority having jurisdiction for verification. The details to be submitted shall include, but are not limited to:

1. Construction drawing set complete with,
 - a) Site plan outlining building footprint, tree canopy area and hard paved areas.
 - b) Floor plans
 - c) Sections
 - d) Elevations
 - e) Material schedules along with material specifications
 - f) Schedule of openings along with shading details
 - g) Area statements
2. Material specification sheets (from manufacturer)
 - a) U-factor, SHGC and VLT for non-opaque assemblies
 - b) Conductivity and density of materials utilized in opaque assemblies exposed to the external environment. Emittance and reflectance of materials of the outer-most surface in these assemblies is required as applicable.
3. Calculations for,
 - a) Window area to exposed wall area ratio (by wall surface)
 - b) Window area to carpet area ratio
 - c) Operable window area to carpet area ratio
 - d) U-factor for composite opaque assemblies
 - e) Density for composite opaque assemblies
4. Equipment schedules
 - a) Inventory of equipment (lights, ceiling fans, exhaust fans, space conditioning equipment) along with respective energy performance data.

5. Any other information outlined in compliance forms outlined in Section §10.5
6. Any other supplemental information as stipulated by the Authority Having Jurisdiction.

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Building Envelope



5 Building envelope

5.1 Mandatory requirements

This section identifies mandatory requirements for meeting a minimum level of thermal comfort performance. Sections §5.1.1 and §5.1.2 identify the requirements for testing and certifying opaque and transparent materials for thermal performance, respectively. These sections also identify alternate requirements in case testing and certification are not met with.

5.1.1 Opaque Construction

- 5.1.1.1 U-factor for opaque construction assemblies shall be determined in accordance with ISO-6946. Building materials must be tested in accordance with respective standards by an independent laboratory and labeled or certified by the manufacturer. For unrated products, use default tables in Appendix Section §10.2.1. Sample U-factor calculation along with example has been outlined in Appendix Section §10.2.3.
- 5.1.1.2 Solar Reflectance and Thermal Emittance for exposed roof surfaces shall be determined as per standard test methods outlined in [ANSI/CRRC S100 \(2021\)](#). For external wall surfaces, solar reflectance and thermal emittance shall be tested as per procedures laid down in Wall Product Rating Program Manual CRRC-2. The tests must be conducted by an independent accredited laboratory and the tested products must be labeled or certified by the manufacturer or recognized certifying agency.
- 5.1.1.3 Solar Reflectance Index (SRI) for exposed surface (roof or wall) shall be determined in accordance with ASTM E1980-11(2019). The tests must be conducted by an independent accredited laboratory and the tested products must be labeled or certified by the manufacturer or recognized certifying agency.

5.1.2 Fenestration

- 5.1.2.1 Glazing products must be tested for, U-factor, Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (SHGC) and Visible Light Transmittance (VLT), in accordance with ISO-9050. The tests must be conducted by an independent accredited laboratory and the tested products must be labeled or certified by the manufacturer or recognized certifying agency.
- 5.1.2.2 To avoid thermal bridging and limit infiltration gains/losses, framing material for fenestration shall be as per Table 3.

Table 3 Acceptable materials for window frames

<i>Climate</i>	<i>Unconditioned</i>	<i>Conditioned</i>
Warm (Composite, Hot-dry, Temperate and Warm-humid)	Wood or Vinyl, or Metal with thermal break.	Wood or Vinyl
Cold	Wood or Vinyl	Wood or Vinyl

5.1.3 Access and control of windows/ventilators for ventilation, daylight and views in habitable spaces

- 5.1.3.1 All habitable rooms must have at-least one accessible window, ventilator or door opening directly to an exterior open space. The minimum requirements for qualifying as an exterior open space have been defined in Clause §8.2.1, §8.2.3 §8.2.6 and §8.4 Part 3 – Development Control Rules and General Building Requirements of the National Building Code of India 2016, Volume 1 as applicable..
- 5.1.3.2 The openable windows for all habitable rooms must meet the requirements for minimum openable window area to floor area ratio outlined in Table 4. The openable window area includes all openings in habitable rooms that can be operated, including windows, ventilators and excluding doors. For partly fixed windows and ventilators, only the operable part will be considered for calculating minimum openable window area. Minimum openable window area calculations may be inclusive of frame. The floor area used to compute minimum openable window area to floor area ratio will be the Carpet Area of the habitable space.

Table 4 Minimum window and window opening areas expressed as floor area ratios

Climate type	Minimum openable window area to Floor area ratio ⁶
	(Min)
Hot-dry	1/10 th of carpet area (10.0%)
Composite	1/8 th of carpet area (12.5%)
Temperate	1/8 th of carpet area (12.5%)
Warm-humid	1/6 th of carpet area (16.7%)
Cold	1/12 th of carpet area (8.3%)

⁶ Operable window to floor (carpet) area ratios adapted from Section §4.30 of Model Building Bye-laws.

- 5.1.3.3 To maintain thermal comfort, the overall Window area to Floor area ratio must not exceed 45%. Further, to limit localized discomfort due to radiant asymmetry, no singular wall shall exceed window to wall ratio (including windows and ventilators) more than 25%. The floor area used to compute window area to floor area ratio will be the Carpet Area of the habitable space. The window to wall ratio for any given wall will be the ratio of glazed area inclusive of frame and the area of wall exposed to the exteriors.
- 5.1.3.4 To ensure enhanced ventilation in habitable rooms, the cill level shall not exceed 0.75m. Ventilators are exempt from this requirement. For habitable rooms that include kitchen, windows meant for removal of products of combustion (emanating from chullahs, stoves, gas appliances, etc.) are also exempt from this requirement.
- 5.1.3.5 All glazing used in the building should meet minimum Visible Light Transmittance (VLT) of 0.3.
- 5.1.4 Access and control of windows/ventilators for ventilation in kitchen, bath and water closets.**
- 5.1.4.1 Kitchen space must have at-least one accessible window or ventilator opening directly to an exterior open space. The requirements for qualifying as an exterior open have been referenced in Section §5.1.3.1. The minimum openable window area, inclusive of frame and after provision of exhaust fan, must meet the requirements outlined in Section §4.30 of Model Building Bye-laws, 2016.
- 5.1.4.2 Bath and water closet must have at-least one accessible window or ventilator opening directly to an exterior open space or shaft. The requirements for ventilation shaft will be as per Section §4.30.2 of Model Building Bye-laws 2016. The requirement for window area and minimum dimensions must be as per requirements outlined in Section §4.30 of Model Building Bye-laws, 2016. At least one half of the provided window should be operable⁷.
- 5.1.5 Building envelope sealing**
- 5.1.5.1 Wherever applicable, the following shall be sealed, caulked, or weather-stripped:
1. All windows, ventilators and doors shall also be weather sealed.
 2. Openings between wall panels, walls and roof.
 3. Building assemblies used as ducts or plenums.
- 5.1.6 Window shading**
- 5.1.6.1 Minimum shading requirements for windows based on climate type, orientation and location have been identified in Table 5. Either of overhang (O/H) or fin or a combination of both may be used to demonstrate compliance. In case of multiple shading devices, the higher projection factor will be considered for compliance.
- 5.1.6.2 For all climates except cold, the windows shall be provided with external movable shades that can be controlled and/or operated by occupants to suit their thermal comfort needs.

⁷ This requirement is adapted from Section §[R303.3](#) Bathrooms of 2021 International Residential Code (IRC).

Table 5 Prescribed factors for shading windows based on climate, orientation and location.

	Orientation →	0°		45°		90°		135°		180°		225°		270°		315°	
	Latitude	O/H	Fin	O/H	Fin	O/H	Fin	O/H	Fin	O/H	Fin	O/H	Fin	O/H	Fin	O/H	Fin
Cold	>23.5° N											<i>Both</i>					
		-	L 0.18 R -	0.47	L - R -	0.84	L - R -	0.70	L - R -	0.70	L - R -	1.00	L - R 1.00	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -
Composite	>23.5° N			<i>Either</i>												<i>Either</i>	
		-	L 0.18 R 0.18	1.00	L - R 1.00	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L 1.00 R -
	≤23.5° N																
		0.47	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -
Hot-Dry	≤23.5° N	<i>Either</i>		<i>Either</i>												<i>Either</i>	
		0.47	L 0.36 R 0.36	1.00	L - R 1.00	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L 1.00 R -
	≤23.5° N																
		0.47	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -
Temperate	≤23.5° N	0.47	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	0.84	L - R -	0.84	L - R -	0.84	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -
Warm-Humid	≤23.5° N	<i>Either</i>															
		0.47	L 0.21 R 0.21	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -
	≤23.5° N	<i>Both</i>															
		0.58	L 0.41 R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -	1.00	L - R -

Notes:

1. 'Either' indicates that either of overhang (O/H) or fin may be used with indicated or better projection factors. 'Either' does not imply choice between 'Left' and 'Right' side fins. See note 4 for description of 'Left' and 'Right' side fins
2. 'Both' indicates that both overhang and fin must be used with indicated or better projection factors.
3. '-' indicates that the shade is optional.
4. 'L' and 'R' are indicate 'Left' and 'Right' positions for fin as shading. Standing inside the building and facing the window, the fin shading the window from solar gains from the Left side are indicated as 'L'. Similarly, the fin shading the window from solar gains from the Right side are indicated as 'R'.
5. Shading factors written within **solid shaded** blocks indicate that while shading is effective, it is unable to shade from solar gains throughout the year. Therefore, accommodating considerations of daylight, views and natural ventilation, a maximum projection factor of 1.0 is deemed as a practical trade-off.

5.1.7 High emittance and high reflectance roof surfaces

5.1.7.1 For all climates except Cold, 100% of roof surfaces must have reflectance of 0.70 or greater and initial emittance of 0.75 or greater. Solar reflectance must be determined in accordance with ASTM E903-96 and emittance determined in accordance with ASTM E408-71, Alternatively, the roof surfaces must demonstrate Solar Reflective Index (SRI) of 78 or greater. SRI is calculated according to test standard ASTM E1980 for horizontal and low-sloped surfaces.

5.1.7.2 Exceptions to 5.1.7.1.

1. Vegetated roofs and roof areas under building services, Solar Photovoltaic panels, Solar Hot-water panels and any other services are exempt from requirement in §5.1.7.1. For qualifying as a vegetated roof surface, the roof surface must maintain living vegetation 50mm or higher.
2. In-situ roof surface preparations such as Lime wash, White china mosaic tiles (with white cement grout) are acceptable cool roof surfaces and need not be tested.

5.1.8 Reflective external wall surfaces

5.1.8.1 For all climates except cold, 100% of the exterior wall surface area must be reflective. A wall is considered as a reflective surface if it has an initial solar reflectance of at least 0.60 and initial thermal emittance of at least 0.75. Solar reflectance must be measured in accordance with ASTM Standard E903-20, weighting solar spectral reflectance with the solar spectral irradiance for a sun-facing vertical surface specified by ASTM Standard G197-14. Thermal emittance shall be measured in accordance with ANSI/CRRC Standard S100-2021. Alternatively, the external face of exterior walls must meet SRI of 29. SRI values for horizontal and low-sloped surfaces calculated as per procedures laid out in ASTM E1980 are allowed to meet the requirement of vertical wall surfaces.

5.1.8.2 Exceptions to 5.1.8.1.

1. Wall surface area under vegetation, building integrated Solar Photovoltaics, and any other services are exempt from the requirement in Section §5.1.8.1. To qualify as vegetated wall, the vegetation must be living with access to growing media and provision for irrigation.

5.2 Design prescription for building envelope

5.2.1.1 Thermal properties of external wall assembly

5.2.1.2 External wall assembly must not exceed the prescribed conductance values outlined in Table 6 corresponding to respective climates, density range and level of thermal comfort performance.

Table 6 Minimum prescribed conductance (U – factor in $W/m^2.K$) values for compliance for compliance with different levels of thermal comfort performance.

	Level A		Level A+		Level A++	
Density (kg/m^3)	<800	≥800	<800	≥800	<800	≥800
Cold	0.80	0.85	0.60	0.50	0.35	0.35
Composite	0.80	1.00	0.60	0.80	0.40	0.45
Hot-dry	0.80	1.00	0.60	0.80	0.40	0.45
Temperate	0.80	1.00	0.80	1.00	0.40	0.45
Warm-humid	0.80	1.00	0.60	0.80	0.40	0.45

5.2.2 Thermal properties of roof assembly

5.2.2.1 Roof assembly must not exceed the prescribed conductance values outlined in Table 7. The values have been prescribed with respect to climate, and desired level of thermal comfort performance.

Table 7 Minimum prescribed conductance (U – factor in $W/m^2.K$) values for compliance with different levels of thermal comfort performance.

Performance Level	Level A	Level A+	Level A++
All climates	0.75	0.45	0.25

5.2.3 Glazing properties

5.2.3.1 Glazing must not exceed the prescribed conductance and SHGC values outlined in Table 8. The values have been prescribed with respect to climate, and desired level of thermal comfort performance.

Table 8 Minimum prescribed conductance (U – factor in $W/m^2.K$) and SHGC values for compliance with different levels of thermal comfort performance.

Performance Level	Level A		Level A+		Level A++	
Performance Metric	U-Value	SHGC	U-Value	SHGC	U-Value	SHGC
Cold	3.8	0.7	2.8	0.7	1.8	0.6
All other climates	5.7	0.6	4.8	0.4	2.8	0.4

5.2.4 Window placement and configurations

5.2.4.1 For all habitable rooms, the placement and number of windows on external walls for respective thermal comfort performance shall be as per Table 9.

Table 9 Prescribed glazing configurations for different levels of thermal comfort performance.

Performance Level	Level A	Level A+	Level A++
Configuration of windows	When only one external side has provision for windows, at-least 2 windows are required on this side.	Windows on at least two external walls.	Windows on at least two external walls.

5.3 Performance bundles

The bundle approach requires choosing a bundle as per desired level of thermal comfort performance. Table 10 to **Error! Reference source not found.** Outline the three levels of thermal comfort performance for the 5 climate types of India. Refer the table for respective climate and adopt bundle strategy for desired level of thermal comfort performance. The bundles for each level of thermal comfort performance provide flexibility in strategy by offering a choice from light-weight, heavy weight and alternative construction practices.

Table 10 Description of assemblies by level of performance for Cold climate

Component	Bundle Description	Level A	Level A+	Level A++
External Wall	Light-weight construction	AAC block-work (See Section § 10.4.1 for details)	AAC block-work (See Section § 10.4.1 for details)	AAC block-work with internal insulation (rigid insulation board) (See Section § 10.4.2 for details)
		Key Specifications AAC block work 200 mm thick	Key Specifications AAC block work 300 mm thick.	Key Specifications AAC block work 150 mm thick with 50 mm insulation (PUF).
	Medium/ Heavy-weight construction	Block work with internal insulation (rigid insulation board) See Section §10.4.4 and 10.4.6 as applicable.	Block work with internal insulation (rigid insulation board) See Section §10.4.4 and 10.4.6 as applicable.	Block work with internal insulation (rigid insulation board) See Section §10.4.4 and 10.4.6 as applicable.
		Key Specifications 230mm Fly-ash brick with 25mm insulation (XPS or PUF) OR 200mm Solid Concrete block with 25mm insulation (XPS or PUF)	Key Specifications 230mm Fly-ash brick with 50mm insulation (XPS or PUF) OR 200mm Solid Concrete block with 50mm insulation (XPS or PUF)	Key Specifications 230mm Fly-ash brick with 75mm insulation (XPS or PUF) OR 200mm Solid Concrete block with 75mm insulation (XPS or PUF)
Roof	Typical construction	RCC slab topped with foam concrete. See Section §10.3.4 (Light color tiles not required)	RCC slab with under-deck insulation. See Section §10.3.1	RCC slab topped with foam concrete.and under-deck insulation See Section §10.3.2
		Key Specifications 75mm Foam concrete over RCC slab as/design	Key Specifications 50mm XPS applied to RCC slab from inside.	Key Specifications 100mm Foam concrete over RCC slab and 75mm XPS applied from inside.
Glazing	Provide glazing compliant with specifications corresponding to level of performance outlined in Section §5.2.3			
Shading	Provide appropriate shading as per Section §5.1.4			

Table 11 Description of assemblies by level of performance for Composite, Hot-Dry and Warm-Humid climate

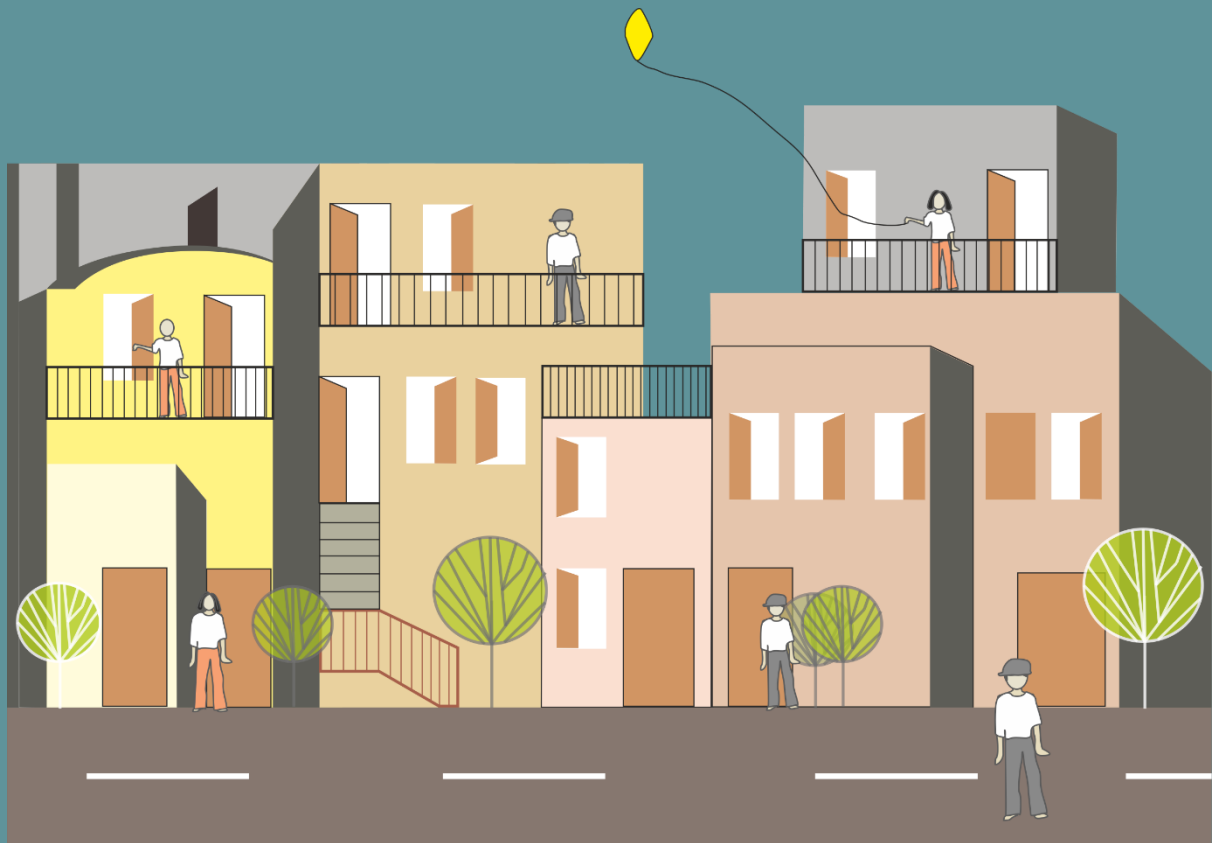
Component	Bundle Description	Level A	Level A+	Level A++
External Wall	Light-weight construction	AAC block-work (See Section § 10.4.1 for details)	AAC block-work (See Section § 10.4.1 for details)	AAC block-work with external insulation (rigid insulation board) (See Section § 10.4.2 for details)
		Key Specifications AAC block work 200 mm thick	Key Specifications AAC block work 300 mm thick.	Key Specifications AAC block work 150 mm thick with 50 mm insulation (PUF or XPS).
	Medium/ Heavy-weight construction	See Sections §10.4.5, 10.4.7, and 10.4.8 as applicable.	Block work with external insulation (rigid insulation board) See Sections §10.4.5, and 10.4.7, as applicable.	Block work with external insulation (rigid insulation board) See Sections §10.4.5, and 10.4.7, as applicable.
		Key Specifications 230mm Fly-ash brick with 25mm insulation (EPS) OR 200mm Solid Concrete block with 25mm insulation (XPS) OR Composite of 150mm AAC and 115mm Fly-ash block work	Key Specifications 230mm Fly-ash brick with 25mm insulation (XPS or PUF) OR 200mm Solid Concrete block with 25mm insulation (PUF)	Key Specifications 230mm Fly-ash brick with 50mm insulation (XPS or PUF) OR 200mm Solid Concrete block with 50mm insulation (PUF)
Roof	Typical construction	RCC slab topped with foam concrete. See Section §10.3.4	See Sections §10.3.3 and 10.3.4	RCC slab topped with foam concrete and over-deck insulation. See Section §10.3.2
		Key Specifications 75mm Foam concrete over RCC slab as/design	Key Specifications 150mm Foam concrete applied over RCC slab OR 50mm XPS applied to RCC slab over-deck.	Key Specifications 100mm Foam concrete over RCC slab and 75mm XPS applied over-deck.
Glazing	Provide glazing compliant with specifications corresponding to level of performance outlined in Section §5.2.3			
Shading	Provide appropriate shading as per Section §5.1.4			

Table 12 Description of assemblies by level of performance for Temperate climate

Component	Bundle Description	Level A	Level A+	Level A++
External Wall	Light-weight construction	AAC block-work (See Section § 10.4.1 for details)	Same as Level A	AAC block-work with external insulation (rigid insulation board) (See Section § 10.4.2 for details)
		Key Specifications AAC block work 200 mm thick	Same as Level A	Key Specifications AAC block work 150 mm thick with 50 mm insulation (PUF or XPS).
	Medium/ Heavy-weight construction	See Sections §10.4.5, 10.4.7, and 10.4.8 as applicable.	Same as Level A	Block work with external insulation (rigid insulation board) See Sections §10.4.5, and 10.4.7, as applicable.
		Key Specifications 230mm Fly-ash brick with 25mm insulation (EPS) OR 200mm Solid Concrete block with 25mm insulation (XPS) OR Composite of 150mm AAC and 115mm Fly-ash block work	Same as Level A	Key Specifications 230mm Fly-ash brick with 50mm insulation (XPS or PUF) OR 200mm Solid Concrete block with 50mm insulation (PUF)
Roof	Typical construction	RCC slab topped with foam concrete. See Section §10.3.4 (Light color tiles not required)	See Sections §10.3.3 and 10.3.4	RCC slab topped with foam concrete. See Section §10.3.2
		Key Specifications 75mm Foam concrete over RCC slab as/design	Key Specifications 150mm Foam concrete applied over RCC slab OR 50mm XPS applied to RCC slab overdeck.	Key Specifications 100mm Foam concrete over RCC slab and 75mm XPS applied from inside.
Glazing	Provide glazing compliant with specifications corresponding to level of performance outlined in Section §5.2.3			
Shading	Provide appropriate shading as per Section §5.1.4			

6

Low-energy Systems



6 Low-energy systems

6.1 Mandatory requirements

6.1.1 Provision of ceiling fan for achieving thermal comfort

- 6.1.1.1 Each dwelling room must be provided with one or more ceiling fan/s. The guidance on optimum room size being serviced by the number of fans for various sweep sizes are provided in Clause § 5.7.4, Part 8 Building Services – Section 1 Lighting and Natural Ventilation of the National Building Code of India 2016, Volume 2.
- 6.1.1.2 The installed ceiling fans must meet BEE Star Label certification or better as indicated in Table 13 for respective levels of thermal comfort performance.

Table 13 Minimum efficiency requirements for ceiling fans for respective levels of thermal comfort performance.

	Level A	Level A+	Level A++
Star Rating	BEE 3 Star or better	BEE 4 Star or better	BEE 5 Star or better

6.1.2 Provision of table/wall-mounted fan or pedestal fan

- 6.1.2.1 The installed table/wall-mounted fans and pedestal fans must meet BEE Star Label certification or better as indicated in Table 14 for respective levels of thermal comfort performance.

Table 14 Minimum efficiency requirements for ceiling fans for respective levels of thermal comfort performance.

	Level A	Level A+	Level A++
Star Rating	BEE 3 Star or better	BEE 4 Star or better	BEE 5 Star or better

6.1.3 Minimum ventilation in kitchen, bathroom and lavatories

- 6.1.3.1 Mechanical ventilation must be provided to meet minimum ventilation requirements for kitchen, bathroom and lavatories as per Section §4.3.2 Kitchen and §4.3.3 Bathrooms and Water Closets of IS:3362 – 1977 Code of practice for natural ventilation of residential buildings. For kitchen, bathroom and lavatories up to 12m² in area, provide exhaust fan with minimum power of 25 Watts. For kitchen, bathroom and lavatories exceeding 12m² in area provide demonstrate exhaust rate of 6 air changes per hour.

6.1.4 Design conditions for space conditioning systems

- 6.1.4.1 Space conditioning (cooling and heating) systems, if installed, will be designed to maintain indoor conditions for thermal comfort for the given outdoor conditions.
1. Indoor design conditions: For meeting comfort requirements, the indoor conditions, as per ASHRAE Handbook – Fundamentals Chapter 17, shall be designed for 24°C dry bulb with relative humidity in the range of 50-65% for cooling, and 20°C dry bulb with relative humidity 30% or above for heating. The indoor design conditions shall accommodate recommended ventilation loads outlined in Clause 5.2.2.1, Section 1 - Lighting and Natural Ventilation, Part 8 - Building Services, of National Building Code. Internal loads and occupancy shall be as per design.
 2. Outdoor design conditions: The outdoor design conditions to be considered for the design of space conditioning systems will be for normal comfort conditions as per Clause 5, Section 3 - Air-conditioning Heating and Mechanical Ventilation, Part 8 - Building Services of National Building Code. Outdoor conditions from Table 2 (of Section 3 - Air-conditioning Heating and Mechanical Ventilation, Part 8 - Building Services of National Building Code) will be used for designing cooling for 1% design dry-bulb temperature and mean coincident wet bulb temperature, and heating for 99% design dry-bulb temperature.

6.1.5 Minimum efficiency for mechanical conditioning systems

- 6.1.5.1 If any spaces are mechanically conditioned, the space cooling and/or heating systems must meet either of the following requirements as applicable,
1. If labeled under the Star Rating program of the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), the cooling and/or heating equipment must be BEE 5 star labeled. The following equipment are under labeling currently,
 - a. Unitary, Split, Packaged Air Conditioners (Variable and Fixed Speed)
 - b. Light Commercial Air Conditioners (Fixed Speed)
 - c. Chillers

A BEE 5 star labeled space cooling and/or heating equipment introduced under the labeling scheme in the future will automatically meet compliance with this requirement.
 2. Any space cooling and/or heating system other than the labeled products must meet or exceed minimum efficiency requirements corresponding to **Super ECBC** level, as outlined in Section §5.3 of the latest amendment of ECBC 2017.

6.1.6 Ancillary components/equipment aiding mechanical space conditioning

- 6.1.6.1 Any ancillary components aiding space cooling and/or heating equipment, including but not limited to air-handlers, pumps, cooling towers, etc., as applicable to the design, shall meet efficiency requirements corresponding to **Super ECBC** level, outlined in Section §5.3 of the latest amendment of ECBC 2017.

6.1.7 Low-energy comfort systems for space conditioning

- 6.1.7.1 In case low-energy comfort systems are installed in the project, these systems shall meet or exceed **Super ECBC** requirements outlined in Section §5.3.13 of the latest amendment of ECBC 2017. Section §5.3.13 of the latest amendment of ECBC 2017 identifies approved alternative HVAC systems, **Super ECBC** requirements and documentation requirements.

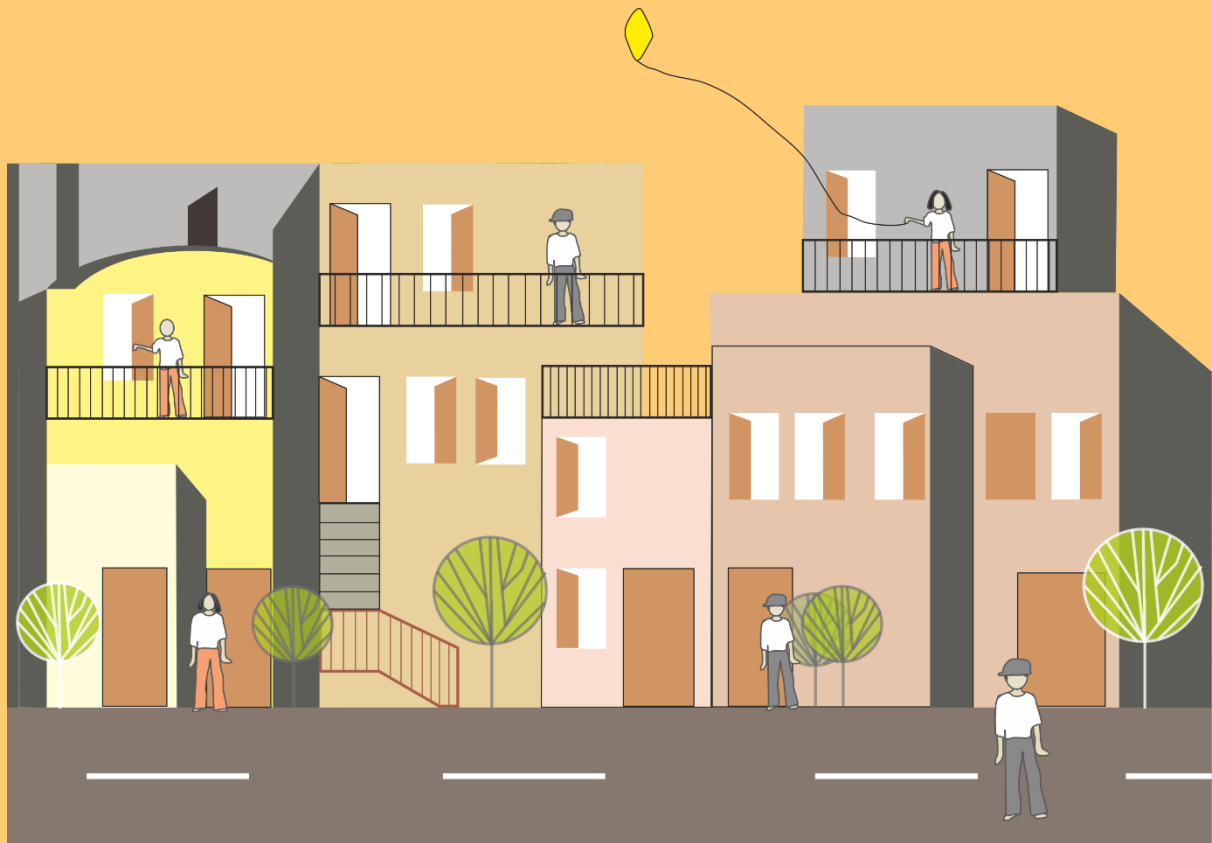
6.1.8 Piping and duct-work

Piping and duct-work for heating, space conditioning and service water heating shall meet the following insulation requirements.

- 6.1.8.1 Piping Insulation. Refer Section §5.2.4.1 – Piping Insulation, of the latest amendment of ECBC 2017 for minimum insulation requirements outlined for **Super ECBC** level.
- 6.1.8.2 Duct-work and plenum insulation. Refer Section §5.2.4.2 – Ductwork and Plenum Insulation, of the latest amendment of ECBC 2017 for minimum insulation requirements outlined for **Super ECBC** level.

7

Lighting Provisions



7 Lighting provisions

7.1 Mandatory requirements

7.1.1 Electric Lighting requirements

Electric lighting must be designed to meet the illumination levels outlined in Table 15. The illumination levels have been referenced from the Part 8 Section 1 of NBC Volume 2 (2016).

Table 15 Illumination levels required for different space types.

Area description	Lux level
Circulation Areas (Lifts, Corridors, Passageways, Stairs)	100
Bathroom/Lavatory	150
Kitchen	500
General lighting	100

7.1.2 Glare from electric lighting

7.1.2.1 Lamps that are installed in the view of the occupant must be shielded to prevent disability glare. Install only shielded fixtures. For general illumination, up-lights and wall-wash lights are recommended.

7.1.3 Colour rendering ability of lamps and light fixtures

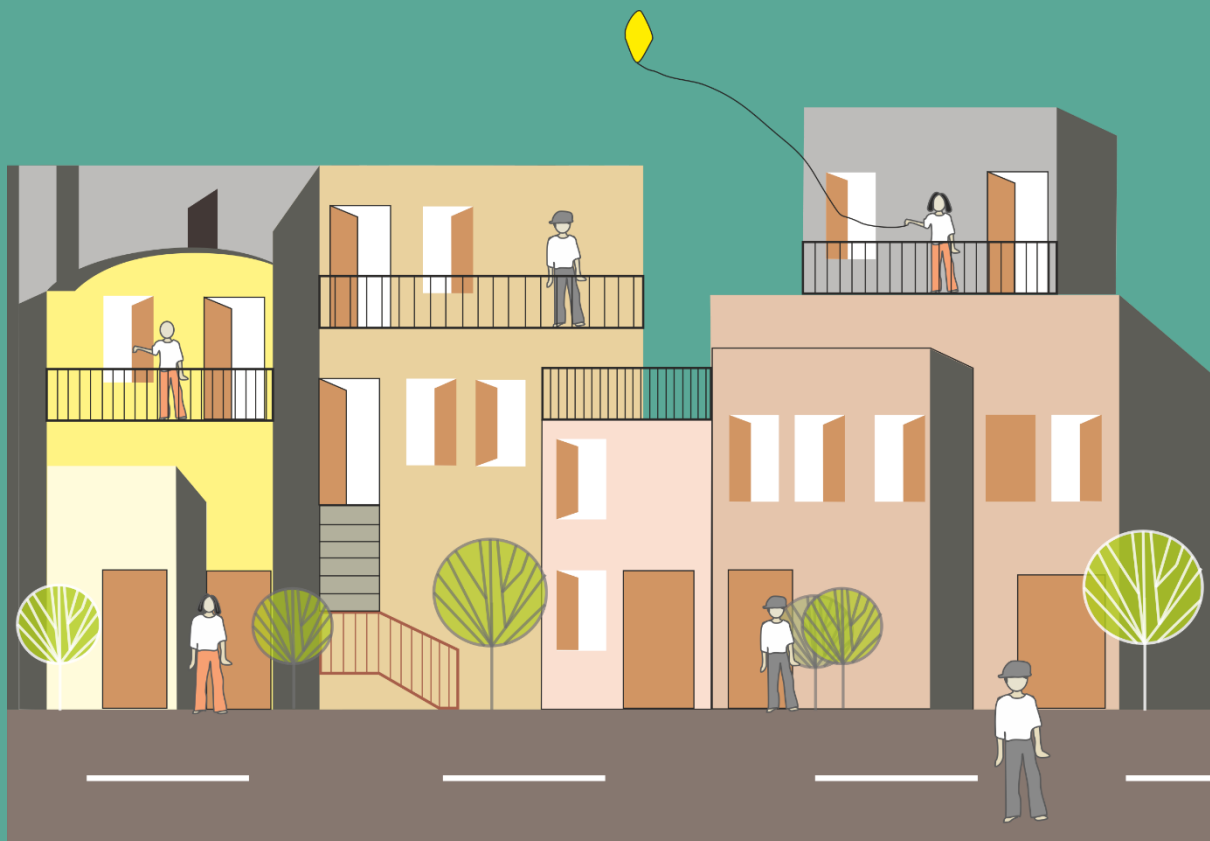
7.1.3.1 All lamps and light fixtures must meet the Colour rendering Index (CRI) requirements corresponding to the level of performance outlined in Table 16. Decorative fixtures are exempt from these requirements.

Table 16 Colour rendering requirements for lamps and light fixtures for Level A, A+ and A++ performance.

	Level A	Level A+	Level A++
Color Rendering Index	≤70	≤80	≤90

8

Large Residential Complexes Special Requirements



8 Other special requirements for large residential complexes

For the purpose of requirements outlined in this section, large residential complexes refers to multi-family housing spread over 1 hectare.

8.1 Mandatory requirements

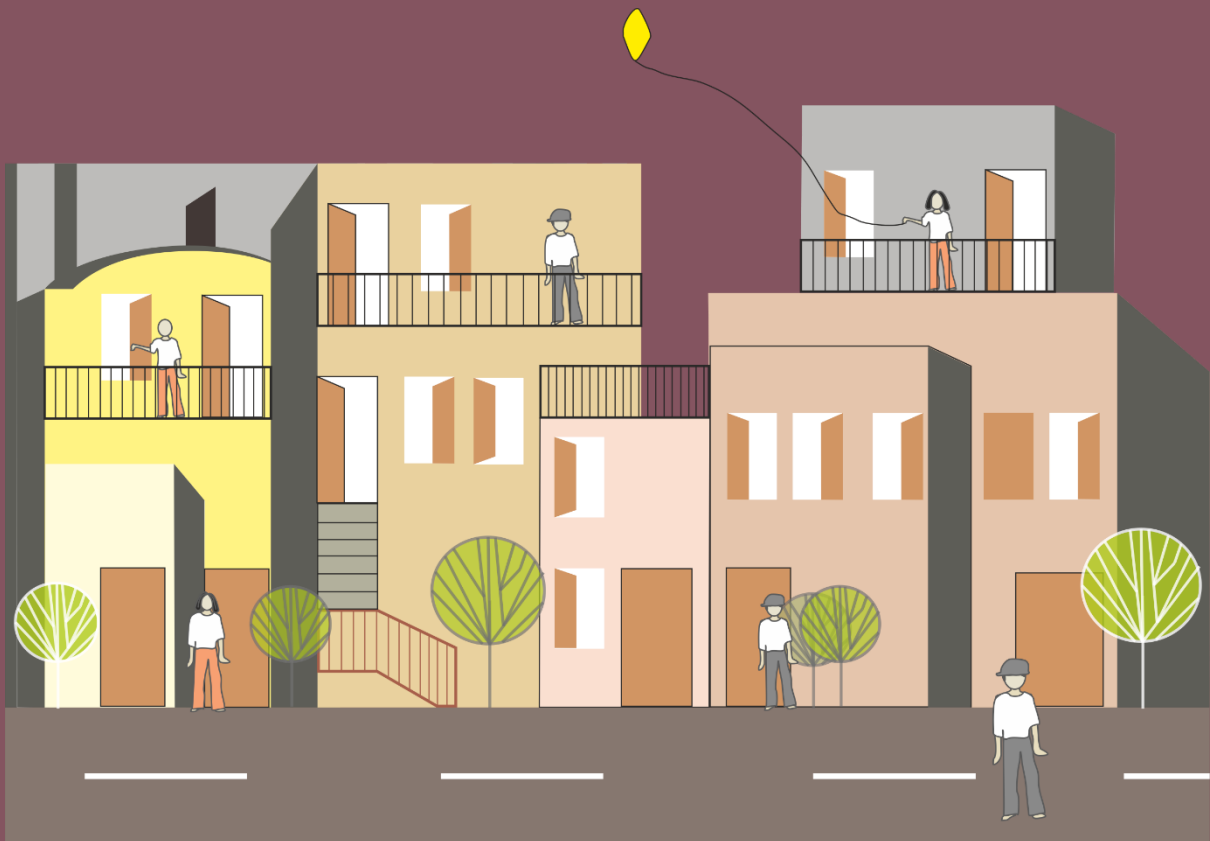
8.1.1 Minimum tree canopy cover for new developments

- 8.1.1.1 A minimum tree canopy cover of 15% of gross site area shall be provided. Tree canopy shall include trees that are evergreen/native species and six feet or greater in height.

8.1.2 Reflective paving and road surfaces

- 8.1.2.1 For all climates except Cold, more than 50% of hard paved exterior surfaces visible to sky (excluding landscape area) must have high reflectance and emittance. For demonstrating compliance, all hard surfaces must demonstrate SRI of 50 or greater. SRI is calculated according to test standard ASTM E1980 for horizontal and low-sloped surfaces.

9 Definitions, Abbreviations & Acronyms



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A

Apartment Houses: These shall include any building or structure in which living quarters are provided for three or more families, living independently of each other and with independent cooking facilities. (National Building Code of India, Vol 1, 2016)

Authority Having Jurisdiction: The authority which has been created by a statute and which, for the purpose of administering the Code/Part, may authorize a committee or an official or an agency to act on its behalf (National Building Code of India, Vol 1, 2016).

Absorptivity (a)

It is a factor indicating the relative amount of radiation absorbed by a surface as compared to an absorbing black body under the same conditions. Its value is dependent upon the temperature of the source as also that of receiving surface (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

Adaptive Model

A model that relates indoor design temperatures or acceptable temperature ranges to outdoor meteorological or climatological parameters (ASHRAE Standard 55, 2017).

Air Change Per Hour (ACH)

The amount of air leakage into or out of a building or room in terms of the number of building volumes or room volumes exchanged (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

B

Building Fabric

It refers to a component of any building, consisting of its roofs, walls, windows, doors etc., but excluding any mechanical system, for controlling the flow of energy between the interior and exterior of the building (Hong Kong Buildings Department, 2014).

C

Carpet Area: The net usable floor area of an apartment, excluding the area covered by the external walls, areas under services shafts, exclusive balcony or verandah area and exclusive open terrace area, but includes the area covered by the internal partition walls of the apartment (MOHUA, 2021).

Comfort Ventilation

The ventilation necessary only during certain weather conditions for the purpose of improving thermal comfort (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

D

Design conditions: Specified indoor environmental conditions, such as temperature, humidity and light intensity, required to be produced and maintained by a system and under which the system must operate.

Dormitory: These shall include any building in which group sleeping accommodation is provided, with or without dining facilities for persons who are not members of the same family, in one room or a series of closely associated rooms under joint occupancy and single management, for example, school and college dormitories, students, and other hostels and military barracks. (National Building Code of India, Vol 1, 2016)

Dry-bulb Temperature: The temperature of the air, read on a thermometer, taken in such a way as to avoid errors due to radiation (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

E

Emissivity: It is the ratio of the heat emitted by a surface as compared to that of an absolutely black surface under similar conditions. It varies with the temperature of the emitting surfaces (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

Exterior open space: d

External movable shades: These are opaque building elements that are permanently mounted on the outside of the building and shade the windows from direct sun. They have movable elements and can be adjusted by building occupants to meet their needs for ventilation, and/or daylight. These may be controlled via manual operation or automated. Shutters, louvers, external blinds, etc. are some types of external movable shades.

F

Fenestration: Fenestration means any glazed aperture in the building envelope (Hong Kong Buildings Department, 2014).

Any opening or arrangement of openings (normally filled with media for control) for the admission of daylight (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

G

Glare: It is the effect of brightness or brightness differences within the visual field which causes annoyance, discomfort or loss of visual performance (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

Glazing: Often used interchangeably with window or glass. The term refers specifically to just the clear material which admits sunlight. And so can also be plastic. Double and triple glazing refer to two or three panes (*Passive Solar Design Strategies: Guidelines for Home Building*, 2009).

H

Habitable Room: A room occupied or designed for occupancy by one or more persons for study, living, sleeping, eating, kitchen if it is used as a living room, but not including bathrooms, water-closet compartments, laundries, serving and store pantries, corridors, cellars, attics, and spaces that are not used frequently or during extended periods (*Model Building Bye-laws*, 2016).

L

Low-emissivity: The term refers to a surface's ability to absorb and re-radiate heat. A material with a low emissivity absorbs and re-radiates relatively small amounts of heat. Low-emissivity or "low-e" glass sandwiches a thin layer of metallic film or coating between two panes of glass. The low-e glass blocks radiant heat, so it will tend to keep heat energy inside the house during the winter. And keep heat energy outside the house during the summer (*Passive Solar Design Strategies: Guidelines for Home Building*, 2009).

M

Mechanical Cooling: Cooling of the indoor environment by mechanical means used to provide cooling of supply air, fan coil units, cooled surfaces etc. (Dodd et al., 2020).

N

Natural Ventilation: Supply of outside air into a building through window or other openings due to wind outside and convection effects arising from temperature or vapour pressure differences (or both) between inside and outside of the building (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

O

One- or two-family private dwellings: These shall include any private dwelling, which is occupied by members of one or two families and has a total sleeping accommodation for not more than 20 persons (National Building Code of India, Vol 1, 2016).

Operative/Resultant Temperature: The average of the mean radiant temperature and the air temperature. This measurement is the best indication of the temperature perceived by an occupant (Mikler et al., 2009).

The uniform temperature of an imaginary black enclosure, and the air within it, in which an occupant would exchange the same amount of heat by radiation plus convection as in the actual nonuniform environment; calculated in accordance with Normative Appendix A of ASHRAE 55 standard (ASHRAE Standard 55, 2017).

P

Passive Solar: Whole building design and construction techniques which help a building make use of solar energy by non-mechanical means. As opposed to active solar techniques which use equipment such as roof-top collectors (*Passive Solar Design Strategies: Guidelines for Home Building*, 2009).

Prevailing mean outdoor temperature: When used as an input variable the adaptive model, this temperature is based on the arithmetic average of the mean daily outdoor temperatures over defined period (say 7 days) (ASHRAE Standard 55, 2017).

R

R-value: It is a unit that measures the resistance to heat flow through a given material. The higher the R-value, the better insulating capability the material has. The R-value is the reciprocal of the U-factor (*Passive Solar Design Strategies: Guidelines for Home Building*, 2009).

Reflectivity (r): It is the ratio of the reflected heat to that of the total heat incident on a surface at a certain mean temperature range (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

S

Shading Coefficient: It is the measure of how much solar heat will be transmitted by a glazing material. as compared to a single pane of clear uncoated glass. which has a shading coefficient (SC) of 1. For example. clear double-pane glass might have an SC in the range of .88. Reflective glass might have SC's of .03 - .06. In general. lower shading coefficients are desirable when heat gain is a problem (*Passive Solar Design Strategies: Guidelines for Home Building*, 2009).

Shade Factor: It is defined as,

$$S = \frac{\text{Instantaneous heat gain through the shading device}}{\text{Instantaneous heat gain through 3.0 mm plain glass sheet}}$$

Shade factor is expressed in percent.

It takes into account the heat gain through glazing, both by direct transmission and air-to-air transfer (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

Surface Coefficient (f): It is the quantity of heat transmitted by convection, conduction and radiation from unit area of the surface when unit difference of temperature is maintained between the surface and the surrounding medium. Its value depends upon many factors, such as orientation or position of the surface, emissivity of the surface, temperature difference and air velocity. It is expressed in W / m² K (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

Surface Resistance (1/f): It is the reciprocal of surface coefficient. It is expressed in m² K / W (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

T

Thermal Comfort: That condition of mind that expresses satisfaction with the thermal environment and is assessed by subjective evaluation (ASHRAE Standard 55, 2017).

Thermal Conductance (U-value): Thermal conductance per unit area is the thermal transmission of a single layer structure per unit area divided by the temperature difference between the hot and cold faces. It is expressed in W / m² K (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

Thermal Capacity (q_{st}): It is the amount of heat that will be absorbed by the material before the 'steady state' condition is reached. It is the product of the mass of the material and specific heat.

$$q_{st} = m \times c$$

where m and c are the mass and specific heat of the material (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

Thermal Conductivity (k): This is the quantity of heat in the 'steady state' conditions flowing the unit time through a unit area of a slab of uniform material of infinite extent and of unit thickness, when unit difference of temperature is established between its faces. Its unit is W / m K.

The thermal conductivity is a characteristic property of a material and its value may vary with a number of factors including density, porosity, moisture content, fibre diameter, pore size, type of gas in the material, mean temperature and outside temperature range (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

Thermal Mass: Material that stores energy. although mass will also retain coolness. The thermal storage capacity of a material is a measure of the material's ability to absorb and store heat. Thermal mass in passive solar buildings is usually dense material such as brick or concrete masonry, but can also be tile, water, phase change materials, etc. (*Passive Solar Design Strategies: Guidelines for Home Building*, 2009).

Thermal Resistance: It is reciprocal of thermal conductance. For a structure having plane parallel faces, thermal resistance is equal to thickness (L) divided by thermal conductivity (K) as given below:

$$R = \frac{L}{K}$$

The unit of thermal resistance is W / m² K. The usefulness of this quantity is that when heat passes in succession through two or more components of the building unit, the resistance may be added together to get the total resistance of the structure (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

Thermal Resistivity: It is the reciprocal of thermal conductivity. It is expressed in m K / W (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

Thermal Transmittance: It is the thermal transmission through unit area of the given building unit divided by the temperature difference between the air or other fluid on either side of the building unit in 'steady state' conditions. It is reciprocal of total thermal resistance. Its unit is W/m²K.

Thermal transmittance differs from 'Thermal conductance' in so far as temperatures are measured on the two surfaces of material or structure in the latter case and in the surrounding air or other fluid in the former. The conductance is a characteristic of the structure whereas the transmittance depends on conductance and surface coefficients of the structure under the conditions of use (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

V

Ventilation: Ventilation-Supply of outside air to the interior for air motion and replacement of vitiated air (SP 41 (1987): Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings), 1987).

W

Window to wall ratio: The ratio of glazed areas to gross wall areas of building envelope of all enclosed spaces of residential units, except for bathrooms and enclosed kitchens (Hong Kong Buildings Department, 2014).

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Appendices



10 Appendices

10.1 Climate Zone map of India and list of major cities mapped to their climate zone.

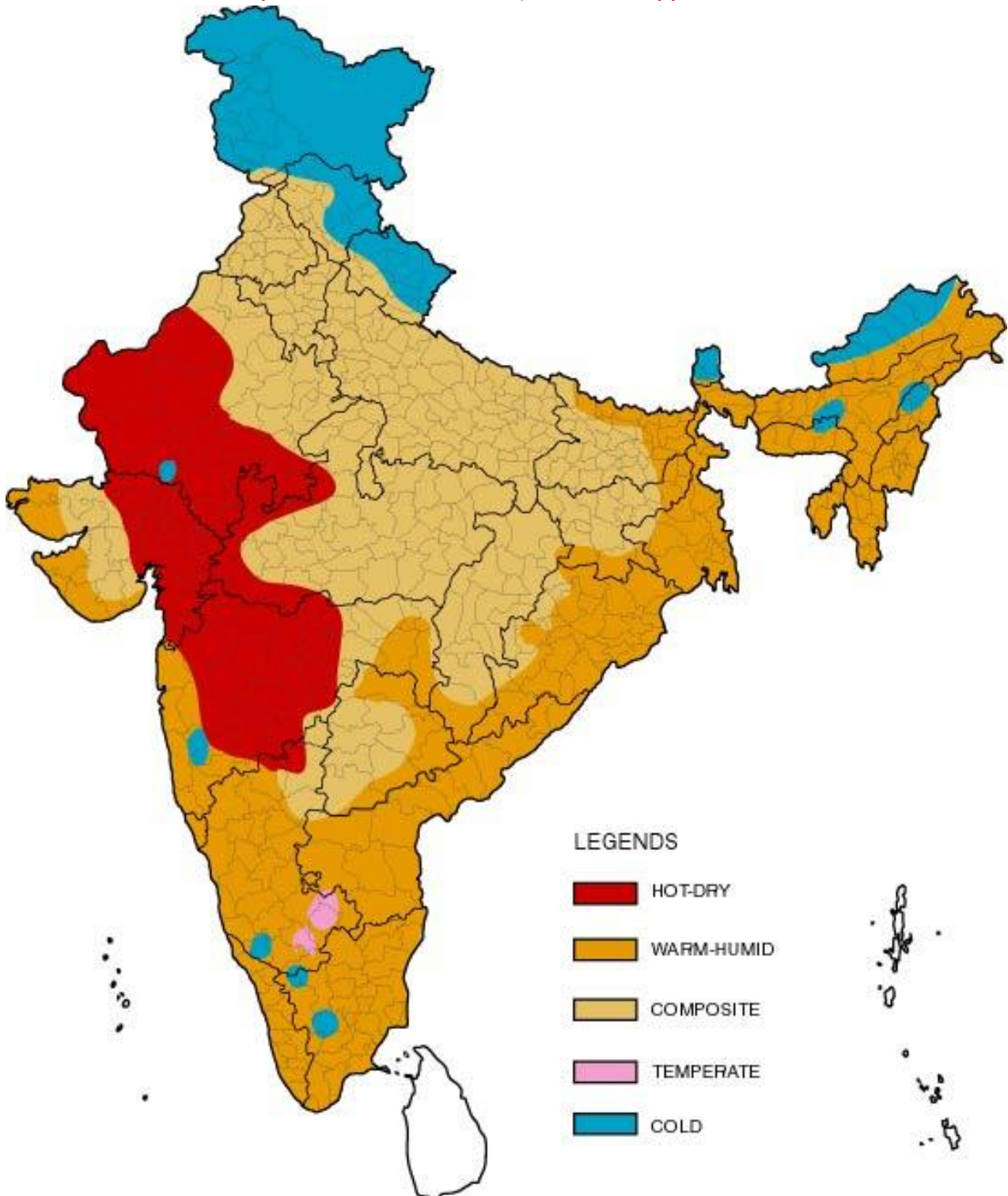


Figure 1 Climate zone map of India. Source: NBC

Table 17 List of major Indian cities mapped to their respective climate zones

City	Climate Type	City	Climate Type
Ahmedabad	Hot & Dry	Kurnool	Warm & Humid
Allahabad	Composite	Leh	Cold
Amritsar	Composite	Lucknow	Composite
Aurangabad	Hot & Dry	Ludhiana	Composite
Bangalore	Temperate	Chennai	Warm & Humid
Barmer	Hot & Dry	Manali	Cold
Belgaum	Warm & Humid	Mangalore	Warm & Humid
Bhagalpur	Warm & Humid	Mumbai	Warm & Humid
Bhopal	Composite	Nagpur	Composite
Bhubaneshwar	Warm & Humid	Nellore	Warm & Humid
Bikaner	Hot & Dry	New Delhi	Composite
Chandigarh	Composite	Panjim	Warm & Humid
Chitradurga	Warm & Humid	Patna	Composite
Dehradun	Composite	Pune	Warm & Humid
Dibrugarh	Warm & Humid	Raipur	Composite
Guwahati	Warm & Humid	Rajkot	Composite
Gorakhpur	Composite	Ramgundam	Warm & Humid
Gwalior	Composite	Ranchi	Composite
Hissar	Composite	Ratnagiri	Warm & Humid
Hyderabad	Composite	Raxaul	Warm & Humid
Imphal	Warm & Humid	Saharanpur	Composite
Indore	Composite	Shillong	Cold
Jabalpur	Composite	Sholapur	Hot & Dry
Jagdelpur	Warm & Humid	Srinagar	Cold
Jaipur	Composite	Sundernagar	Cold
Jaisalmer	Hot & Dry	Surat	Hot & Dry
Jalandhar	Composite	Tezpur	Warm & Humid
Jamnagar	Warm & Humid	Tiruchirappalli	Warm & Humid
Jodhpur	Hot & Dry	Trivandrum	Warm & Humid
Jorhat	Warm & Humid	Tuticorin	Warm & Humid
Kochi	Warm & Humid	Udhagamandalam	Cold
Kolkata	Warm & Humid	Vadodara	Hot & Dry
Kota	Hot & Dry	Veraval	Warm & Humid
Kullu	Cold	Vishakhapatnam	Warm & Humid

10.2 Default values for typical construction

10.2.1 Opaque assemblies

Table 18 Default thermal specifications for a list of typical materials

Material	Conductivity (W/mK)	Sp Heat (J/kgK)	Density (kg/m ³)	Source
Solid burnt clay brick	0.98	800	1920	(1)
AC sheet	0.245		1520	(2)
Aerated autoclaved concrete (AAC) block	0.184	1240	642	(2)
Brick tile	0.798	880	1892	(2)
Cellular concrete	0.188	1050	704	(2)
Cement mortar	0.719	200	1648	(2)
Cement plaster	0.721	840	1762	(2)
Cement stabilized soil block (CSEB) - High density	1.303	1030	1900	(2)
Cement stabilized soil block (CSEB) - Low density	1.026	1070	1700	(2)
Cement stabilized soil block (CSEB) - Med density	1.201	1070	1800	(2)
Dense Concrete	1.74	880	2410	(2)
Fired Clay Brick (Hi Den)	1.119	955.2	2028	(3)
Fired Clay Brick (Low Den)	0.3757	927.8	1264	(3)
Fly ash brick	0.856	920	1650	(2)
GI sheet	61.06	840	7520	(2)
Glass	0.814	960	2350	(2)
Gypsum plaster	0.512	1050	1120	(2)
Lime concrete	0.73	1760	1646	(2)
Mud <i>phuska</i>	0.519	880	1622	(2)
NA				(2)
Plywood	0.174	1340	640	(2)
Reinforced cement concrete (RCC)	1.58	750	2288	(2)
Resource efficient (hollow) brick	0.631	750	1520	(2)
Solid concrete block 25/50	1.396	920	2427	(2)
Solid concrete block 30/60	1.411	920	2349	(2)
Timber	0.072	960	480	(2)
Timber	0.144	960	720	(2)
Extruded Polystyrene (XPS)	0.028	1213	35	(1)
Expanded Polystyrene (EPS)	0.038	1213	28	(1)
Polyurethane foam (PUF)	0.026	1590	40	(1)
Reinforced cement concrete (RCC) - Wall	1.58	920	2288	(2)
Polyurethane foam (PUF) - Roof	0.026	1590	40	(1)
Sandstone	1.83	840	2420	

- (1) ASHRAE Handbook of Fundamentals, 2009 (ASHRAE)
- (2) Special Publication 41: Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings) (S & T), 1987 (BIS)
- (3) Advancing Building Energy Efficiency in India, Thermal Performance of Walling Material and Wall Technology, Part 1: National Database of Thermophysical Properties of Walling Materials, 2021 (SSEF)

10.2.2 Convective heat transfer coefficient of air film

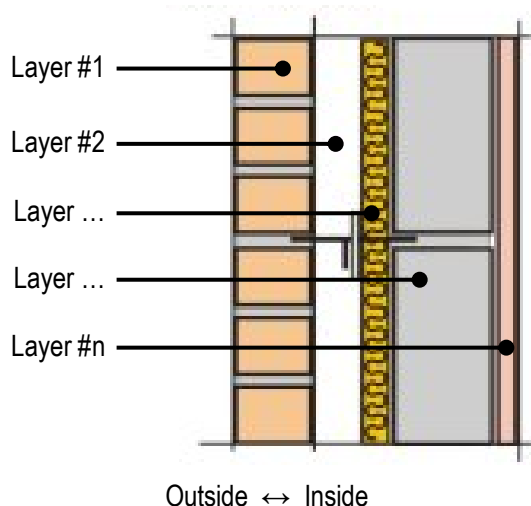
The air-film along the wall and roof on bot interior and exterior surfaces has an impact on the overall thermal conductance of the construction assembly. Default values of convective heat transfer coefficient of air film are compiled in Table 19. Please refer Section §10.2.3 on how to use these values for calculating overall U-factor.

Table 19 Default values of convective heat transfer coefficient of air film (Adapted from Energy Conservation Building Code User Guide (BEE, 2009)

	Wall	Roof	
	All climate zones	Composite, Hot-dry, Warm-humid and Temperate climate	Cold climate
$1/h_{out}$	0.04	0.04	0.04
$1/h_{in}$	0.13	0.17	0.10

10.2.3 Calculating U-factor

For a typical opaque construction assembly, i.e. wall or roof, typical construction assembly will be compiled layer by layer and the following equation will be applied for calculating overall U-factor of the compiled assembly. Layer by layer material specifications may be compiled from the list of materials in Table 18.



Layer #	Thickness	Conductivity	Resistance
Layer 1	l_1	k_1	l_1/k_1
Layer 2	l_2	k_2	l_2/k_2
...			
Layer n	l_n	k_n	l_n/k_n

$$R = \frac{1}{h_{out}} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{l_i}{k_i} + \frac{1}{h_{in}}$$

$$U = \frac{1}{R}$$

Figure 2 A schematic section of multi-layer opaque construction assembly.

A list of typical wall and roof assemblies along with their default characteristics has been compiled here for ready reference in Table 20 and Table 21.

Table 20 Typical wall assemblies

Assembly description	Assembly thickness (m)	Assembly U-value (W/m ² .K)	Assembly Density (kg/m ³)	Assembly Specific heat (J/kg.K)	CR Value (Hours)	Thermal Time Constant
Solid Burnt Brick – Clay (230mm) plastered on both sides	0.26	2.35	1,902	804	47	19
Fly-ash Brick (230mm) with PUF (25mm) outside and plastered on both sides	0.29	0.70	1,525	918	161	122
Fly-ash Brick (230mm) with PUF (50mm) outside and plastered on both sides	0.32	0.42	1,407	920	271	223
Fly-ash Brick (230mm) with XPS (25mm) outside and plastered on both sides	0.29	0.74	1,520	920	150	114
Fly-ash Brick (230mm) with XPS (50mm) outside and plastered on both sides	0.32	0.44	1,406	921	255	208

Table 21 Typical roof assemblies [Table to be updated]

Assembly description	Assembly thickness (m)	Assembly U-value (W/m ² .K)	Assembly Density (kg/m ³)	Assembly Specific heat (J/kg.K)	CR Value (Hours)	Thermal Time Constant
RCC Slab (150mm) topped with Foam Concrete (75mm) and finished with White China Mosaic	0.28	0.73	1,665	881	154	111
RCC Slab (150mm) topped with Foam Concrete (150mm) and finished with White China Mosaic	0.35	0.41	1,379	882	290	216
RCC Slab (150mm) with over-deck insulation (XPS-50mm) protected by screed (50mm) and finished with White China Mosaic	0.30	0.45	1,652	875	267	184
RCC Slab (150mm) with over-deck insulation (XPS-75mm) protected by Foam Concrete (150mm) and finished with White China Mosaic	0.23	0.23	1,252	883	509	386

10.3 Roof assembly bundles

10.3.1 Insulated (under-deck) slab

Surface type: External, Flat-roof slab

Layer order: Outside to inside.

1. Finishing surface (tiles, stone, etc.) applied over cement mortar
2. Plain Cement Concrete (PCC) screed laid to slope
3. Water proofing layer
4. Reinforced Cement Concrete (RCC) slab (as/structural design) thoroughly cleaned of all dust, dirt and loose particles with wire brush
5. Rigid insulation board applied with adhesive, held in place with screws and joints sealed with tape.
6. Internal plaster applied over reinforcing mesh

Key material specifications:

Item	Specifications	
Rigid insulation board	Type	Extruded polystyrene (XPS)
	Density	34-36 kg/m ³
	Conductivity	0.029 W/mK
	Thickness	Refer 'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in Table 10, Table 11 and Table 12 Error! Reference source not found.
Interior paint finish	Description	Light coloured paint

Construction detail

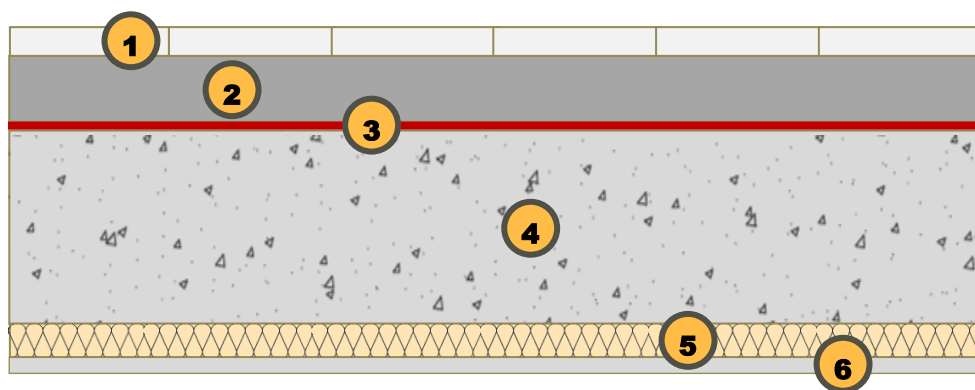


Figure 3 Construction detail for insulated (rigid insulation board – extruded polystyrene) slab - under deck

10.3.2 RCC slab with foam concrete and under-deck insulation

Surface type: External, Flat-roof slab

Layer order: Outside to inside.

1. Finishing surface (tiles, stone, etc.) applied over cement mortar
2. Plain Cement Concrete (PCC) screed laid to slope
3. Foam concrete
4. Waterproofing layer
5. Reinforced Cement Concrete (RCC) slab (as/structural design)
6. Rigid insulation board applied with adhesive, held in place with screws and joints sealed with tape.
7. Internal plaster

Key material specifications:

Item	Specifications	
Foam concrete	Type	Foam concrete
	Density	320 kg/m ³
	Conductivity	0.07 W/mK
	Thickness	Refer 'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in Table 10, Table 11 and Table 12 Error! Reference source not found.
Rigid insulation board	Type	Extruded Polystyrene (XPS)
	Density	34-36 kg/m ³
	Conductivity	0.029 W/mK
	Thickness	Refer 'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in Table 10 to Error! Reference source not found.
Interior paint finish	Description	Light coloured paint

Construction detail

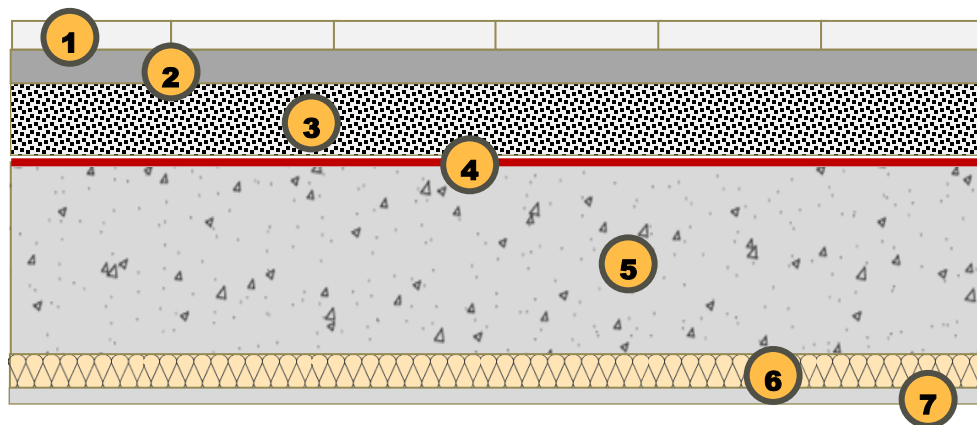


Figure 4 Construction detail for roof assembly: RCC slab with foam concrete insulation

10.3.3 Insulated (rigid insulation board – extruded polystyrene or polyurethane foam) slab - over deck

Surface type: External, Flat-roof slab

Layer order: Outside to inside.

1. Broken china mosaic (white tiles grouted with white cement) applied on cement mortar
2. Water proofing layer
3. Cement screed with welded mesh
4. Polythene sheet/Geo-textile membrane
5. Rigid insulation board applied with water-based adhesive
6. Brick-batts/Plain Cement Concrete (PCC) laid to slope
7. Reinforced Cement Concrete (RCC) slab (as/structural design)
8. Internal plaster

Key material specifications:

Items	Specifications
Broken china mosaic (white) tiles	White ceramic tiles of 6-8 mm thickness broken into small pieces (10-20mm) and applied over 20-25mm cement mortar (Cement: Sand = 1: 4). Broken tiles should be spaced such that gap between tiles should be less than 10mm. The joints between tiles must be filled with white cement slurry and finished flush with the tile surface. White tiles may be sourced as construction waste. Alternately, white tiles may be applied without breaking.
Rigid insulation board	Type Extruded Polystyrene (XPS)
	Density 34-36 kg/m ³
	Conductivity 0.029 W/mK
	Thickness Refer 'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in Table 10, Table 11 and Table 12 Error! Reference source not found.
Interior paint finish	Description Light coloured paint

Construction detail

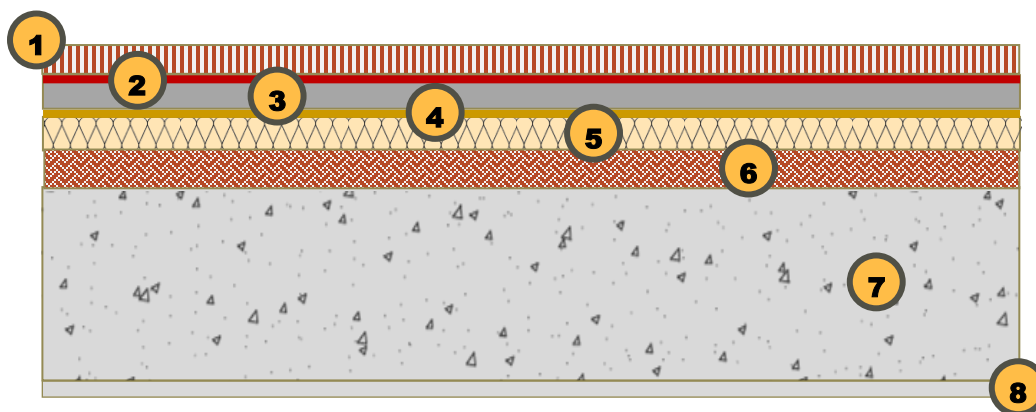


Figure 5 Construction detail for insulated (rigid insulation board – extruded polystyrene) slab - over deck

10.3.4 RCC slab with foam concrete insulation

Surface type: External, Flat-roof slab

Layer order: Outside to inside.

- 1. Broken china mosaic (white tiles grouted with white cement) applied on cement mortar
- 2. Plain Cement Concrete (PCC) screed laid to slope
- 3. Foam concrete
- 4. Waterproofing layer
- 5. Reinforced Cement Concrete (RCC) slab (as/structural design)
- 6. Internal plaster

Key material specifications:

Item	Specifications
Broken china mosaic (white) tiles:	White ceramic tiles of 6-8 mm thickness broken into small pieces (10-20mm) and applied over 20-25mm cement mortar (Cement: Sand = 1: 4). Broken tiles should be spaced such that gap between tiles should be less than 10mm. The joints between tiles must be filled with white cement slurry and finished flush with the tile surface. White tiles may be sourced as construction waste. Alternately, white tiles may be applied without breaking.
Foam concrete	Type Density Conductivity Thickness
	Foam concrete 320 kg/m³ 0.07 W/mK Refer 'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in Table 10, Table 11 and Table 12Error! Reference source not found.
Interior paint finish	Description
	Light coloured paint

Construction detail

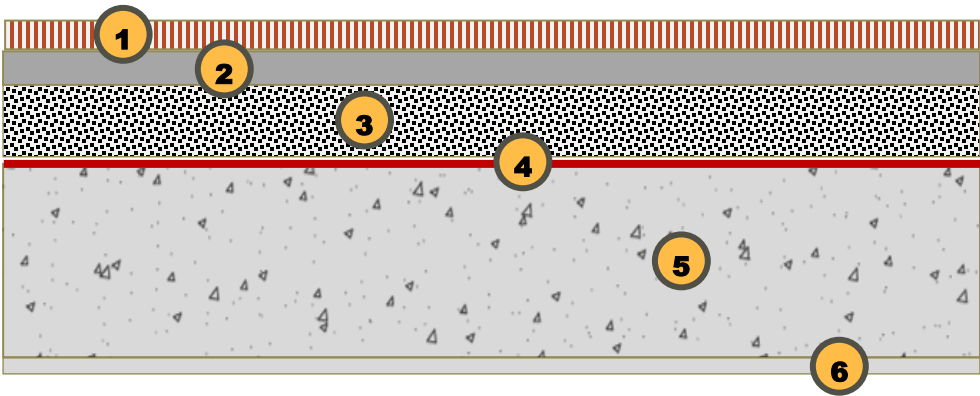


Figure 6 Construction detail for roof assembly: RCC slab with foam concrete insulation

10.4 Wall assembly bundles

10.4.1 AAC block-work

Surface type: External, wall assembly

Layer order: Outside to inside.

- 1. Exterior paint
- 2. External cement plaster (GI chicken wire mesh over block-work and structure joints)
- 3. AAC block work
- 4. Internal cement plaster
- 5. Interior paint

Key material specifications:

Item	Specifications	
AAC block work	Type	Autoclave Aerated Concrete Block (AAC)
	Density	Less than 700 kg/m³
	Conductivity	0.018 W/mK
	Thickness	Refer 'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in Table 10, Table 11 and Table 12Error! Reference source not found.
Exterior paint finish	Description	Light color paint (Demonstrate compliance with Section §5.1.8)
Interior paint finish	Description	Light coloured paint

Construction detail

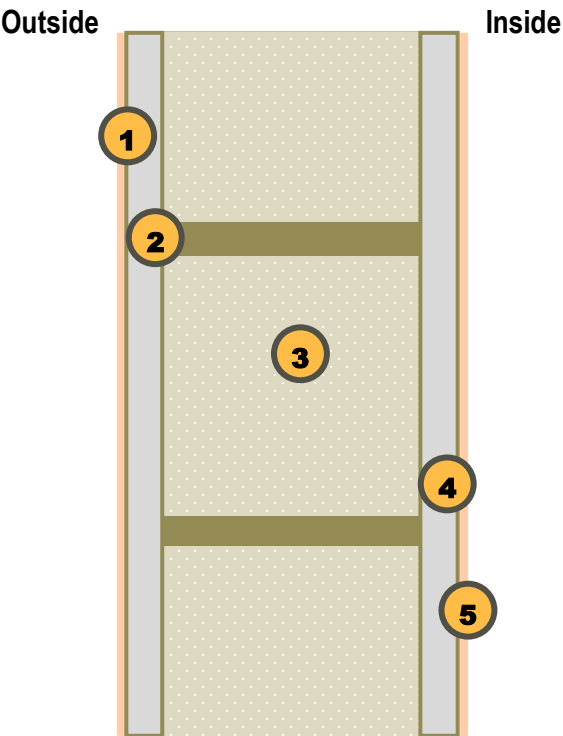


Figure 7 Construction detail for wall assembly: AAC block

10.4.2 AAC block-work with internal insulation

Surface type: External, wall assembly with internal insulation

Layer order: Outside to inside.

1. Exterior finish (as/design)
2. External cement plaster (GI chicken wire mesh over block-work and structure joints)
3. AAC block work
4. Rigid insulation board applied with water based adhesive and held in place with PVC fasteners
5. Vapour barrier (polythene sheet or any other suitable material)
6. Gypsum plasterboard
7. Interior paint

Key material specifications:

Item	Specifications	
Rigid insulation board	Type	Extruded Poly-styrene (XPS) or Polyurethane Foam (PUF)
	Density	34-36 kg/m ³ (XPS) or 38-42 kg/m ³ (PUF)
	Conductivity	0.029 W/mK (XPS) or 0.026 W/mK (PUF)
	Thickness	Refer 'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in Table 10, Table 11 and Table 12 Error! Reference source not found.
AAC block work	Type	Autoclave Aerated Concrete Block (AAC)
	Density	Less than 700 kg/m ³
	Conductivity	0.018 W/mK
	Thickness	150 mm
Internal paint finish	Description	Light coloured paint

Construction detail

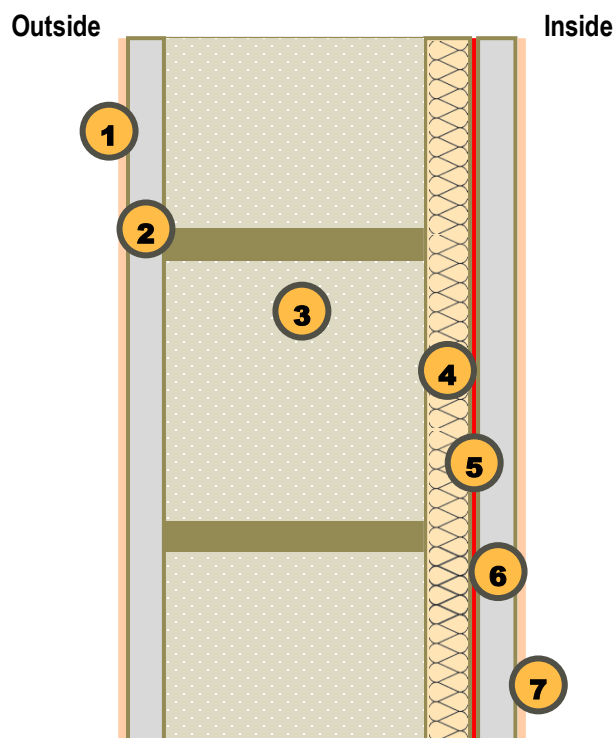


Figure 8 Construction detail for wall assembly: AAC block with rigid board insulation on the inside

10.4.3 AAC block-work with external insulation

Surface type: External, wall assembly with external insulation

Layer order: Outside to inside.

1. Exterior paint
2. Cement plaster/base coat (over reinforcing mesh)
3. Rigid insulation board applied with water based adhesive and held in place with PVC fasteners
4. AAC block work
5. Internal plaster (GI chicken wire mesh over block-work and structure joints)
6. Interior paint

Key material specifications:

Item	Specifications
Rigid insulation board	Type Extruded Poly-styrene (XPS) or Polyurethane Foam (PUF)
	Density 34-36 kg/m ³ (XPS) or 38-42 kg/m ³ (PUF)
	Conductivity 0.029 W/mK (XPS) or 0.026 W/mK (PUF)
	Thickness Refer 'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in Table 10, Table 11 and Table 12 Error! Reference source not found.
AAC block work	Type Autoclave Aerated Concrete Block (AAC)
	Density Less than 700 kg/m ³
	Conductivity 0.018 W/mK
	Thickness Refer 'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in Table 9Table 10 to Error! Reference source not found.
Exterior paint finish	Description Light coloured paint (Demonstrate compliance with Section §5.1.8).
Interior paint finish	Description Light coloured paint

Construction detail

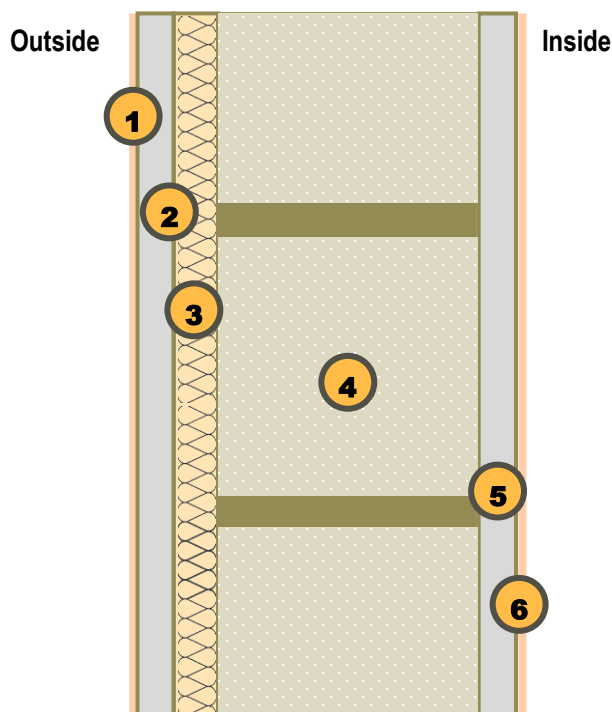


Figure 9 Construction detail for wall assembly: AAC block with external insulation

10.4.4 Fly-ash block-work with internal insulation

Surface type: External, wall assembly with internal insulation

Layer order: Outside to inside.

1. Exterior paint
2. External cement plaster
3. Fly-ash block-work
4. Rigid insulation board applied with water based adhesive and held in place with PVC fasteners
5. Vapour barrier (polythene sheet or any other suitable material)
6. Gypsum plasterboard
7. Interior paint

Key material specifications:

Item	Specifications	
Rigid insulation board	Type	Extruded Poly-styrene (XPS) or Polyurethane Foam (PUF)
	Density	34-36 kg/m ³ (XPS) or 38-42 kg/m ³ (PUF)
	Conductivity	0.029 W/mK (XPS) or 0.026 W/mK (PUF)
	Thickness	Refer 'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in Table 10 to Table 12
Fly-ash block work	Type	Fly ash brick
	Density	1,650 kg/m ³
	Conductivity	0.856 W/mK
	Thickness	230 mm
Exterior paint finish	Description	Sun-facing external wall may be painted with dark colour.
Interior paint finish	Description	Light coloured paint

Construction detail

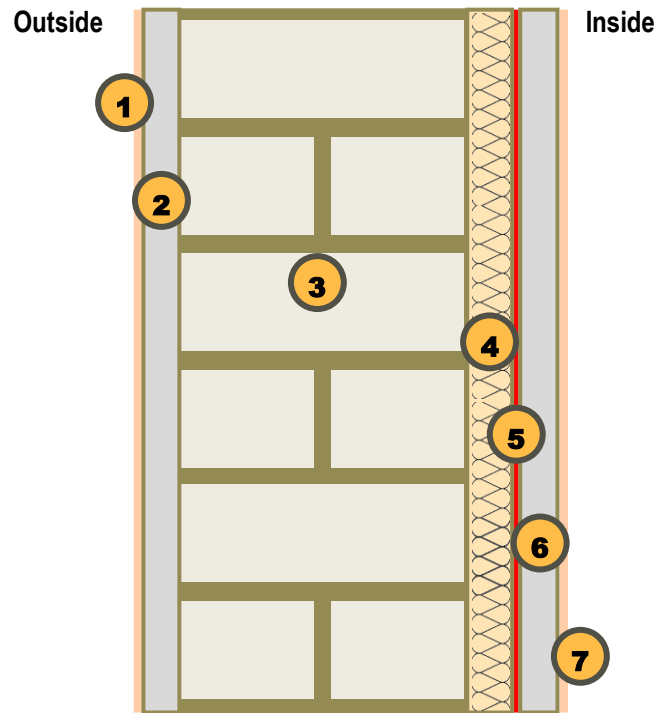


Figure 10 Construction detail for wall assembly: Fly-ash block with internal insulation

10.4.5 Fly-ash block-work with external insulation

Surface type: External, wall assembly with external insulation

Layer order: Outside to inside.

1. Exterior paint
2. Cement plaster/base Coat (over reinforcing mesh)
3. Rigid insulation board applied with adhesive and held in place with PVC fasteners
4. Cement plaster (for smooth finish to aid adhesion with rigid insulation board)
5. Fly-ash block work
6. Internal plaster
7. Interior paint

Key material specifications:

Item	Specifications	
Rigid insulation board	Type	Extruded Poly-styrene (XPS) or Polyurethane Foam (PUF)
	Density	34-36 kg/m ³ (XPS) or 38-42 kg/m ³ (PUF)
	Conductivity	0.029 W/mK (XPS) or 0.026 W/mK (PUF)
	Thickness	'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in Table 10 to Table 12 Error! Reference source not found.
Fly-ash block work	Type	Fly ash brick
	Density	1,650 kg/m ³
	Conductivity	0.856 W/mK
	Thickness	Refer 'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in
Exterior paint finish	Description	Light coloured paint (Demonstrate compliance with Section §5.1.8)
Interior paint finish	Description	Light coloured paint

Construction detail

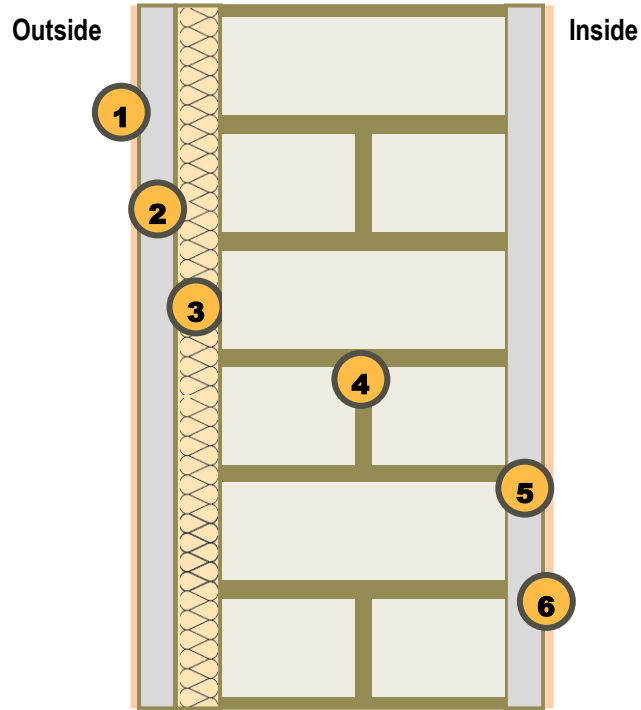


Figure 11 Construction detail for wall assembly: Fly-ash block with external insulation

10.4.6 Solid concrete block with internal insulation

Surface type: External, wall assembly with internal insulation

Layer order: Outside to inside.

1. Exterior paint
2. External cement plaster
3. Solid Concrete Block
4. Rigid insulation board applied with water based adhesive and held in place with PVC fasteners
5. Vapour barrier (polythene sheet or any other suitable material)
6. Gypsum plasterboard
7. Interior paint

Key material specifications:

<i>Item</i>	<i>Specifications</i>
Rigid insulation board	Type Extruded Poly-styrene (XPS) or Polyurethane Foam (PUF)
	Density 34-36 kg/m ³ (XPS) or 38-42 kg/m ³ (PUF)
	Conductivity 0.029 W/mK (XPS) or 0.026 W/mK (PUF)
	Thickness Refer 'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in Table 10 to Table 12 Error! Reference source not found.
Solid Concrete block	Type Solid Concrete Block
	Density 2,350 kg/m ³
	Conductivity 1.411 W/mK
	Thickness 200 mm
Exterior paint finish	Description Sun-facing external wall may be painted with dark colour.
Interior paint finish	Description Light coloured paint

Construction detail

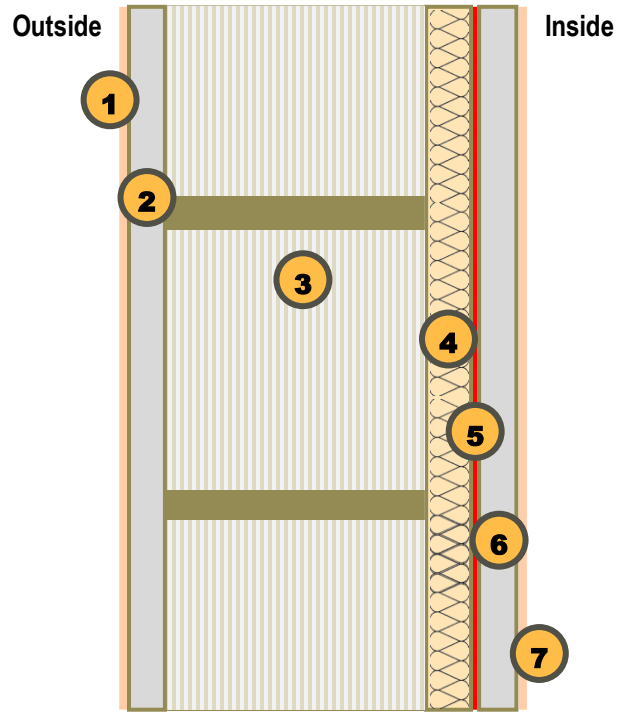


Figure 12 Construction detail for wall assembly: Solid concrete block with internal insulation

10.4.7 Solid concrete block with external insulation

Surface type: External, wall assembly with external insulation

Layer order: Outside to inside.

1. Exterior paint
2. Cement plaster/base coat (over reinforcing mesh)
3. Rigid insulation board applied with water based adhesive and held in place with PVC fasteners
4. Solid concrete block work
5. Internal plaster
6. Interior paint

Key material specifications:

Item	Specifications	
Rigid insulation board	Type	Extruded Poly-styrene (XPS) or Polyurethane Foam (PUF)
	Density	34-36 kg/m ³ (XPS) or 38-42 kg/m ³ (PUF)
	Conductivity	0.029 W/mK (XPS) or 0.026 W/mK (PUF)
	Thickness	Refer 'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in Table 10, Table 11 and Table 12 Error! Reference source not found.
Solid Concrete block	Type	Solid Concrete Block
	Density	2,350 kg/m ³
	Conductivity	1.411 W/mK
	Thickness	200 mm
Exterior paint finish	Description	Light coloured paint (Demonstrate compliance with Section §5.1.8)
Interior paint finish	Description	Light coloured paint

Construction detail

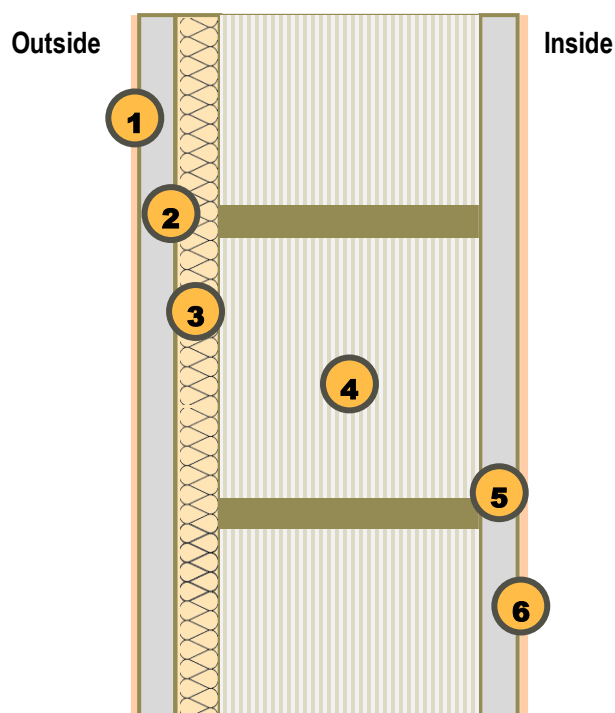


Figure 13 Construction detail for wall assembly: Solid concrete block with external insulation

10.4.8 AAC block-work and fly-ash composite assembly

Surface type: External, wall assembly

Layer order: Outside to inside.

1. Exterior paint
2. External cement plaster (GI chicken wire mesh over block-work and structure joints)
3. AAC block work
4. Fly-ash block work
5. Internal cement plaster
6. Interior paint

Key material specifications:

Item	Specifications	
Exterior paint finish	Description	Light color paint (Demonstrate compliance with Section §5.1.8)
	AAC block work	Type Autoclave Aerated Concrete Block (AAC)
	Density	Less than 700 kg/m ³
	Conductivity	0.018 W/mK
	Thickness	Refer 'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in Table 10 to Table 12
Fly-ash block work	Type	Fly ash brick
	Density	1,650 kg/m ³
	Conductivity	0.856 W/mK
	Thickness	Refer 'Key Specifications', as applicable, outlined in
Interior paint finish	Description	Light coloured paint

Construction detail

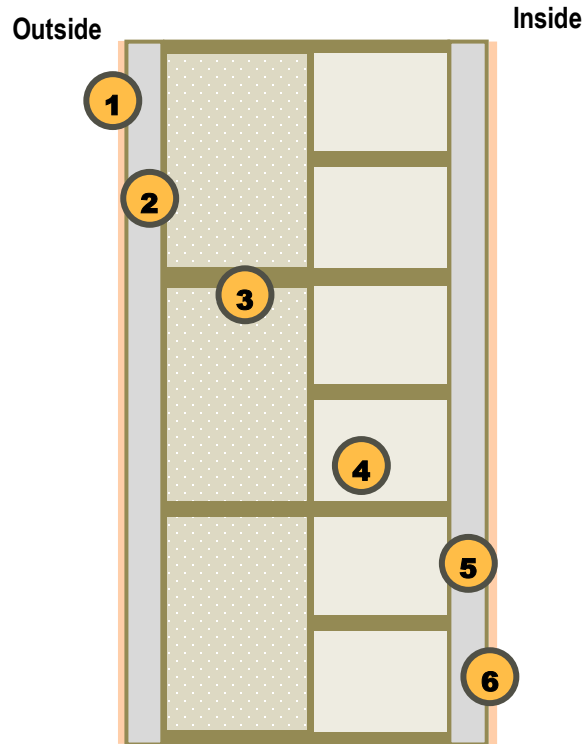


Figure 14 Construction detail for wall assembly: AAC block

10.5 Compliance forms

10.5.1 General information

Application Information	
Applicant Name and Address	
Application Date	
Authority Having Jurisdiction	
Receiving Officer	
Application Number	

Project Information					
Project Address					
Project Built-up Area [m ²]					
Project Above-grade Area [m ²]					
Project Conditioned Area [m ²]					
Building Typology <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Large Scale Residential	<input type="checkbox"/> Multi-family	<input type="checkbox"/> Single-family		
Project Classification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> New Building	<input type="checkbox"/> Addition/Alteration	<input type="checkbox"/> Retrofit		
Compliance level sought <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> A	<input type="checkbox"/> A+	<input type="checkbox"/> A++		
Compliance approach <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Prescriptive	<input type="checkbox"/> Bundle	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Applicant Name and Address	For Building Department Use				
Project Climate Zone	For Building Department Use				
Annexures Attached					

10.5.2 Building envelope forms

Building Envelope									
Opaque Assembly (Wall) [Repeat for types]	5.2.1/5.3	Description	Bundle description or description of actual assembly used			U-factor (Not required for Bundle Approach)		W/m ² K	
	5.1.8	<input type="checkbox"/> Emittance	Reflectance		<input type="checkbox"/> SRI				
	Remarks	State briefly in case any exceptions apply.							
	Schedule	[Yes/No] Exposed wall area schedule by orientation							
Opaque Assembly (Roof) [Repeat for types]	5.2.2/5.3	Description	Bundle description or description of actual assembly used			U-factor (Not required for Bundle Approach)		W/m ² K	
	5.1.8	<input type="checkbox"/> Emittance	Reflectance		<input type="checkbox"/> SRI				
	Remarks	State briefly in case any exceptions apply.							
	Schedule	[Yes/No] Exposed roof area schedule							
Fenestration [Repeat for types]	5.1.2.2/5.2.3	Frame		SHGC		VLT		U-factor	W/m ² K
	Schedule	[Yes/No] Window schedule outlining window type (fixed operable), external movable shade, fixed shade and projection factor, and type (window/ventilator)							
Area Ratios (5.1.3.3)									

Window Area to Exposed Wall Area Ratio (by surface)	
Window Area to Carpet Area Ratio	
Operable Window Area to Carpet Area Ratio	

Building Envelope (Continued)			
Mandatory Provisions			
Section	Item		Declaration
5.1.1	Opaque assemblies	Tested in accordance with referenced standards	[Yes/No]
5.1.2	Fenestration	Tested in accordance with referenced standards	[Yes/No]
5.1.3	Accessible windows – habitable spaces	At least one accessible window opening outside	[Yes/No]
		Meets/exceeds minimum openable window area to floor area ratio	[Yes/No]
		Does not exceed maximum window area to floor area ratio	[Yes/No]
		Does not exceed maximum window area to wall area ratio for any given exposed wall	[Yes/No]
		Does not exceed maximum stipulated cill height	[Yes/No]
		Meets/exceeds minimum visible light transmittance of windows	[Yes/No]
5.1.4	Accessible windows – Kitchen, bath, WC	Meets/exceeds minimum openable window area after provision for exhaust fan.	[Yes/No]
		At least one accessible window opening outside	[Yes/No]
5.1.5	Building envelope sealing	Wherever applicable, building envelope is sealed, caulked, and/or weather-stripped:	[Yes/No]
5.1.6	Window shading	Meets/exceeds minimum window shading requirements	[Yes/No]
	Window shading	All windows in habitable rooms are provided with external movable shades	[Yes/No]
5.1.7	Cool roofs	All roof surfaces are highly reflective and emitting.	[Yes/No]
5.1.8	Cool walls	All wall surfaces are highly reflective and emitting.	[Yes/No]

Building Envelope (Continued)										
Compliance Approach										
<input type="checkbox"/> Prescriptive		<input type="checkbox"/> Bundle				<input type="checkbox"/>				
Prescriptive Approach										
5.2.1	Thermal properties of Wall assembly [Repeat for types]									
	Description									
	Assembly Density	<input type="checkbox"/>	$\leq 800 \text{ Kg/m}^3$ Light-weight assembly				<input type="checkbox"/>	$> 800 \text{ Kg/m}^3$ Medium/Heavy-weight assembly		
	Desired level of compliance	<input type="checkbox"/>	A		<input type="checkbox"/>	A+		<input type="checkbox"/>	A++	
	Assembly U-factor [W/m ² K]					Assembly Density [kg/m ³]				
	Assembly schedule	[Yes/No/Not Applicable] Assembly schedule outlining layer-wise (outside to inside), material density, conductivity and thickness. Include section details.								
5.2.2	Thermal properties of Roof assembly [Repeat for types]									
	Description									
	Desired level of compliance	<input type="checkbox"/>	A		<input type="checkbox"/>	A+		<input type="checkbox"/>	A++	
	Assembly U-factor [W/m ² K]					Assembly Density [kg/m ³]				
	Assembly schedule	[Yes/No/Not Applicable] Assembly schedule outlining layer-wise (outside to inside), material density, conductivity and thickness. Include section details.								
5.2.3	Thermal properties of Glazing assembly [Repeat for types]									
	Description									
	Desired level of compliance	<input type="checkbox"/>	A		<input type="checkbox"/>	A+		<input type="checkbox"/>	A++	
	Glazing U-factor [W/m ² K]					SHGC				
	Assembly schedule	[Yes/No/Not Applicable] Window schedule.								
Bundle Approach										
5.3	Thermal properties of Wall assembly [Repeat for types]									
	Report bundle description along with construction details indicating thickness of key materials									
5.3	Thermal properties of Roof assembly [Repeat for types]									
	Report bundle description along with construction details indicating thickness of key materials									

10.5.3 Low-energy systems forms

Low-energy Systems						
Equipment Schedule - Fans						
	Item	Specification				Quantity
1	Ceiling Fan [Repeat for types]	BEE Star Label		Sweep (in mm)		
2	Wall/Table Fan [Repeat for types]	BEE Star Label		Sweep (in mm)		
3	Pedestal Fan [Repeat for types]	BEE Star Label		Sweep (in mm)		
4	Exhaust Fan[Repeat for types]	CFM		Power (in Watts)		
Equipment Schedule – Space Conditioning Equipment						
	Equipment Type	Specification				Quantity
1	Equipment [Repeat for types]	BEE Star Label/ Efficiency (ISEER/COP)		Capacity (in KW)		

Low-energy Systems (continued)							
6.1 Mandatory Provisions							
Section	Item					Declaration	
6.1.1	Provision of fan	Each habitable room has been provided with a Ceiling Fan				[Yes/No]	
		Each ceiling fan meets BEE Star label corresponding to desired level of thermal comfort performance.				[Yes/No]	
		Desired level of thermal comfort performance					
		<input type="checkbox"/>	A/3 Star	<input type="checkbox"/>	A+/4 Star	<input type="checkbox"/>	A++/5 Star
		The number of ceiling fans designed for each space meet the guidelines provided in Section § 6.3.3, Part 3 – Ventilation of Handbook on Functional Requirements of Buildings (Other than Industrial Buildings).				[Yes/No]	
6.1.2	Provision of table/wall-mounted or pedestal fan	Each table/wall-mounted or pedestal fan meets BEE Star label corresponding to desired level of thermal comfort performance.				[Yes/No]	
		Desired level of thermal comfort performance					
		<input type="checkbox"/>	A/3 Star	<input type="checkbox"/>	A+/4 Star	<input type="checkbox"/>	A++/5 Star
							[Yes/No]

Low-energy Systems (continued)			
6.1.3	Exhaust for minimum ventilation	Exhaust fans can provide minimum ventilation of 6 ACH in kitchen, bathroom and lavatories	[Yes/No]
6.1.4	Design conditions for space conditioning systems	Indoor design conditions: Space conditioning systems have been designed to meet,	
		Cooling	24°C dry bulb, 50-65% relative humidity
		Heating	20°C dry bulb, 30% relative humidity
		Outdoor design conditions: Space conditioning systems have been designed to meet,	
		Cooling	1% design dry-bulb temperature and mean coincident wet bulb temperature
		Heating	99% design dry-bulb temperature
		Location	[Precise/nearest]
		Note: Outdoor conditions for location will be used from Table 2 (of Section 3 - Air-conditioning Heating and Mechanical Ventilation, Part 8 - Building Services) of National Building Code.	
6.1.5	Minimum equipment efficiency	All space conditioning equipment meet BEE 5 Star rating or efficiency corresponding to Super ECBC level outlined in Section §5.3 of the latest amendment of ECBC 2017	[Yes/No/Not Applicable]
6.1.6	Ancillary equipment efficiency	All ancillary equipment aiding space cooling and/or heating meet efficiency corresponding to Super ECBC level outlined in Section §5.3 of the latest amendment of ECBC 2017	[Yes/No/Not Applicable]
6.1.7	Low-energy comfort systems for space conditioning	Low-energy comfort systems are installed in the project, these systems shall meet or exceed Super ECBC requirements outlined in Section §5.3.13 of the latest amendment of ECBC 2017.	[Yes/No/Not Applicable]
6.1.8	Piping and duct-work	Piping and duct-work for heating, space conditioning and service water heating meet minimum insulation requirements for piping, ductwork, plenum, etc. corresponding to Super ECBC level outlined in Sections §5.2.4.1 and §5.2.4.2 of latest amendment of ECBC 2017.	[Yes/No/Not Applicable]

10.5.4 Lighting systems forms

Lighting Systems						
Lamp/Fixture Schedule						
Lamp/Fixture	Description	Quantity	Light output [Lumens]	Power [Watt]	Shielded fixture	CRI
[Repeat for types]					[Yes/No/Not Applicable]	

Lighting Systems (continued)						
Space-wise Lamp/Fixture - Schedule						
Space	Lamp/Fixture	Quantity	Total Light output [Lumens]	Total Power [Watt]	Area [m ²]	Lighting Power Density [W/m ²]
Space Type	[Repeat for types]					

Lighting Systems (continued)						
7.1.1	Illumination levels	Minimum illumination levels by space are met as per illumination levels outlined in Part 8 Section 1 of NBC Volume 2 (2016)				[Yes/No]
7.1.2	Shielded lamp/fixture	All lamps and fixtures are shielded.				[Yes/No]
7.1.3	Colour rending ability of light sources	All lamps and light fixtures meet CRI corresponding to desired level of visual comfort performance.				[Yes/No]
		Desired level of visual comfort performance				
		<input type="checkbox"/>	A/70	<input type="checkbox"/>	A+/80	<input type="checkbox"/> A++/90

10.5.5 Forms for special requirements in large residential complexes

Large Residential Complexes – Special requirements			
8.1.1	Illumination levels	Project site has designed to meet minimum tree-canopy cover of 15% with evergreen/native trees six feet or greater in height.	[Yes/No]
8.1.2	Reflective and emitting hard-paved surfaces	A minimum stipulated area of 50% for hard paved surfaces on site as reflective and emitting surface is met with or exceeded.	[Yes/No]