

the radiator and the air in the room, and is expressed in Btu or *Mb* per hour.

Standard test conditions specify either a steam pressure of 1 lb gage 15.6 lb per square inch absolute (215 F) or an average hot water temperature of 170 F and a room temperature of 70 F (5 ft above floor) for radiators, or an inlet air temperature of 65 F for convectors. The heating capacity of a *steam radiator* or *steam convector* is determined as follows:

$$H_t = W_s h_{fg} \quad (2)$$

where

H_t = Btu per hour under test conditions.

W_s = condensation in pounds per hour.

h_{fg} = latent heat in Btu per pound.

TABLE 5. CORRECTION FACTORS FOR DIRECT CAST-IRON RADIATORS AND CONVECTORS^a

Gage Vacuum In. Hg.	Abs. Lb per Sq In.	HEATING MEDIUM TEMP. F OR WATER	FACTORS FOR DIRECT CAST-IRON RADIATORS								FACTORS FOR CONVECTORS							
			ROOM TEMPERATURE F								INLET AIR TEMPERATURE F							
			80	75	70	65	60	55	50	80	75	70	65	60	55	50	80	75
22.4	3.7	150	2.58	2.36	2.17	2.00	1.86	1.73	1.62	3.14	2.83	2.57	2.35	2.15	1.98	1.84	1.84	1.71
20.3	4.7	160	2.17	2.00	1.86	1.73	1.62	1.52	1.44	2.57	2.35	2.15	1.98	1.84	1.71	1.59	1.59	1.40
17.7	6.0	170	1.86	1.73	1.62	1.52	1.44	1.35	1.28	2.15	1.98	1.84	1.71	1.59	1.49	1.32	1.24	1.11
14.6	7.5	180	1.62	1.52	1.44	1.35	1.28	1.21	1.15	1.84	1.71	1.59	1.49	1.40	1.32	1.24	1.17	1.05
10.9	9.3	190	1.44	1.35	1.28	1.21	1.15	1.10	1.05	1.59	1.49	1.40	1.32	1.24	1.17	1.11	1.05	0.91
6.5	11.5	200	1.28	1.21	1.15	1.10	1.05	1.00	0.96	1.40	1.32	1.24	1.17	1.11	1.05	1.00	0.95	0.87
Lb per Sq In.																		
1	15.6	215	1.10	1.05	1.00	0.96	0.92	0.88	0.85	1.17	1.11	1.05	1.00	0.95	0.91	0.87	0.83	0.79
6	21	230	0.96	0.92	0.88	0.85	0.81	0.78	0.76	1.00	0.95	0.91	0.87	0.83	0.79	0.76	0.72	0.68
15	30	250	0.81	0.78	0.76	0.73	0.70	0.68	0.66	0.83	0.79	0.76	0.73	0.70	0.68	0.65	0.62	0.59
27	42	270	0.70	0.68	0.66	0.64	0.62	0.60	0.58	0.70	0.68	0.65	0.63	0.60	0.58	0.56	0.53	0.51
52	67	300	0.58	0.57	0.55	0.53	0.52	0.51	0.49	0.56	0.54	0.53	0.51	0.49	0.48	0.47	0.45	0.43

^aTo determine the size of a radiator or a convector for a given space, divide the heat loss in Btu per hour by 240 and multiply the result by the proper factor from the above table.

To determine the heating capacity of a radiator or a convector under conditions other than the basic ones with the heating medium at a temperature of 215 F, and the room temperature at 70 F in the case of a radiator, and the inlet air temperature at 65 F in the case of a convector, divide the heating capacities at the basic conditions by the proper factor from the above table.

H_t may be converted to standard conditions of code ratings by using the proper correction factor from the following formulae:

For radiators:

$$C_s = \left(\frac{215 - 70}{T_s - T_r} \right)^{1.5}$$

For convectors:

$$C_s = \left(\frac{215 - 65}{T_s - T_i} \right)^{1.5} \quad (3)$$

The output under standard conditions will be:

$$H_s = C_s H_t \quad (4)$$

where

C_s = correction factor.

T_s = steam temperature during test, degrees Fahrenheit.

T_r = room temperature during test, degrees Fahrenheit.

T_i = inlet air temperature during test, degrees Fahrenheit.

H_s = heat emission rating under standard conditions, Btu per hour.

Similarly, for *hot water convectors*, the output under test conditions may be determined as follows:

$$H = W (\theta_1 - \theta_2) \frac{3600}{t} \quad (5)$$

where

H = Btu per hour under test conditions.

W = pounds of water handled during test.

θ_1 = average temperature of inlet water, degrees Fahrenheit.

θ_2 = average temperature of outlet water, degrees Fahrenheit.

t = duration of test, seconds.

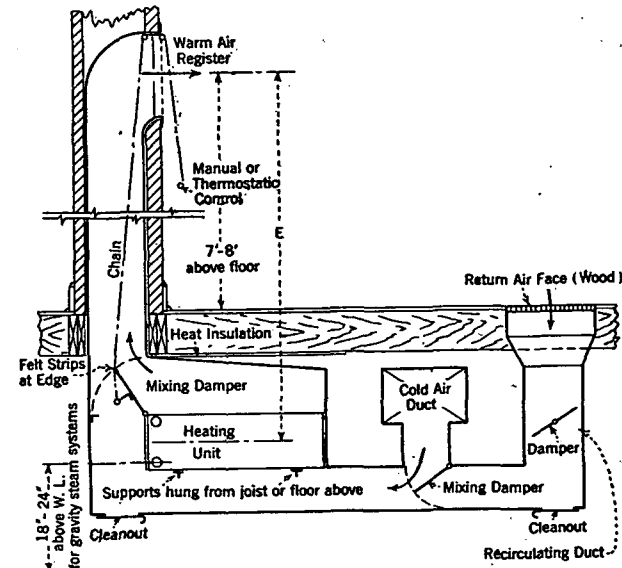


FIG. 8. GRAVITY-INDIRECT HEATING SYSTEM

To convert test results to standard conditions, the following correction factor is used:

$$C = \left(\frac{170 - 65}{\frac{\theta_1 + \theta_2}{2} - T_i} \right)^{1.5} = \left(\frac{105}{\frac{\theta_1 + \theta_2}{2} - T_i} \right)^{1.5} \quad (6)$$

It has been shown that when the exponent 1.5 is used the range of error is less than 3 per cent¹⁵ for convectors.

¹⁵Loc. Cit. Note 12.