

# ADDENDA

**ANSI/ASHRAE/ASHE Addendum g to  
ANSI/ASHRAE/ASHE Standard 189.3-2021**

# Design, Construction, and Operation of Sustainable High-Performance Health Care Facilities

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*Addendum g adds a section to specify that sterilization, cart wash, food service, and humidification shall not rely on combustion of on-site fossil fuels for normal operations. This change reflects the growing trend to electrify buildings and clarifies the energy source of the operation by adding the term “on-site fossil fuel.”*

**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 g to Standard 189.3-2021**

*Add new Section 7.6 as shown. The remainder of Section 7 is unchanged.*

### **7. ENERGY EFFICIENCY**

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#### **7.6 Electrification**

7.6.1 Sterilization shall not rely on on-site fossil fuel combustion for normal operation.

7.6.2 Cart wash shall not rely on on-site fossil fuel combustion for normal operation.

7.6.3 Food service shall not rely on on-site fossil fuel combustion for normal operation.

7.6.4 Humidification shall not rely on on-site fossil fuel combustion for normal operation.

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