









INTRODUCTION

It's a unique challenge for mechanical engineers to design and select the air distribution items, the selection and choice of air distribution equipment involves product efficiency to meet space requirement as well as architectural features which compliment the interior design in the modern HVAC system, the wrongly chosen air outlets lead to failure of the entire HVAC system.

The considerations while doing a perfect and competitive selection of air outlet are occupant comfort, energy conservation, air quality and the cost. It is the foremost purpose of this Air Distribution Engineering section . The details provided in this section are referred from ASHRAE Handbooks and standards

TERMINOLOGY

Grille: A covering for any area through which air passes. **Register:** A grille equipped with a damper or control valve.

Diffuser: An outlet discharging supply air in various directions and planes.

Slotted outlet: A long narrow air distribution outlet comprised of deflecting members: located in the ceiling, side wall or sill with an aspect ratio greater than 10.Designed to distribute supply air in varying directions and planes and arranged to promote mixing of primary air and secondary room air.

Return: An outlet for return or exhaust air.

Damper: A device used to control the volume of air passing through an outlet or inlet.

Aspect ratio: Ratio of the length to the width of rectangular opening.

Free area = Effective area: Total minimum area of the opening in air outlet through which air can pass.

Throw: The horizontal or vertical axial distance an air stream travels after leaving an air outlet before the maximum stream velocity is reduced to a specified terminal velocity (e.g., 50, 100, 150, or 200 fpm) defined by ASHRAE standard 70.

Terminal velocity: The maximum air stream velocity at the end of the throw.

Primary air: The air coming directly from the outlet.

Secondary air: The room air which is picked up and carried along by the primary air.

Total air: Mixture of primary and secondary air.

Stratified zone: A region in which room air velocity is less than 0.075m/sec (15FPM).

Draft: Undesired local cooling of a body caused by low temperature and movement of air.

Isothermal jet: Air jet with the same temperature as the surrounding air.

Non isothermal jet: Air jet with an initial temperature different from the surrounding air **Jet velocity = Face velocity = Outlet velocity:** The average velocity of air passing from the outlet, measured in the plane of the opening.









.....Engineering Data.....

RECOMMENDED NOISE CRITERIA FOR ROOMS AND FACE VELOCITY

ТҮРЕ	SPACE	NR LEVEL		RECOMMENDED FACE VELOCITY m/s (F.P.M)		
	Concert and Opera Halls, Studios for sound reproduction	20-25	2.5	(500)		
Auditoriums And Music	Legitimate Theatres, Multi-Purpose Halls Movies theatres, Lectures Halls, Planetarium,	25-30	2.5-3.75	(500-750)		
Halls	TV Audience Studios	30-35	2.5-3.75	(500-750)		
	Lobbies	35-45	2.5-5.0	(500-1000)		
Churches	Sanctuaries	20-30	2.5-3.75	(500-750)		
And	Libraries, schools and classrooms	30-40	2.5-5.0	(500-1000)		
Schools	Laboratories	35-45 35-50	2.5-5.0	(500-1000)		
	Recreation halls, corridors and halls	35-30	2.5-0.5	(500-1300)		
	Boardroom	20-30	2.5-3.75	(500-750)		
	Executive office	30-40	2.5-5.0	(500-1000)		
Offices	Conference rooms	25-35	2.5-3.75	(500-750)		
	General Open offices	35-50	2.5-6.5	(500-1300)		
	Halls and corridors, computer room	35-55	2.5-6.5	(500-1300)		
	Intensive care wards, Private room	25-35	2.5-3.75	(500-750)		
Hospitals	Hospitals wards, Operating room	30-40	2.5-5.0	(500-1000)		
And Clinics	Waiting rooms and reception areas	35-45	2.5-5.0	(500-1000)		
Cinics	Wash rooms and toilets	40-50	3.0-6.5	(600-1300)		
Hotels/	Individual Rooms, suites or Ball Rooms	30-40	2.5-5.0	(500-1000)		
Motels	Halls, corridors, Lobbies	35-40	2.5-5.0	(500-1000)		
Wioteis	Kitchen and laundries, bars and lounges	40-50	3.0-6.5	(600-1300)		
Public	Public Libraries, museums, court rooms Post offices, Banking Areas, Department Stores, Restaurants, Night Clubs, Bowling	30-40	2.5-5.0	(500-1000)		
T done	Alleys, Gymnasiums	35-45	2.5-5.0	(500-1000)		
	Cocktail Lounges	35-50	2.5-6.5	(500-1300)		
T	Ticket sales offices	30-40	2.5-5.0	(500-1000)		
Transportation	Lounges, Waiting Rooms	35-50	2.5-6.5	(500-1300)		
Stores	Clothing Stores, Department Stores (upper floor) Department Stores (main floor), small	35-45	2.5-5.0	(500-1000)		
Retail	Retail Stores, Supermarkets	40-50	3.0-6.5	(600-1300)		
Factory	Light maintenance shops, Assembly lines	40-50	3.0-6.5	(600-1300)		
Areas	Office area, control room	40-50	3.0-6.5	(600-1300)		
711000	Heavy industrial processing	60-75	6.5-10.0	(1300-2000)		







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Outdoor Air Required for Ventilation*

OCCUPANCY	CFM PER PERSON
Spaces in which there is no smoking	
AUDITORIUMS	
CHURCHES	5 TO 7.5
THEATERS	
Spaces in which there is moderate smoking	
BARBER SHOPS	
BEAUTY PARLORS	
FUNERAL PARLORS	7.5 TO 10
OPEN SPACES IN BANKS	
RETAIL SHOPS	
APARTMENTS	
DRUGSTORES HAVING LUNCH COUNTERS	
HOSPITAL ROOMS	
HOTEL ROOMS	10 TO 15
OPEN SPACES IN GENERAL OFFICES	
RESTAURANTS AND PUBLIC DINING ROOMS	
Spaces in which there is heavy smoking	
BROKERS BOARD ROOMS	
DIRECTORS ROOMS	
NIGHT CLUBS	20 TO 30
PRIVATE OFFICES	
TAVERNS AND COCKTAIL BARS	

^{*} TRAIN

Recommended and Maximum Duct Velocities for Conventional Systems **

		Recommended Velocities, Fpm							
Designation	Residences	Schools, Theaters, Public Buildings	Industrial Buildings						
Outdoor Air Intakes ^a	500	500	500						
Filters ^a	250	300	350						
Heating coils ^a	450	500	600						
Air Washers	500	500	500						
Fan Outlets	1000-1600	1300-2000	1600-2400						
Main Ducts	700-900	1000-1300	1200-1800						
Branch Ducts	600	600-900	800-1000						
Branch Risers	500	600-700	800						
		Maximum Velocities, Fp.	m						
Outdoor Air Intakes ^a	800	900	1200						
Filters ^a	300	350	350						
Heating Coils ^a	500	600	700						
Air Washers	500	500	500						
Fan Outlets	1700	1500-2200	1700-2800						
Main Ducts	800-1200	1100-1600	1300-2200						
Branch Ducts	700-1000	800-1300	1000-1800						
Branch Risers	650-800	800-1200	1000-1600						

^a These velocities are for total face area, not the net free area; other velocities in table are for net free area.







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Recommended Return Grilles Velocities*

GRILLE LOCATION	F.P.M. Over Cross Area
Commercial Above occupied zone Within occupied zone not near seats Within occupied zone near seats Door or wall louvers Undercutting of doors Industrial Residential	800 and above 600-800 400-600 500-1000 600 a 800 and above 400

Weight of duct material **

	Galvanized st	eel u.s. gauge	Aluminum	B&S gauge	Stainless steel u.s. gauge		
Gauge	Thickness mm	Weight Kg/m ²	Thickness mm	Weight Kg/m ²	Thickness mm	Weight Kg/m ²	
28					0.41	3.227	
26	0.56	4.43			0.48	3.863	
24	0.71	5.653	0.51	1.408	0.64	5.134	
22	0.86	6.875	0.64	1.736	0.79	6.406	
20 a	1.00	8.098	0.81	2.229	0.97	7.726	
18	1.32	10.543	1.01	2.812	1.27	10.269	
16	1.63	12.988	1.3	3.540	1.6	12.861	
14	2.00	16.044	1.62	4.469	2.00	16.039	
12			1.80	5.037			

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Recommended construction for *** Rectangular sheet-metal Ducts (Low pressure)

Duct Dimension	Galvanized	Aluminum		
Inch	mm	mm		
UP Thru 12	0.5	0.6		
13 Thru 30	0.6	0.7		
31 Thru 54	0.75	0.85		
55 Thru 84	1.00	1.25		
Over 84	1.25	1.40		

^{***} BUILDING NATIONAL REGULATIONS







Thru undercut area

Check Figures for Cooling Estimates.*

er Watts per square Tons per person Cfm per foot	High Low Avg High Low Avg High Low Avg High	325 0.2 0.6 0.9 0.446 0.58 0.72 0.5 0.7 0.9	80 1.0 2.0 0.12 0.23 0.40 0.92 1.6 2.1	80 0.87 1.5 2.3 0.135 0.258 0.405 1.1 2.0 2.5	30 0.79 1.9 2.1 0.066 0.113 0.126 0.75 1.0 1.2	44 1.43 3.0 5.1 0.078 0.106 0.145 0.85 1.4 2.0	73 1.19 1.9 3.0 0.104 0.125 0.227 0.75 1.0 1.2	78 0.85 1.2 2.2 0.13 0.24 0.41 0.92 1.7 2.1	130 0.83 1.66 2.6 0.204 0.283 0.389 1.0 1.3 1.9	128 0.53 1.44 3.4 0.195 0.308 0.463 1.2 1.7 2.2	17 1.50 1.7 2.0 0.121 0.164 0.225 1.8 2.4 3.7	46 2.72 ^b 5.1 ^b 9.3 ^b 0.140 0.262 0.392 1.5 2.6 4.2	50 0.74 1.77 3.5 0.087 0.143 0.271 0.9 1.2 1.6	35 1.00 1.83 2.5 0.180 0.198 0.24 1.8 2.3 3.0	36 1.14 2.5 5.4 0.075 0.102 0.168 0.7 1.4 2.0	50 0.75 1.8 2.7 0.088 0.145 0.273 1.0 1.3 1.9	10 21 61 8010 9010 0010 00
Square feet per person	Avg Hig	175 325	09	99 80	25 30	25 44	56 73	58 78	110 130	73 128	15 17	41 46	40 50	23 35	24 36	40 50	30 50
Square	Low A	100	40 6	40 5	20 2	16 2	39 5	40 5	11 11	7.	13 1.	25 4	30 4	17 2	15 2	30 4	19 3
	ш	17 10	_	48	26 2		3			_			35 3			40	
Room sensible heata	g High		45		-	43	-	46	37	43	8	06		99	42	_	45
oom sen: heat ^a	/ Avg	12	35	38	21	30	21	36	26	33	52	99	26	20	31	28	35
<u>ж</u>	Low	6	20	21	16	18	16	20	19	24	40	33	20	40	15	22	56
heat	High	30	75	75	39	09	40	74	52	49	155	117	99	109	100	99	8
Grand total heat ^a	Avg	20	51	54	34	40	31	53	36	45	118	9/	43	88	55	45	55
Gran	Low	13	30	35	24	26	24	32	23	33	06	20	35	19	35	38	40
- or	High	0.94	06.0	0.88	0.85	0.88	0.94	68'0	0.93	0.93	080	0.91	0.85	0.79	0.825	98.0	72.0
Sensible- Heat factor	Avg	0.84	0.83	0.83	0.73	08.0	0.82	0.82	0.91	68.0	0.72	080	962.0	0.72	0.725	62:0	0.795
S. He	Low	08.0	0.73	0.75	9.0	0.72	0.74	0.74	0.84	0.82	9.0	69.0	0.70	99.0	99.0	0.72	0.74
Classification		Apartments and hotel guest rooms	Art museums and libraries	Banks (not incl. private offices)	Basement	Dept. Main floor	Upper floors	Hotels-public spaces	Office buildings	Offices-small suites	Restaurants	Beauty and barber	Dress	Specialty Drug	Shops 5¢ and 10¢	Hat	Shoe

Notes: *Btu per hour per square foot. * Total wattage for lights and equipment. *Btu per hour per seat. * Cfm per seat.

* Modern Air Conditioning, Heating, and Ventilating









Unit Conversions

	1 in		25	4						
Length	1 in = 25.4 mm 1 ft = 0.3048 m									
	1 in ²			5.16 n						
Area	1 ft ²			929 m						
	1 in ³			87 m						
		=								
Volume	1 ft ³	=		283 n						
	1 UK gallon (liq			4.546 litre 3.785 litre						
	1 US gallon (liqu 1 ounce (av)	iid) = =								
Mass	1 ounce (av) 1 gr (grain)	=		28.3 (gramme) 0.0648 g						
171433	1 gr (grain) 1 lb	_		536 k						
	1 lbf			536 k						
Force	1 lbf	_		0445						
10100	1 kp	_		0981						
	ТКР	Lbf/in ²		f/ft ²	kg/m ²	KPa=KN/m ²	Torr =mm Hg			
	11bf/in ² =	1		14	703	6.895	51.71			
		0.00694		1	4.882	0.04788	0.36			
Pressure	$1lbf/ft^2(psf) =$	65,00,000,000,000,000			0.000,000,000,000	100000 100 0000	100000000000000000000000000000000000000			
	$1 \text{ kg/m}^2 =$	0.00142		048	1	0.00981	0.0736			
	$1kPa = 1 kN/m^2 =$	0.145		556	102	1	7.50			
	1Torr = mmHg =	0.0193	2.	78	13.59	0.133	1			
Density	$1 \text{ lb/ft}^3/\text{pcf} = 1$	16.018 kg/m	3				'			
		Btu		Kcal		KJ	kWh			
	1 Btu =	1		0.252		1.055	0.00029			
Energy	1 kcal =	3.968		1		4.187	0.001163			
	1 KJ =	0.948		0.239		1	0.000278			
	1 kWh =	3412		860		3600	1			
		Btu/ft l	ıF	Btu in/ft ² hF		Kcal/m hK	W/m K			
Thermal	1 Btu/ft hf =	1		12		1.488	1.73			
conductivity	$1 \text{ Btu in/ft}^2 \text{ hF} =$	0.0833		1		0.124	0.144			
	1 kcal/m hK =	0.672		8.064		1	1.163			
	1 W/m K =	0.578		6.933		0.860	1			
		Btu/ft ²	ηF	Btu in/ft ² hF		Kcal/m ² hK	W/m ² K			
Thermal	1 Btu/ft hF =	1			144 703		818			
conductance	1 Btu in/ft ² hF =	0.0694		1		4.882	5.678			
	1 kcal/m hK =	0.0014			.2048 1		1.163			
	1 W/m K =	0.0012	2	U	.1761	0.860	1			
	1 Btu/ft h =	0.8268 kca	1/							
	1 Btu/ft h =									
	1 kcal/m h =	1.163 W/n								
Heat flow	1 Kcai/III II —	1.103 W/II	1							
	$\frac{1 \text{ Btu/ft}^2 \text{ h}}{} =$	2.712 kcal	m ² H							
	1 Btu/ft ² h =	3.155 W/n								
	I Btu/It² n									
		1.163 W/n	1							
Temperature	°F=9/5°C+32									
- camper acute	°C=5/9 (°F-32)									



