



# ADDENDA

**ANSI/ASHRAE Addendum k to  
ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 55-2020**

# Thermal Environmental Conditions for Human Occupancy

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**FOREWORD**

*Addendum k modifies the SET code to account for body position.*

**Informative Note:** In this addendum, changes to the current standard are indicated in the text by underlining (for additions) and ~~striking through~~ (for deletions) unless the instructions specifically mention some other means of indicating the changes.

**Addendum k to Standard 55-2020**

*Revise Table D-1 as shown. Table D-1 was previously changed by Addendum g to Standard 55-2020. The addendum is published and available for free download on the ASHRAE website at [www.ashrae.org/addenda](http://www.ashrae.org/addenda).*

**Table D-1 Validation Table for SET Computer Model (for a standing person)**

Temperature		MRT		Air Speed		RH	met	clo	SET	
°C	°F	°C	°F	m/s	fpm	%			°C	°F
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	<del>23.3</del> <u>23.8</u>	<del>74.9</del> <u>74.8</u>
0	32	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	<del>12.3</del> <u>12.1</u>	<del>54.1</del> <u>53.8</u>
10	50	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	<del>17.0</del> <u>16.8</u>	<del>62.6</del> <u>62.2</u>
15	59	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	<del>19.3</del> <u>19.2</u>	<del>66.7</del> <u>66.6</u>
20	68	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	<del>21.6</del> <u>21.5</u>	<del>70.9</del> <u>70.7</u>
30	86	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	26.4	79.5
40	104	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	<del>34.1</del> <u>34.3</u>	<del>93.4</del> <u>93.7</u>
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	10	1	0.5	23.3	73.9
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	90	1	0.5	<del>24.8</del> <u>24.9</u>	<del>76.6</del> <u>76.8</u>
25	77	25	77	0.1	19.7	50	1	0.5	24.0	75.2
25	77	25	77	0.6	118.1	50	1	0.5	<del>21.4</del> <u>21.3</u>	<del>70.5</del> <u>70.3</u>
25	77	25	77	1.1	216.5	50	1	0.5	<del>20.3</del> <u>20.2</u>	<del>68.5</del> <u>68.4</u>
25	77	25	77	3	590.6	50	1	0.5	<del>18.8</del> <u>18.6</u>	<del>65.8</del> <u>65.5</u>
25	77	10	50	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	<del>15.2</del> <u>15.3</u>	<del>59.4</del> <u>59.5</u>
25	77	40	104	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.5	<del>31.8</del> <u>31.6</u>	<del>89.2</del> <u>88.9</u>
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	0.1	20.7	69.3
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	1	<del>27.3</del> <u>27.2</u>	<del>81.1</del> <u>81.0</u>
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	2	<del>32.5</del> <u>32.4</u>	<del>90.5</del> <u>90.3</u>
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	1	4	<del>37.8</del> <u>37.6</u>	<del>100.0</del> <u>99.7</u>
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	0.8	0.5	23.3	73.9
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	2	0.5	<del>26.0</del> <u>25.9</u>	<del>78.8</del> <u>78.6</u>
25	77	25	77	0.15	29.5	50	4	0.5	<del>30.5</del> <u>30.5</u>	<del>86.9</del> <u>86.9</u>

**Revise Normative Appendix D4 as shown below. The remainder of Section D4 is unchanged.**

#### D4. COMPUTER PROGRAM FOR CALCULATION OF SET

The following code is one implementation of the SET calculation using JavaScript in SI units.

```
FindSaturatedVaporPressureTorr = function(T) {
  /*
    Helper function for pierceSET calculates Saturated Vapor Pressure(Torr) at
    Temperature T (°C)
  */
  return Math.exp(18.6686 - 4030.183/(T + 235.0));
}
pierceSET = function(TA, TR, VEL, RH, MET, CLO, WME, PATM, BODY_POSITION) {
  /*
    Input variables - TA (air temperature): °C, TR (mean radiant temperature):
    °C, VEL (air speed): m/s, RH (relative humidity): %, MET: met unit, CLO: clo
    unit, WME (external work): W/m2, PATM (atmospheric pressure): kPa, BODY POSI-
TION (body position): "sitting or standing"
  */
  [...]

  for (var TIM = 1; TIM <= LTIME; TIM++) { //Begin iteration
    do {
      if (flag) {
        TCL_OLD = TCL;
        CHR = 4.0 * SBC * Math.pow(((TCL + TR)/2.0 + 273.15), 3.0) * 0.72;
        if (BODY_POSITION === "sitting") {
          // 0.7 ratio between radiation area of the body and
          // the body area
          CHR = 4.0 * 0.95 * SBC * Math.pow(((TCL + TR)/2.0 + 273.15),
          3.0) *0.7;
        } else { // if standing
          // 0.73 ratio between radiation area of the body and
          // the body area
          CHR = 4.0 * 0.95 * SBC * Math.pow(((TCL + TR)/2.0 + 273.15),
          3.0) *0.73;
        }
        CTC = CHR + CHC;
        RA = 1.0/(FACL * CTC); //Resistance of air layer to dry heat transfer
        TOP = (CHR * TR + CHC * TA)/CTC;
      }
    }
  }
  [...]
```

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