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Life is Tough Enough As it Is...

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People
Pollutant (hot, wet, UV, ozone)
Path
Pressure

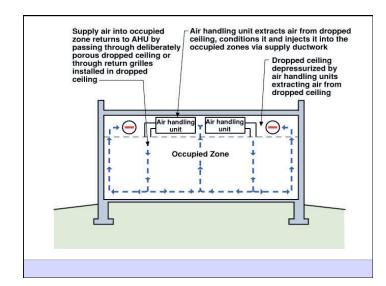


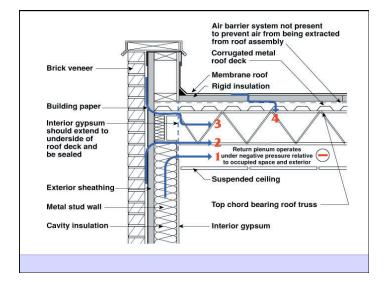




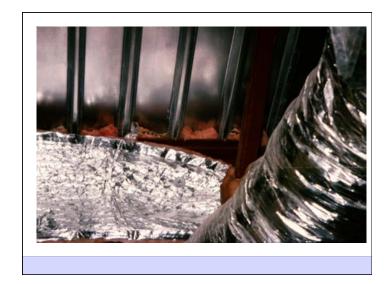
















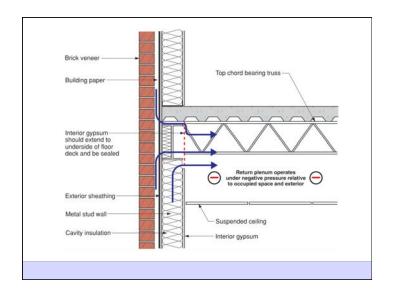
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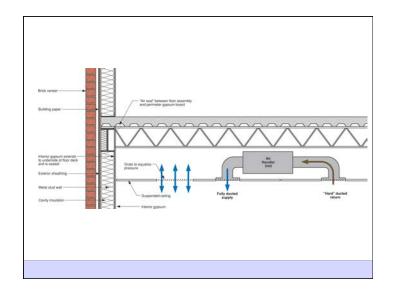


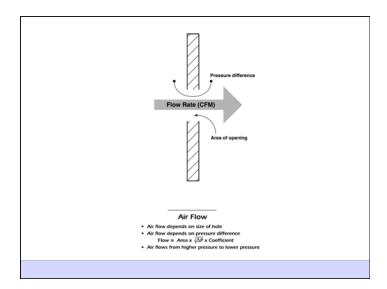


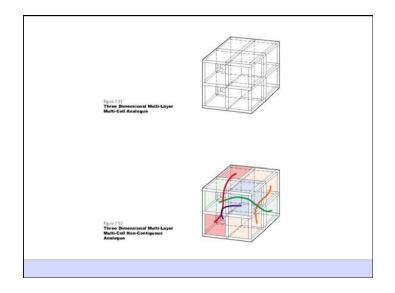


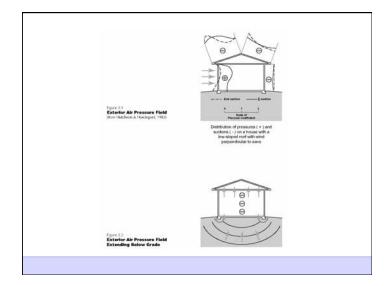


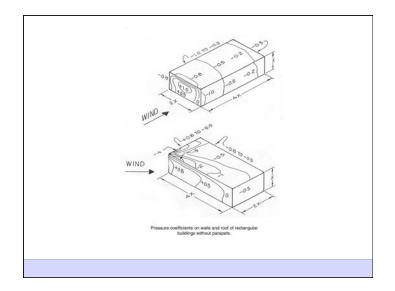


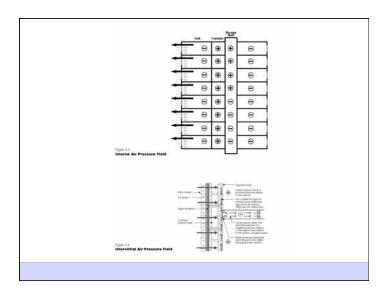


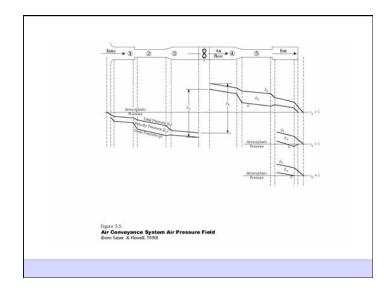




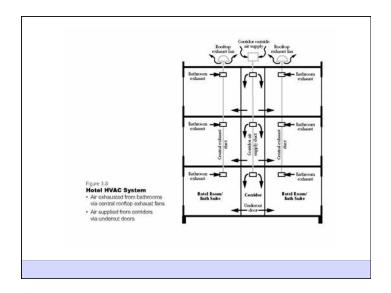






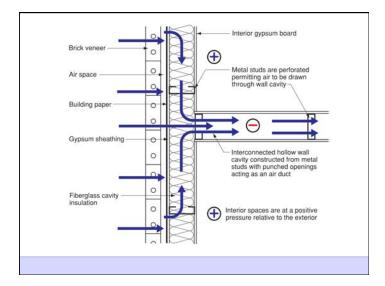


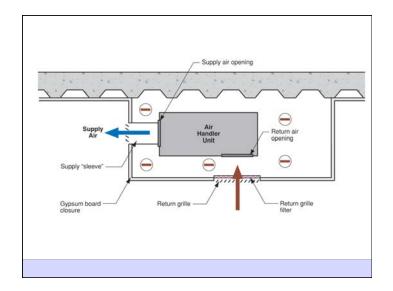


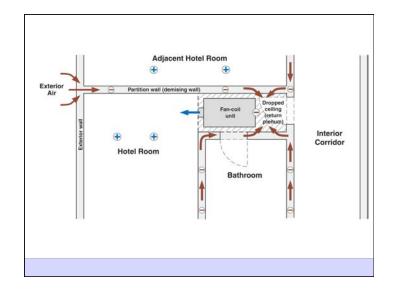






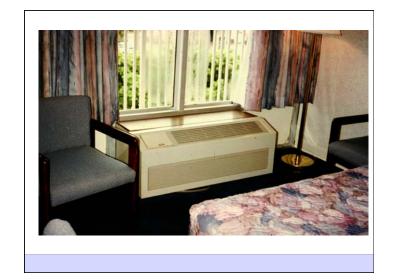


















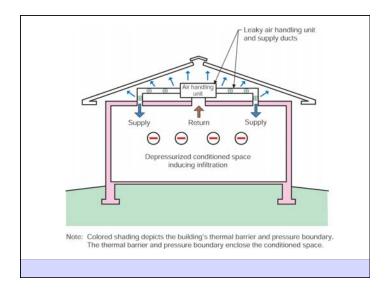


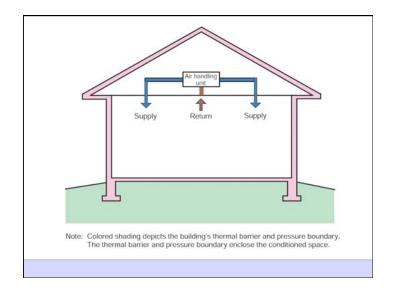








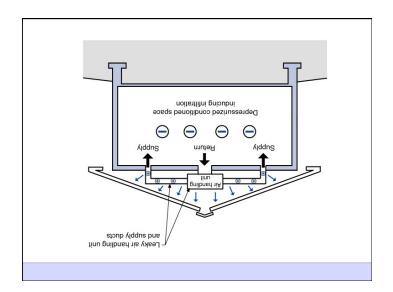


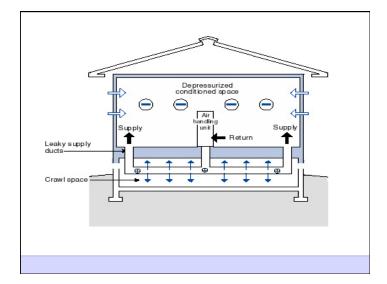






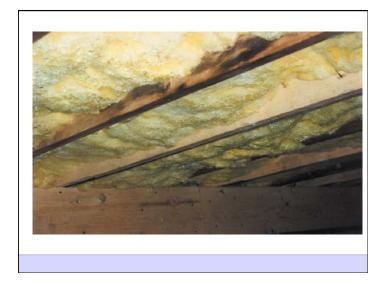




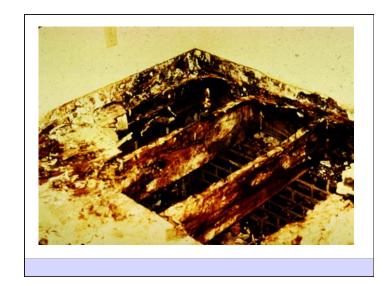






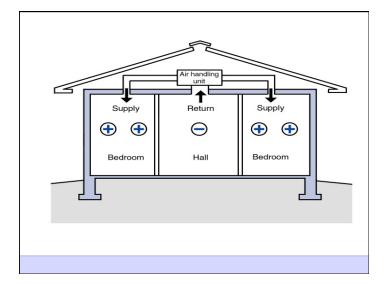


















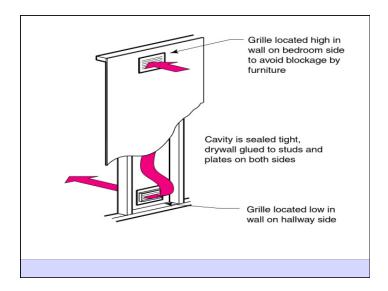




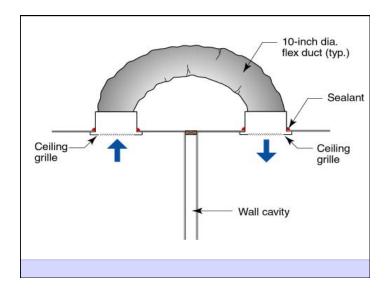




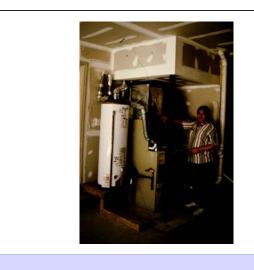












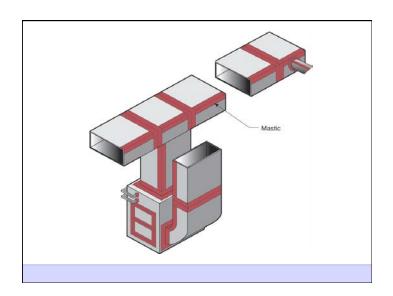








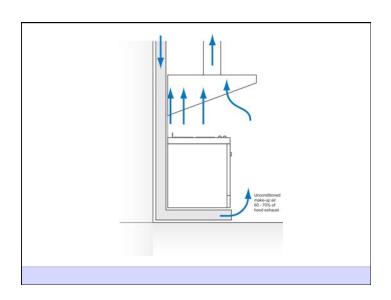




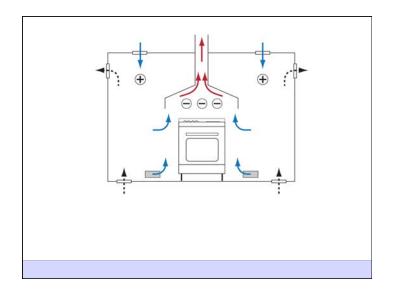


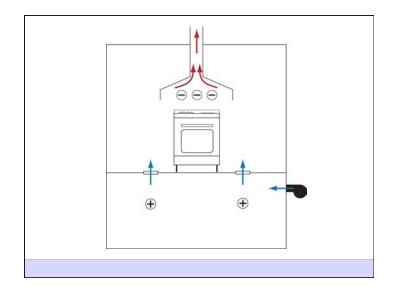


Kitchen Exhaust Hoods



















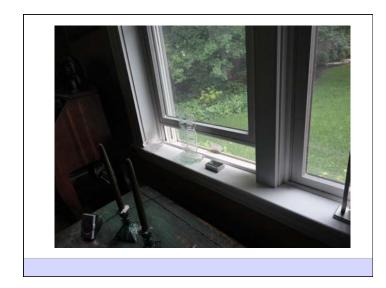
Clothes Dryers





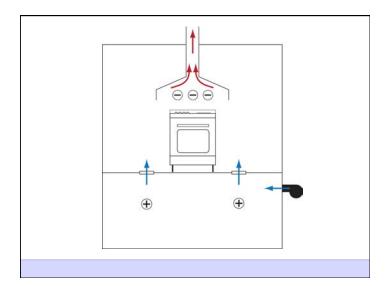
Fireplaces











Build Tight - Ventilate Right

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Air Barrier Metrics

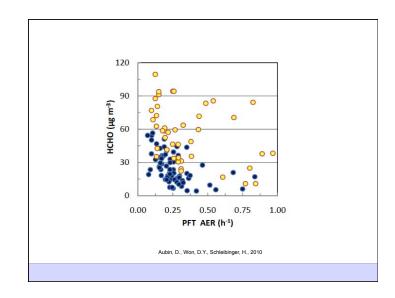
Material 0.02 l/(s-m2) @ 75 Pa Assembly 0.20 l/(s-m2) @ 75 Pa Enclosure 2.00 l/(s-m2) @ 75 Pa

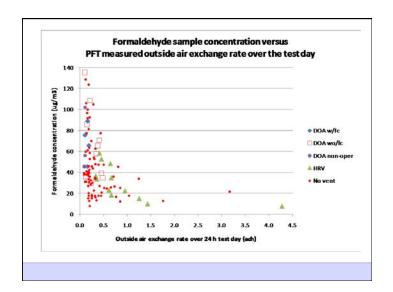
> 0.35 cfm/ft2 @ 50 Pa 0.25 cfm/ft2 @ 50 Pa 0.15 cfm/ft2 @ 50 Pa

Getting rid of big holes 3 ach@50
Getting rid of smaller holes 1.5 ach@50
Getting German 0.6 ach@50

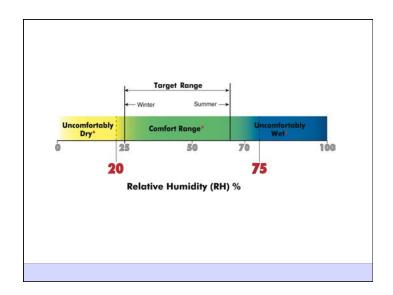
**Best** 

As Tight as Possible - with Balanced Ventilation
Energy Recovery
Distribution and Mixing
Source Control - Spot exhaust ventilation
Filtration
Material selection

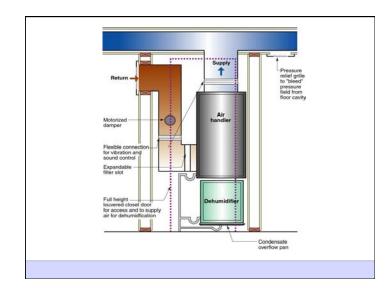




Dilution Is Not The Solution To Indoor Pollution Source Control Dilution For People Source Control For The Building



Recommended Range of Relative Humidity
Above 25 percent during winter
Below 70 percent during summer





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