

Department of Building Safety

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MICHIGAN ENERGY CODE – Prescriptive Method

Table 1102.1 (R402.1.1) INSULATION AND FENESTRATION REQUIREMENTS BY COMPONENT ^a

Exterior Enclosure	Zone 6A Minimum	Proposed
Fenestration/Openings (Windows and Doors) ^b	U-0.32	
Skylight ^b	U-0.55	
Ceilings	R-49	
Wood Frame Wall	R-20 or 13+5 ^f	
Floor	R-30 ^e	
Basement Wall ^c	R15 / 19	
Slab ^d	R-10, 4 ft.	
Crawl Space Walls ^c	R-15 / 19	

- a. R-values are minimums. U-factors are maximums. When insulation is installed in a cavity which is less than the label or design thickness of the insulation, the installed R-value of the insulation shall not be less than the R-values specified in the table.
- b. The fenestration U-factor column excludes skylights.
- c. "15/19" means R-15 continuous insulation on the interior or exterior of the home or R-19 cavity insulation at the interior of the basement wall. "15/19" may be met with R-13 cavity insulation on the interior of the basement wall plus R-5 continuous insulation on the interior or exterior of the home. "10/13" means R-10 continuous insulation on the interior or exterior of the home or R-13 cavity insulation at the interior of the basement wall.
- d. R-5 shall be added to the required slab edge R-values for heated slabs.
- e. Or insulation sufficient to fill the framing cavity, R-19 minimum.
- f. First value is cavity insulation, second is continuous insulation or insulated siding, so "13 5" means R-13 cavity insulation plus R-5 continuous insulation or insulated siding. If structural sheathing covers 40% or less of the exterior, continuous insulation R-value may be reduced by no more than R-3 in the locations where structural sheathing is used to maintain a consistent total sheathing thickness.

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Person Completing Form:
Homeowner
Contractor
Other
Date:

NOTE: If this prescriptive method for Energy Code compliance if used, **a blower door test** is required to show compliance and must be submitted for review prior to final inspection. All mandatory requirements of the Energy Code must be followed no matter which method of compliance is used.

A continuous air barrier shall be installed in the building envelope.	
Exterior thermal envelope contains a continuous air barrier. Breaks or joints in the air barrier shall be sealed. Air-permeable insulation shall not be used as a sealing material.	
he air barrier in any dropped ceiling/soffit shall be aligned with the insulation and any gaps in the air barrier aled. ccess openings, drop down stair, or knee wall doors to unconditioned attic spaces shall be sealed.	
Corners and headers shall be insulated and the junction of the foundation and sill plate shall be sealed. The junction of the top plate and top of exterior walls shall be sealed. Exterior thermal envelope insulation for framed walls shall be installed in substantial contact and continuous alignment with the air barrier. Knee walls shall be sealed.	
The space between window/door jambs and framing, and skylights and framing shall be sealed.	
Rim joists shall be insulated and include the air barrier.	
Insulation shall be installed to maintain permanent contact with underside of subfloor decking. The air barrier shall be installed at any exposed edge of insulation.	
Where provided in lieu of floor insulation, insulation shall be permanently attached to the crawlspace walls. Exposed earth in unvented crawl spaces shall be covered with a Class I vapor retarder with overlapping joints taped.	
Duct shafts, utility penetrations, and flue shafts opening to exterior or unconditioned space shall be sealed.	
Batts in narrow cavities shall be cut to fit, or narrow cavities shall be filled by insulation that on installation readily conforms to the available cavity space.	
Air sealing shall be provided between the garage and conditioned spaces.	
Recessed light fixtures installed in the building thermal envelope shall be air tight, IC rated, and sealed to the drywall.	
Batt insulation shall be cut neatly to fit around wiring and plumbing in exterior walls, or insulation that on installation readily conforms to available space shall extend behind piping and wiring.	
Exterior walls adjacent to showers and tubs shall be insulated and the air barrier installed separating them from the showers and tubs.	
The air barrier shall be installed behind electrical or communication boxes or air-sealed boxes shall be installed.	
HVAC register boots that penetrate building thermal envelope shall be sealed to the subfloor or drywall.	
An air barrier shall be installed on fireplace walls.	

TABLE N1102.4.1.1 (R402.4.1.1) AIR BARRIER AND INSULATION INSTALLATION

a. In addition, inspection of log walls shall be in accordance with the provisions of ICC-400.

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