

# ADDENDA

**ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Addendum bp to  
ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1-2019**

# Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings

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## FOREWORD

*Addendum bp removes the exception for captive card key controls for hotel guestrooms, as captive card key technology is often bypassed and not a commonly used technology.*

*Captive card key controls are a manual control (not automatic) that are easily and often bypassed, thereby negating any potential energy savings. Most of the time upon check-in, the hotel provides two keys to the guest and tells them to always keep one key in the slot to get power into the room, so even when the guests leave the room, one of their keys is left in the slot, the lighting stays on, and no energy savings is realized. What's more, when no key cards are in the slot, there is no power to the lighting. So, guests who are not familiar with their hotel room will have limited visibility (especially upon entry into the room), which can cause a safety or dissatisfaction issue for the guest. Lastly, green building design standards like Standard 189.1 have recognized the captive key card shortcomings and don't allow for their use to comply. Standard 90.1 should not allow them for compliance either. The standard should require only automatic guestroom controls that will guarantee energy savings and provide guests with a more satisfactory experience.*

*Addendum bp should not negatively impact cost effectiveness. It removes an obsolete option with declining use in the market. Installation of the newer technology automatic controls that will be required are similar or lower in cost.*

**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 bp to Standard 90.1-2019

*Modify Section 6 as shown (I-P and SI).*

~~6.4.3.3.5.3 Automatic Control.~~ Card key card controls shall be permitted to be used to indicate occupancy.

*Modify Section 9.4.1.3 as shown (I-P and SI).*

#### 9.4.1.3 Special Applications

[ ... ]

##### b. Guestrooms

1. All lighting and ~~all~~ switched receptacles in guestrooms and suites in hotels, motels, boarding houses, or similar *buildings* shall be *automatically* controlled such that the power to the lighting and switched receptacles in each *enclosed space* will be turned off within 20 minutes after all occupants leave that *space*. Card key controls shall not be used to comply with this provision.

~~Exception to 9.4.1.3(b)(1): Enclosed spaces where the lighting and switched receptacles are controlled by card key controls and bathrooms are exempt.~~

2. Bathrooms shall have a separate *control device* installed to *automatically* turn off the bathroom lighting within 30 minutes after all occupants have left the bathroom.

**Exception:** Night lighting of up to 5 W per bathroom is exempt.

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