

Simple Heating System Size: Washington State

This heating system sizing calculator is based on the Prescriptive Requirements of the 2015 Washington State Energy Code (WSEC) and ACCA Manuals J and S. This calculator will calculate heating loads only. ACCA procedures for sizing cooling systems should be used to determine cooling loads.

Please fill out all of the green drop-downs and boxes that are applicable to your project. As you make selections in the drop-downs for each section, some values will be calculated for you. If you do not see the selection you need in the drop-down options, please call the WSU Energy Extension Program at (360) 956-2042 for assistance.

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Heating System Type:

All Other Systems Heat Pump

To see detailed instructions for each section, place your cursor on the word "Instructions".

Design Temperature

Instructions

Mercer Island

Design Temperature Difference (ΔT)
 $\Delta T = \text{Indoor (70 degrees)} - \text{Outdoor Design Temp}$

45

Area of Building

Conditioned Floor Area

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Conditioned Floor Area (sq ft)

2,656

Average Ceiling Height

Instructions

Average Ceiling Height (ft)

8.8

Conditioned Volume
 23,375

Glazing and Doors

Instructions

U-0.28

U-Factor X Area = UA
 0.280 X 911 = 255.02

Skylights

Instructions

U-Factor X Area = UA
 0.50 X 0 = ---

Insulation

Attic

Instructions

R-49

U-Factor X Area = UA
 0.026 X 0 = ---

Single Rafter or Joist Vaulted Ceilings

Instructions

R-38 Vented

U-Factor X Area = UA
 0.027 X 590 = 15.93

Above Grade Walls (see Figure 1)

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R-21 Intermediate

U-Factor X Area = UA
 0.056 X 1,816 = 101.70

Floors

Instructions

R-38

U-Factor X Area = UA
 0.025 X 867 = 21.68

Below Grade Walls (see Figure 1)

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R-21 int plus R-5 ci

U-Factor X Area = UA
 0.028 X 475 = 13.30

Slab Below Grade (see Figure 1)

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R-10 Fully insulated

F-Factor X Length = UA
 0.303 X 152 = 45.93

Slab on Grade (see Figure 1)

Instructions

Select R-Value

F-Factor X Length = UA
 No selection X 0 = ---

Location of Ducts

Instructions

Unconditioned Space

Duct Leakage Coefficient

1.10

Sum of UA 453.56

Envelope Heat Load 20,410 Btu / Hour
Sum of UA X ΔT

Air Leakage Heat Load 11,360 Btu / Hour
Volume X 0.6 X ΔT X .018

Building Design Heat Load 31,770 Btu / Hour
Air Leakage + Envelope Heat Loss

Building and Duct Heat Load 34,947 Btu / Hour
*Ducts in unconditioned space: Sum of Building Heat Loss X 1.10
 Ducts in conditioned space: Sum of Building Heat Loss X 1*

Maximum Heat Equipment Output 48,926 Btu / Hour
*Building and Duct Heat Loss X 1.40 for Forced Air Furnace
 Building and Duct Heat Loss X 1.25 for Heat Pump*

Figure 1.

