



HERS Mandatory/Prescriptive/Performance

HERS-verified Measure	Mandatory	Prescriptive	(if credit taken) Performance
Mechanical			
Duct sealing (maximum leakage)	X ^A		
Indoor air quality ventilation (based on ASHRAE Standard 62.2)	X		
Refrigerant charge or Installation of a charge indicator display		CZ 2, 8-15	CZ 1, 3-7, 16
Duct design (reduced surface area, high insulation, and duct location)			X
Ducts entirely in conditioned space			X
Low leakage ducts entirely in conditioned space			X
Ducts <12 feet outside conditioned space			X
Low leakage air handlers			X
Cooling coil air flow and air handler fan watt draw AND/OR Verified return duct design and air filter device	X		
High SEER			X
High EER			X
Photovoltaic (PV) system capacity to qualify for PV rebate via New Solar Home Partnership			X
Central fan integrated ventilation cooling systems		Optional ^B	
Zonal control			X
Evaporatively cooled condensers			X
Ice storage air conditioners			X
Plumbing			
Pipe insulation			X
Verified design (parallel piping, compact design, point of use)			X
Multi family recirculation loops			X
Envelope			
Quality insulation installation (QII)			X ^C
Building envelope sealing			X
HERS verified pre-existing conditions			X

^A Unless it is a ductless system (e.g., ductless mini splits)

^B A project may comply prescriptively by using either a central fan integrated ventilation cooling system.

+ If a central fan integrated cooling system is used, it requires HERS verification, and it must meet duct leakage, fan watt draw and airflow requirements

+ If a whole house fan is used, it does NOT require HERS verification.

^C If QII is used for compliance credit, multiple inspections are required to confirm that QII standards are met.

HERS Verified Measures

- ✦ Triggers HERS registration
- ✦ Triggers ALL forms to be HERS registered
- ✦ Triggers HERS rater for verification of applicable features