# Air Leakage Test Report

In compliance with ASTM E-779 (2019)

#### Holistic Test and Balance



Single Story Residence

Building Address: 205 SW Madison Court

Lakecity, Columbia

FL USA 32024

Performed for: Ronnie Shuman

Performed by: LU / JB
Test date: 2024-07-26

Associated Test file: ASTM2019 2024-07-26 0846

Report Number: 000045982

Unique Property ID Number:

# **Summary Single Story Residence**

retrotec FanTestic	version: <b>5.15.86</b>	licensed to: Holistic Test and Balance
Test date: 2024-07-26	By: LU / JB	
Customer:	Ronnie Shuman	
Building Lot Number:		
Building address:	205 SW Madison Court	
	Lakecity, Columbia	
	FL	
	USA	
	32024	

Building and Test Information	
Test file name:	ASTM2019 2024-07-26 0846
Building volume [cu ft]:	22,600
Envelope Area [sq ft]:	2,260
Floor Area [sq ft]:	2,260
Building Height (from ground to top) [ft]:	19.5
Altitude [ft]:	115

Results	
CFM at 50 Pa:	2546.1
Leakage Area (EqLA) [sq in]:	253.5
Leakage Area (EfLA) [sq in]:	132.2
Air Changes per hour ACH50:	6.76

# Compliance

# **Assumptions and warnings**

# **Building Information Single Story Residence**

# **Building Measurements**

Building Volume [cu ft]: 22,600

Envelope Area ( $A_E$ ) [sq ft]: 2,260

(defined as the area of external walls plus the area of the roof and ground floor.)

Net Floor Area (A<sub>f</sub>) [sq ft]: 2,260

Building Height (from ground to top) [ft]: 19.5

# Heating/Ventilation System

**HVAC Systems Present:** 

### **Pictures**



### **Test Method**

All intentional openings were set to the operating condition expected during occupancy.

#### **Discussion of Results**

#### Leakage rate

The measured air flow at a test pressure of 50 Pa was 2546.1 CFM which equates to an equivalent leakage area of 253.5 sq in, based on adding up the leakage from all the holes and cracks in the exterior.

This leakage also equates to a one inch gap, 21.13 feet long. The building leaks as if there is one hole this size in the wall.

Air leakage in your ducts to the outdoors was not measured in this test but can greatly increase the above loss rate and can also cause air quality problems. Repairing this type of duct leakage should be the first priority.

### Safety concerns

Whenever changes are made to house and duct leakage, a thorough evaluation of the "house as a system" will optimize comfort, energy and air quality while ensuring a higher degree of safety and protecting the integrity of the structure of the building.

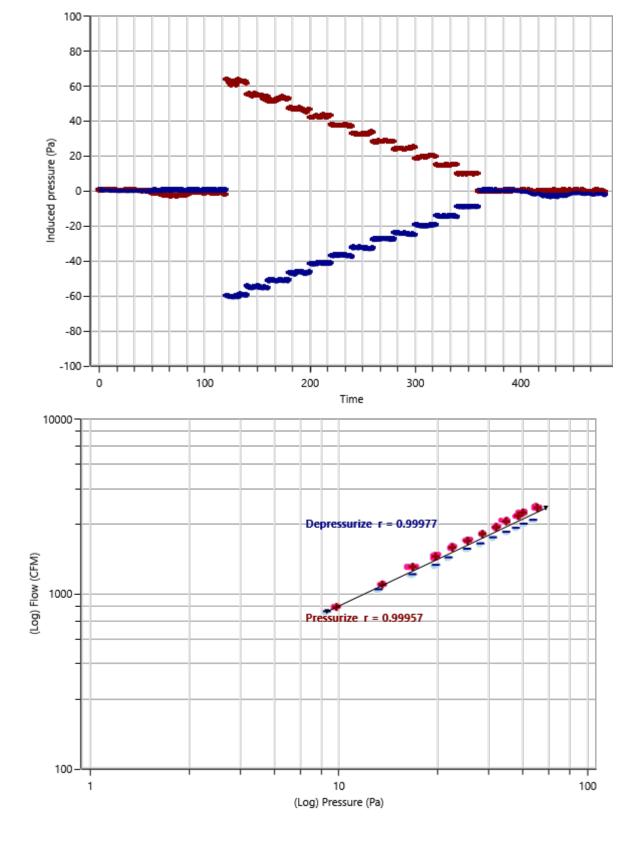
#### Ventilation

The air in the building will be replaced with outdoor air every 8.88 minutes on average. That is about 6.76 air changes each hour.

According to the ASHRAE standard 62.2, the building does not require any additional ventilation even when windows and doors are closed. Bringing in air from a clean outdoor location and removing stale indoor air from kitchens, bathrooms and other locations may still be important in order to improve air quality. If air sealing work is undertaken, the air leakage rate must be re-measured to determine ventilation requirements based on the new leakage rate.

# Combined Test Data (Average Values)

	Results	Uncertainty
Air flow <sub>STP</sub> , [CFM at 50 Pa]	2546.1	+/-0.9%
Air change rate at 50 Pa [/h]	6.76	+/-0.9%
Flow per unit floor area at 50 Pa [CFM/sq ft]	1.127	+/-0.9%
Flow per unit envelope area at 50 Pa [CFM/sq ft]	1.127	+/-0.9%
Equivalent leakage area at 10 Pa [sq in]	253.5	+/-1.5%
LBL Effective leakage area at 4 Pa [sq in]	132.2	+/-2.6%
LEED Permeability at 4 Pa [sq in/ 100 sq ft]	5.848	+/-2.6%



# Air Leakage Test Data Appendix- Single Story Residence

# Depressurize Data Set 1

Test Dataset Date: 2024-07-26 Start time: 11:03:15 UTC-5

Environmental Conditions		
Wind speed:	1	from the WSW
Operator Location:	Inside the building	
Initial Bias Pressure:	0.48 Pa	
Final Bias Pressure:	-0.90 Pa	
Average Bias Pressure:	-0.21 Pa	
Initial Temperature:	indoors: 81 °F	outdoors: 85 °F
Final Temperature:	indoors: 81 °F	outdoors: 85 °F

Test Analysis	Results	Uncertainty
Height x Temperature difference:	78 ft °F	
Air leakage coefficient, C:	195 CFM/Pa <sup>n</sup>	+/- 3.38
Exponent, n:	0.636	+/- 1.510
Correlation coefficient, r:	0.99977	
Air flow <sub>STP</sub> :	2355.5 CFM at 50 Pa	+/-0.7
Air change rate, ACH:	6.254 air changes per hour at 50 Pa	+/-0.7
Flow per unit floor area:	1.042 CFM per sq ft at 50 Pa	+/-0.7
Flow per unit envelope area:	1.042 CFM per sq ft at 50 Pa	+/-0.7
Equivalent leakage area at 10 Pa [sq in]	249.1	+/-1.2
Effective leakage area at 4 Pa [sq in]	134.2	+/-2.0
LEED Permeability at 4 Pa [sq in/ 100 sq ft]	5.938	+/-2.0

Measu red		-60.1	-55.1	-51.2	-46.9	-41.5	-36.9	-32.7	-27.6	-24.5	-19.8	-14.5	-9.1
pressu re [Pa]													
Induce d Pressu re		-59.8	-54.9	-51.0	-46.7	-41.3	-36.7	-32.5	-27.3	-24.3	-19.6	-14.3	-8.9
[Pa]													
#1, Range A	Fan Press ure [Pa]	77.0	69.6	62.4	56.2	48.5	41.3	36.0	28.6	23.5			
	Flow [CFM ]	2606	2479	2347	2227	2069	1911	1784	1590	1441			
#1, Range B8	Fan Press ure [Pa]										86.7	59.4	
	Flow [CFM ]										1275	1046	

#1, Range	Fan Press												137. 4
B4	ure [Pa]												
	Flow [CFM ]												782. 4
Total		2605	2479	2347	2227	2069	1910	1783	1590	1441	1274	1045	782.
Flow		.96	.07	.24	.47	.03	.54	.77	.15	.45	.77	.52	349
[CFM]													
Correc		2658	2528	2394	2271	2110	1948	1819	1621	1470	1300	1066	797.
ted		.0	.6	.1	.9	.3	.7	.4	.9	.2	.2	.4	97
Flow													
[CFM]													
Error		0.0%	0.5%	-	0.1%	0.5%	-	0.9%	0.3%	-	-	-	1.1%
[%]				0.3%			0.1%			1.9%	0.6%	0.4%	

12 induced pressures each taken for 20 of the required 20 seconds.

Total of 108 readings taken before test over 97 s of the required 120 s.

Total of 108 readings taken after test over 97 s of the required 120 s.

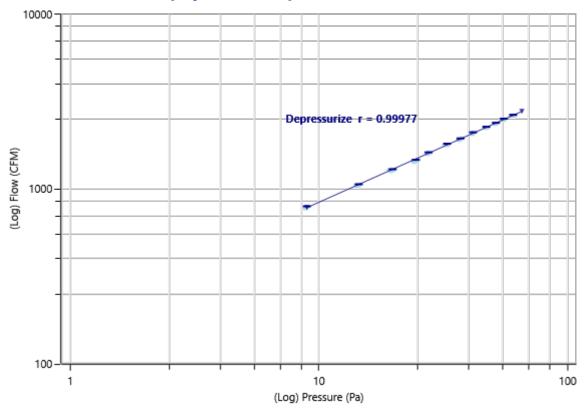
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Average Baseline, ΔP: -0.21 Pa

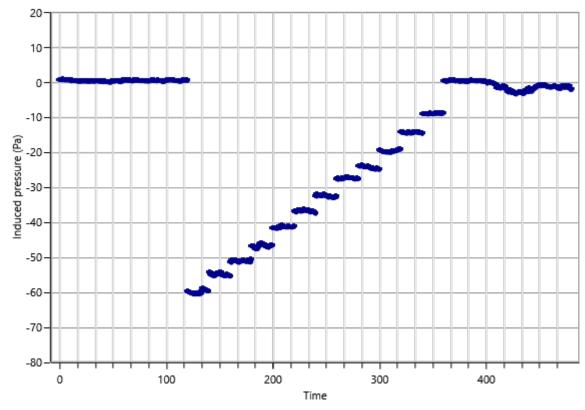
Static Pressure Averages:			
Average Baseline [Pa]	ΔΡ -0.21		
initial [Pa]	ΔΡ01 0.48	ΔΡ01- 0.00	ΔΡ01+ 0.48
final [Pa]	ΔΡ02 -0.90	ΔΡ021.56	ΔΡ02+ 0.43

Baseline, initial [Pa]	0.79	0.43	0.37	0.38	0.22	0.40	0.57	0.56	0.49	0.44	0.64	0.50
Baseline, final [Pa]	0.49	0.40	0.44	0.39	-0.21	-1.49	-2.77	-2.66	-1.62	-1.00	-1.38	-1.36

### Flow vs Induced Pressure (Depressurize Set)



## **Building Gauge Pressure (Depressurize Set)**



## Pressurize Data Set 2

Test Dataset Date: 2024-07-26 Start time: 11:19:05 UTC-5

Environmental Conditions		
Wind speed:	1	from the WSW
Operator Location:	Inside the building	
{STM3158}Greatest Baseline Pressure	Pa	
Point:		
Initial Bias Pressure:	-0.90 Pa	
Final Bias Pressure:	0.12 Pa	
Average Bias Pressure:	-0.39 Pa	
Initial Temperature:	indoors: 81 °F	outdoors: 85 °F
Final Temperature:	indoors: 81 °F	outdoors: 85 °F

Test Analysis	Results	Uncertainty
Height x Temperature difference:	78 ft °F	
Air leakage coefficient, C:	171 CFM/Pa <sup>n</sup>	+/- 5.20
Exponent, n:	0.707	+/- 2.057
Correlation coefficient, r:	0.99957	
Air flow <sub>STP</sub> :	2736.6 CFM at 50 Pa	+/-1.1
Air change rate:	7.265 air changes / hour at	+/-1.1
	50 Pa	
Flow per unit floor area:	1.211 CFM per sq ft at 50 Pa	+/-1.1
Flow per unit envelope area:	1.211 CFM per sq ft at 50 Pa	+/-1.1
Equivalent leakage area at 10 Pa [sq in]	257.9	+/-1.8
Effective leakage area at 4 Pa [sq in]	130.1	+/-3.1
LEED Permeability at 4 Pa [sq in/ 100 sq	5.757	+/-3.1
ft]		

Measu red pressu re [Pa]		61.9	54.0	51.8	46.2	42.1	37.1	32.3	27.9	23.9	19.2	14.4	9.3
Induce d Pressu re [Pa]		62.3	54.4	52.2	46.6	42.5	37.4	32.7	28.3	24.3	19.6	14.8	9.7
#1, Range A	Fan Press ure [Pa]	171. 7	150. 7	140. 4	122. 9	107. 7	92.1	78.2	66.4	54.3			

	Flow [CFM	3112	2919	2795	2602	2406	2204	2014	1844	1640			
#1, Range B8	Fan Press ure [Pa]										127. 1	83.8	
	Flow [CFM ]										1430	1134	
#1, Range B4	Fan Press ure [Pa]												168. 4
	Flow [CFM ]												843. 8
Total Flow [CFM]		3112 .18	2919 .48	2795 .46	2602 .19	2406 .32	2204 .49	2014	1844 .16	1639 .57	1430 .49	1134 .34	843. 838
Correc ted Flow [CFM]		3137	2943 .0	.9 .9	2623 .1	.7 .7	.2	2030 .6	1859 .0	1652 .8	.0	.5	850. 63
Error [%]		- 2.0%	1.2%	- 0.2%	0.6%	- 0.7%	- 0.5%	0.1%	1.4%	0.6%	2.0%	- 1.3%	- 0.9%

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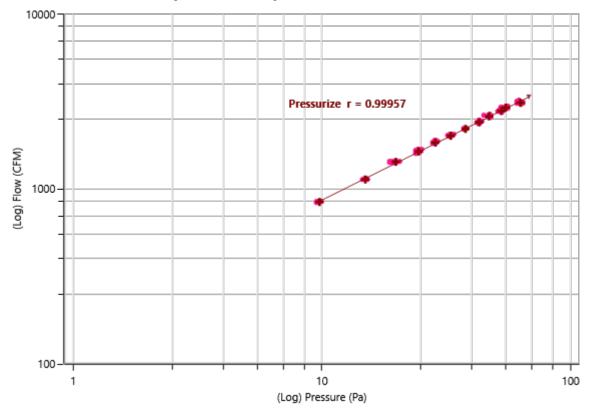
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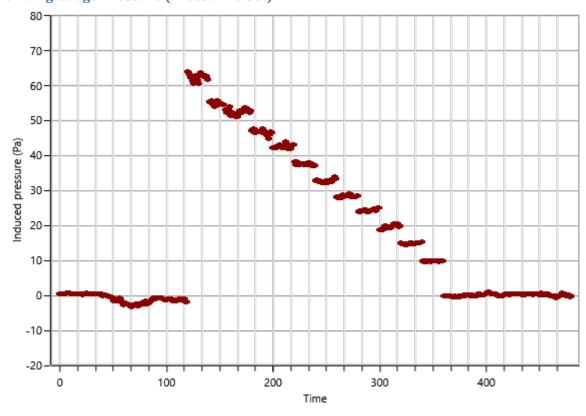
Static Pressure Averages:			
Average [Pa]	ΔΡ -0.39	Number of readings ({2-	
		StaticReadingsCount})	
initial [Pa]	ΔΡ01 -0.90	ΔΡ011.56	ΔΡ01+ 0.43
final [Pa]	ΔΡ02 0.12	ΔΡ020.20	ΔΡ02+ 0.28

Baseline, initial	0.49	0.40	0.44	0.39	-	-	-	-	-	-1.00	-1.38	-1.36
[Pa]					0.21	1.49	2.77	2.66	1.62			
Baseline, final	-	-	-	0.16	0.54	0.06	0.30	0.33	0.37	0.34	-0.18	0.12
[Pa]	0.28	0.27	0.08									

### Flow vs Induced Pressure (Pressurize Set)



## **Building Gauge Pressure (Pressurize Set)**



# **Test Equipment**

The following test equipment was used in the performance of the air leakage tests.

	Fan	Fan serial	Fan location	Gauge	Gauge serial	Gauge Calibration
#1	Retrotec 5000	5FN100809	FrontDoor	DM32	407586	2023-03-27

# Fan Calibration Certificate Retrotec 5000:

Range	n		K		K1		K2	КЗ		К4	MF		
Open	0.498900 64 557.4		.458454	1 0		0.3	0		1 10				
A	0.498739		298.711326 0			0.4000 0001	0		1	20			
B8	0.525	5556	122	.191485	0		0.7	0		1	35		
Polynomi al Range	g	f	<u> </u>	а		b		ı	С	d	1	K2	MF
B4	50	0.45 867		0.0000279144 442		-0.020530773		7.085668 77	105.3 6075		0.8	35	
В2	50	0.50 911		0.0000137712 442		-0.010567453		3.670797 56	- 22.4 7667		1	50	
B1	50	0.11 155		0.00000 453	47626	-0.00397780		05	1.586794 84	0.51 807	215	1	60
B74	25	0.15	5	0.00000	0796	-0	-0.0009501		0.59	18		0.8	35
B47	25	0.09	)	0.00000 432	02690	-0	.0003590	55	0.2435	12.0	5	1	50
B29	25	-0.0	2	0.00000	0111	-0	.000149		0.092	4.4		0.6	50

Fan Pressure (FP) is the measured fan pressure when using a self-referenced fan or when Room Pressure (RP) is negative. If using a fan which is not self-referenced, and Room Pressure is positive, Fan Pressure is calculated by subtracting the measured Room Pressure from the Absolute Value of the Fan Pressure.

If PrA>0 and fan is not self-referencing: FP = |PrB|-PrA

If PrA<0 or fan is self-referencing: FP = PrB

Flow calculations are not valid if Fan Pressure is less than either MF or  $(K2 \times |RP|)$ .

Flow in CFM using the above coefficients is calculated as follows for standard Ranges:

$$flow = (FP - (|RP| \times K1))^N \times (K + (K3 \times FP))$$

Flow in CFM using the above polynomial coefficients is calculated as follows:

$$flow = (a \times FP^3) + (b \times FP^2) + (c \times FP) + d + ((g - |RP|) \times f)$$