SUCCESS WITH LOUISIANA ENERGY CODE

Recommended Practices for Optimized Energy Savings For Builders/Trades & Code Officials





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- Grade 1
- Completely fill the cavity
- In contact with the air barrier
- Avoid the fatal flaws!





Installation Practices That Reduce R-value

- Gaps
- Voids
- Compression
- Misalignment
- Wind intrusion



What's the best type?

Installation

- <u>JC 1:</u> For vented attics, install wind baffles on top of all exterior walls, leaving room for insulation over top plates and ventilation above.
- <u>JC 2:</u> Install insulation to meet the Louisiana Energy Code R-value requirements.
- <u>JC 3:</u> For exterior foundation insulation, install without gaps, voids, misalignment or compression, and with a rigid, opaque and weather-resistant protective covering.
- JC 4: For exterior wall insulation, install without gaps, voids, misalignment or compression.
- <u>JC 5:</u> Install insulation to fill the cavity between conditioned and unconditioned space without gaps, voids, misalignments or compression.
- <u>JC 6:</u> Cut and split insulation around blocking, plumbing, HVAC and electrical components.
- <u>JC 7:</u> Install insulation to completely fill floor and/or cantilever framing or to maintain permanent contact with the subfloor.
- JC 8: Air seal around windows and doors using backer rod, caulk or low expansion foam.
- <u>JC 9:</u> Insulate the attic access to the same level as surroundings and install weather stripping around the perimeter.
- JC 10: For attics with loose fill insulation, install baffles around the attic access opening.



JC 1: For vented attics, install wind baffles on top of all exterior walls, leaving room for insulation over top plates and ventilation above.

- How
- Why
- What to avoid



How? Specify locations Install over top plate





Is it okay to see insulation?





JC 2: Install insulation to meet the Louisiana Energy Code R-value requirements.



JC 3: For exterior foundation insulation, install without gaps, voids, misalignment or compression, and with a rigid, opaque and weather-resistant protective covering.



JC 4: For exterior wall insulation, install without gaps, voids, misalignment or compression.



JC 5: Install insulation to fill the cavity between conditioned and unconditioned space without gaps, voids, misalignments or compression.

- How
- Why
- What to avoid









GAPS: little adds up to BIG losses

VOIDS: Does everyone know what IC means?



MISALIGNMENT: insulation touching drywall?

COMPRESSION: score that insulation!





JC 6: Cut and split insulation around blocking, plumbing, HVAC and electrical components.

- How
- Why
- What to avoid



How?

Prep, cut and split







What can make the job easier?



JC 7: Install insulation to completely fill floor and/or cantilever framing or to maintain permanent contact with the subfloor.

- How
- Why
- What to avoid



How? Install to touch floor OR fill cavity







Where should the insulation be?



JC 8: Air seal around windows and doors using backer rod, caulk or low expansion foam.

- How
- Why
- What to avoid











JC 9: Insulate the attic access to the same level as surroundings and install weather stripping around the perimeter.

- How
- Why
- What to avoid





How?

- Cut access doors to fit
- Install weather stripping
- Mechanically fasten insulation



Who's taking care of this spot?







JC 10: For attics with loose fill insulation, install baffles around the attic access opening.

- How
- Why
- What to avoid



How? Install blocking/baffles



