



# ADDENDA

**ANSI/ASHRAE Addendum p to  
ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 34-2013**

# Designation and Safety Classification of Refrigerants

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## FOREWORD

*This addendum adds the zeotropic refrigerant blend R-453A to Table 4-2 and Table D-2. The recommended flammability classification is 1. The recommended toxicity classification A is based on an adopted OEL of 1000 ppm v/v. The recommended ATEL is 34,000 ppm v/v.*

**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.

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*Add the following underlined data to Table 4-2 and Table D-2 in the columns indicated.*

#### TABLE 4-2 Data and Safety Classifications for Refrigerant Blends

Refrigerant Number = 453A  
Composition (Mass %) = R-32/125/134a/227ea/600/601a  
(20.0/20.0/53.8/5.0/0.6/0.6)  
Composition Tolerances = ±1.0/±1.0/±1.0/±0.5/+0.1,  
-0.2/+0.1, -0.2)  
OEL = 1000  
Safety Group = A1  
RCL = 34,000 ppm v/v; 7.8lb/Mcf; 120 g/m<sup>3</sup>  
Highly Toxic or Toxic Under Code Classification = Neither

#### TABLE D-2 Data for Refrigerant Blends

Refrigerant Number = 453A  
Composition (Mass %) = R-32/125/134a/227ea/600/601a  
(20.0/20.0/53.8/5.0/0.6/0.6)  
Average Molecular Mass = 88.78  
Bubble Point (°F) = -44.0  
Dew Point (°F) = -31.0  
Bubble Point (°C) = -42.2  
Dew Point (°C) = -35.0



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