



DUCT LEAKAGE DIAGNOSTIC TEST

CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

CEC-CF3R-MCH-20-H

SAMPLE FORM – NOT VALID FOR SUBMISSION TO BUILDING DEPARTMENTS

CERTIFICATE OF VERIFICATION

Note: This table completed by HERS Registry.

Project Name:	Enforcement Agency:
Dwelling Address:	Permit Number:
City and Zip Code:	Permit Application Date:

A. System Information

01	Space Conditioning System Identification or Name	
02	Space Conditioning System Location or Area Served	
03	Indoor Unit Name or Description of Area Served	
04	Building Type from CF1R	
05	Verified Low Leakage Ducts in Conditioned Space (VLLDCS) Credit from CF1R?	
06	Verified Low Leakage Air-handling Unit Credit from CF1R?	
07	Duct System Compliance Category	
08	Any portions of Duct Located in Garage?	
09	Is the system type Small Duct High Velocity (SDHV)?	

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B. Duct Leakage Diagnostic Test

01	System compliance with visual inspection per RA3.1.4.1.3?	
02	Duct Leakage Test Conditions	
03	Duct Leakage Test Method	
04	Target Allowable Duct Leakage Rate (cfm)	
05	Actual Duct Leakage Rate from Leakage Test Measurement (cfm):	
06	Compliance Statement:	

C. Additional Requirements for Compliance

01	System was tested in its normal operation condition. No temporary taping allowed.	
02	Outside air (OA) duct connections to the central forced air duct system shall not be sealed/taped off during duct leakage testing. OA ducts used for Central Fan Integrated (CFI) Indoor Air Quality ventilation systems, or Central Fan Ventilation Cooling Systems, that utilize dampers that open only when OA is required and automatically close when OA is not required, may configure the OA damper to the closed position during duct leakage testing.	
03	All supply and return register boots were sealed to the drywall.	
04	Building cavities were not used as plenums or platform returns in lieu of ducts.	
05	If cloth backed tape was used it was covered with Mastic and draw bands.	
06	All connection points between the air handler and the supply and return plenums are completely sealed.	
07	Verification Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Pass</u> - all applicable requirements are met; or <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Fail</u> - one or more applicable requirements are not met. Enter reason for failure in corrections notes field below; or <input type="checkbox"/> <u>All N/A</u> - This entire table is not applicable

D. Determination of HERS Verification Compliance

All applicable sections of this document shall indicate compliance with the specified verification protocol requirements in order for this Certificate of Verification as a whole to be determined to be in compliance.

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Registration Number:

Registration Date/Time:

HERS Provider:

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Documentation Author Name:	Documentation Author Signature:
Company:	Date Signed:
Address:	CEA/HERS Certification Information (if applicable):
City/State/Zip:	Phone:

RESPONSIBLE PERSON'S DECLARATION STATEMENT

2. I certify the following under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the state of California:
1. The information provided on this Certificate of Verification is true and correct.
 2. I am the certified HERS Rater who performed the verification identified and reported on this Certificate of Verification (responsible rater).
 3. The installed features, materials, components, manufactured devices, or system performance diagnostic results that require HERS verification identified on this Certificate of Verification comply with the applicable requirements in Reference Appendices RA2, RA3, and the requirements specified on the Certificate of Compliance for the building approved by the enforcement agency.
 4. The information reported on applicable sections of the Certificate(s) of Installation (CF2R) signed and submitted by the person(s) responsible for the construction or installation conforms to the requirements specified on the Certificate(s) of Compliance (CF1R) approved by the enforcement agency.
 5. I understand that a registered copy of this Certificate of Verification shall be posted, or made available with the building permit(s) issued for the building, and made available to the enforcement agency for all applicable inspections, and I will take the necessary steps to ensure this requirement is accomplished.
 6. I understand that a registered copy of this Certificate of Verification is required to be included with the documentation the builder provides to the building owner at occupancy, and I will take the necessary steps to ensure this requirement is accomplished.

BUILDER OR INSTALLER INFORMATION AS SHOWN ON THE CERTIFICATE OF INSTALLATION

Company Name (Installing Subcontractor, General Contractor, or Builder/Owner):	
Responsible Builder or Installer Name:	CSLB License:

HERS PROVIDER DATA REGISTRY INFORMATION

Sample Group Number (if applicable):	Dwelling Test Status in Sample Group (if applicable):
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HERS RATER INFORMATION

HERS Rater Company Name:	
Responsible Rater Name:	Responsible Rater Signature:
Responsible Rater Certification Number w/ this HERS Provider:	Date Signed:

For assistance or questions regarding the Energy Standards, contact the Energy Hotline at: 1-800-772-3300

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CF3R-MCH-20b-H User Instructions

Section A. System Information

1. *HVAC System Identification or Name*: This field is filled out automatically. It is referenced from the CF2R-MCH-20.
2. *HVAC System Location or Area Served*: This field is filled out automatically. It is referenced from the CF2R-MCH-20.
3. *Indoor Unit Name*: This field is filled out automatically. It is referenced from the CF2R-MCH-20, which must be completed prior to this document.
4. *Building Type*: This field is filled out automatically. It is referenced from the CF2R-MCH-20.
5. *Verified Low Leakage Ducts in Conditioned Space (VLLDCS)*: This field is filled out automatically. It is referenced from the CF2R-MCH-20.
6. *Verified Low Leakage Air-handling Unit (VLLAHU) Credit*: This field is filled out automatically. It is referenced from the CF2R-MCH-20.
7. *Duct System Compliance Category*: This field is filled out automatically. It is referenced from the CF2R-MCH-20.
8. *Any portions of Duct Located in Garage*: This field is filled out automatically. It is referenced from the CF2R-MCH-20.

Section B. – Duct Leakage Diagnostic Test

1. *System compliance with visual inspection per RA3.1.4.1.2 of the 2022 Reference Appendices*: This field will be automatically filled. A visual inspection confirms the space conditioning system is located entirely in conditioned space in accordance with RA3.1.4.1.3 of the 2022 Reference Appendices. If any part of the duct system is outside of conditioned space, the system does not pass.
2. *Duct Leakage Test Conditions*: This field will be automatically filled. The entire duct system shall be included in the total leakage test. The air handler, supply and return plenums and all the connectors, transition pieces, duct boots and registers must be installed and tested to total system leakage. All supply registers shall be taped so that the tape goes over the grills and attaches to the surrounding drywall. All return grilles except for one large centrally located return grille or the air handler cabinet access panel shall be taped up.
3. *Duct Leakage Test Method*: This field will be automatically filled. Leakage to outside shall be verified by pressurizing the dwelling and the ducts to 25 Pa (0.1 inches of water) **with respect to outside**. A full description of these procedures can be found in RA3.1.4.3.4 of the 2022 Reference Appendices.
4. *Target Allowable Duct Leakage Rate (cfm)*: This field will be automatically filled. In order to pass this test duct leakage must be equal to or less than 25 cfm when the dwelling and ducts are pressurized to 25 Pa with respect to outside. NOTE: The 25 cfm leakage value will be difficult to reach unless the ducts are located in conditioned space.
5. *Actual Duct Leakage Rate from Leakage Test Measurement (cfm)*: Input the duct leakage rate taken from actual test measurements.
6. *Compliance statement*: This field will be automatically filled. The test passes if actual leakage rate is less than or equal to 25 cfm and a MCH-21 has been registered.

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Section C Additional Requirements for Compliance

1. This field must be a true statement (or not applicable) for the system to comply.
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8. *Verification Status:* If this Section does not apply, then select “All N/A”. If the system meets all of the additional requirements for compliance then select “Pass”, otherwise select “Fail”. The latter selection means that the system does not meet the requirements and the system will need to be modified to meet the requirements or airflow and fan efficacy will have to be verified by diagnostic testing.
9. *Correction Notes:* If one or more applicable requirements are not met “Fail” will appear in the row above. When this occurs the rater is required to enter detailed notes here that describe what failed and why.

Section D. Determination of HERS Verification Compliance

1. This field is filled out automatically. Compliance requires that all individual criteria pass.

Documentation Declaration Statements

1. The person who prepared the CF3R will sign and complete the fields for their name, company (if applicable), address, phone number, certification information (if applicable), date and signature.
2. The person who is assuming responsibility for the project being built to comply with Title 24, Part 6, will complete the fields (if applicable) for their company, responsible builder or installer name, CSLB license number, sample group number, dwelling test status in sample group, HERS Rater company name, HERS Rater name, HERS Rater signature, HERS Rater certification number and date signed.