

## **Preparing for DOE Compliance on Walk-In Coolers and Freezers**

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## **Polling Questions**

### How many years of experience do you have with the refrigeration industry?

- Less than 1 year
- 1–5 years
- 5–10 years
- More than 10 years

### How familiar are you with the DOE 2020 walk-in regulations?

- Extremely familiar
- Somewhat familiar
- Not at all familiar

How prepared do you feel for the DOE walk-in requirements coming in 2020?

- Extremely prepared
- Somewhat prepared
- Not at all prepared

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## **Ruling Overview**



## **Final Ruling**

- In a final rule published on June 3, 2014, the Department of Energy (DOE) prescribed performance-based standards for walk-in coolers and freezers (WICFs).
- After issuing test procedures and publishing an updated ruling, on July 10, 2017, the DOE issued its final rule governing energy conservation standards for WICFs.



**DOE 2020 Regulations Will Impact Walk-In Refrigeration Products.** 



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## **AWEF Calculation**

- DOE uses a metric created by the Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI) called the Annual Walk-In Energy Factor (AWEF).
- AWEF calculation is based on:

"a ratio of the total heat, not including the heat generated by the operation" of refrigeration systems, removed, in Btu, from a walk-in box during a one-year period of usage for refrigeration to the total energy input of refrigeration systems, in watt-hours, during the same period."

For more details, please reference the AHRI 1250-2009 standard.

### DOE Uses the AWEF Metric to Calculate Efficiency.

## **AWEF Refrigeration Requirements**

AWEF refrigeration requirements vary based upon capacity and application:

Equipment Class	Minimum AWEF (Btu/W-h)	
Dedicated condensing system — medium, indoor	5.61	
Dedicated condensing system — medium, outdoor	7.60	
Dedicated condensing system — low, indoor with a net capacity (q <sub>net</sub> *) of:		
< 6,500 Btu/h	9.091 × 10 <sup>-5</sup> × q <sub>net</sub> + 1.81	
≥ 6,500 Btu/h	2.40	
Dedicated condensing system — low, outdoor with a net capacity (q <sub>net</sub> ) of:		
< 6,500 Btu/h	$6.522 \times 10^{-5} \times q_{net} + 2.73$	
≥ 6,500 Btu/h	3.15	
Unit cooler — medium	9.00	
Unit cooler — low, with a net capacity (q <sub>net</sub> ) of:		
< 15,500 Btu/h	1.575 × 10 <sup>-5</sup> × q <sub>net</sub> + 3.91	
≥ 15,500 Btu/h	4.15	

\*q<sub>net</sub> is net capacity as determined in accordance with §431.304 and certified in accordance with 10 CFR part 429.

Please reference federal law for panel and door requirements.

AWEF Requirements Vary by Capacity and Application.

## **Refrigerant Requirements**

The DOE <u>does not</u> specify the kind of refrigerant that should be used to achieve compliance; however, ratings will vary by refrigerant.

For additional information on refrigerant regulations, please visit our regulations webpage at:

Climate.Emerson.com/Refrigeration-Regulations

AWEF Requirements Vary by Refrigerant.





## **Compliance Dates**

Although the compliance date for a dedicated condensing system for medium-temperature applications has been in place since June 5, 2017, the DOE has *delayed enforcement* for this product category until the dates shown below:

Application (CDU)		Enforcement Date	
Medium-Temp	Indoor	loculor (1, 2020)	
	Outdoor	January 1, 2020	
Low-Temp	Indoor	Luby 10, 2020	
	Outdoor	July 10, 2020	



### **Enforcement Dates Will Begin in 2020.**

## Scope and Definitions

### Scope of Ruling:

- Enclosed walk-in coolers and freezers that can be walked into and have a total chilled storage area of less than 3,000 square feet
- Applies to condensing units and unit coolers designed to provide <u>one</u> refrigerated load
- Products designed and marketed exclusively for medical, scientific or research purposes are excluded from this ruling.

### **Definition of Walk-In Coolers and Freezers:**

- "Walk-in cooler" enclosed storage space refrigerated to temperatures above 32 degrees Fahrenheit
- "Walk-in freezer" enclosed storage space refrigerated to temperatures at or below 32 degrees Fahrenheit

### **DOE 2020 Regulations Will Impact Walk-In Refrigeration Products.**



## Scope and Definitions (cont.)

# DOE rule impacts the following WICF refrigeration systems:

- Condensing units that are assembled to construct a **new WICF**
- Condensing units that are used to replace an existing, previously installed WICF component (retrofit)
- Condensing units used within packaged systems

*Important note:* Contractors and wholesalers can still use and stock condensing units that were manufactured before the DOE enforcement dates.



**DOE Rule Impacts Both New and Retrofit Applications.** 

## **WICF Products Not Impacted**

### WICF refrigeration equipment NOT impacted by this ruling:

- Equipment intended solely for scientific, medical or research purposes
- Condensing units solely designed and marketed to serve more than one WICF refrigerated load or other pieces of refrigeration equipment
- WICFs with floor space exceeding 3,000 square feet
- Compressor-based racks that serve multiple refrigeration loads
- Remote air-cooled condensers and fluid coolers not used for WICFs



Not All WICF Equipment Is Impacted by This Ruling.

## Industry Impact

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- Equipment manufacturers must manufacture compliant products and demonstrate certification and compliance in the following ways:
  - 1. Database registration (CCMS database)
  - 2. Marketing materials disclosure
  - 3. Permanent nameplate marking



**Regulations Impact All Commercial Refrigeration Stakeholders.** 





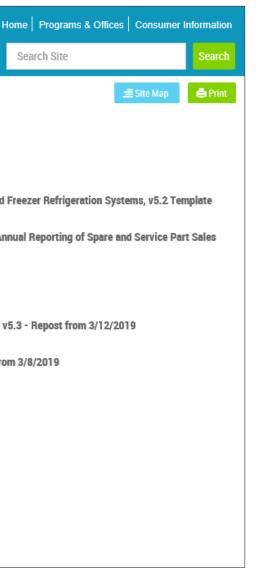


### Equipment Manufacturer Impact Database registration

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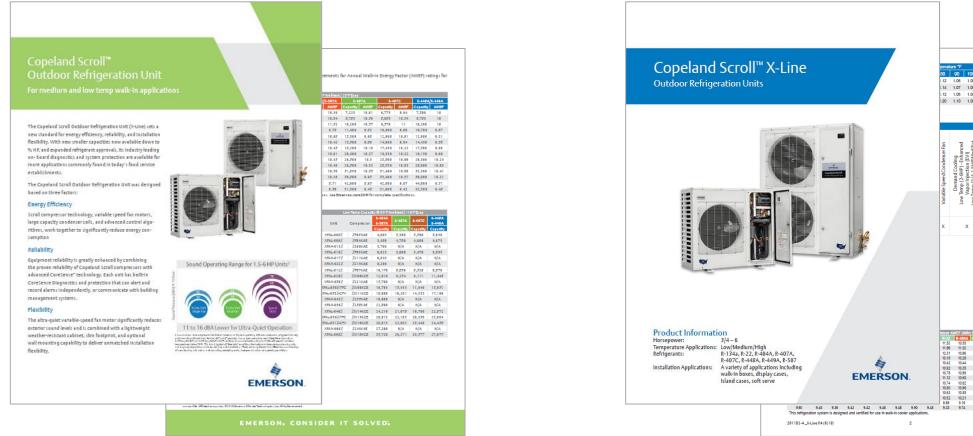
Database can be found here: <u>https://regulations.doe.gov/certification-data/#q=Product\_Group\_s%3A\*</u>

Manufacturers Must Submit Annual Certification Report.



### Equipment Manufacturer Impact Marketing material disclosure

WICF equipment and component manufacturers must disclose AWEF ratings in their respective marketing materials, such as product sales sheets and catalog listings of affected equipment.



### Manufacturers Must Disclose AWEF Ratings in Their Marketing Materials.

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### Equipment Manufacturer Impact Permanent nameplate marking

- DOE compliance statements:
  - "This refrigeration system is designed and certified for use in walk-in cooler applications."
  - "This refrigeration system is designed and certified for use in walk-in freezer applications."
  - "This refrigeration system is designed and certified for use in walk-in cooler and walk-in freezer applications."
- If the refrigeration system is a dedicated condensing refrigeration system, and is not designated for outdoor use, the statement "Indoor use only" will be displayed.
- AWEF scores are not mandated to be on nameplates; however, scores may be added at the discretion of the manufacturer.



### Manufacturers Must Follow Nameplate Requirements.

## Industry Impact

- Wholesalers must be prepared for changing inventories and begin to carry only AWEF-compliant products if they are manufactured **after** the 2020 enforcement date.
- **Contractors** must understand that if they replace a condensing unit with one manufactured after the DOE enforcement dates, it must be an AWEF-compliant unit. However, older units and inventory may still be used based upon the date of manufacturing.



**Regulations Impact All Commercial Refrigeration Stakeholders.** 



- **Design consultants** must be well-versed in the regulatory impacts to advise end users in the selection of energy-compliant, sustainable systems.
- End users need to consider selecting future-proof equipment that aligns with their long-term refrigeration strategies.



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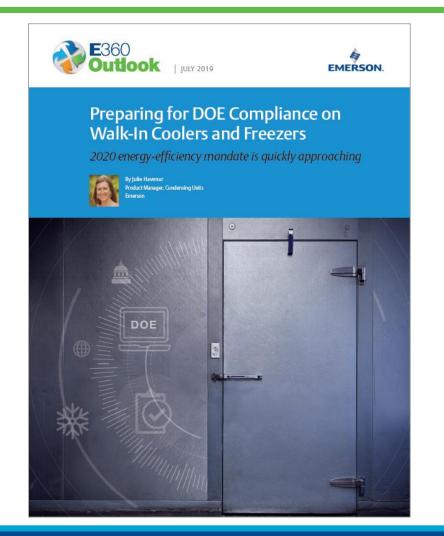
## How Emerson Can Help

- If you are interested in further training or information, please reach out to your Emerson sales representative or contact us at E360@Emerson.com.
- If you have additional questions regarding refrigerant regulations, please visit one of the following webpages:
  - Regulations Webpage: <u>Climate.Emerson.com/Webinar33</u>
  - E360 Content Hub: Climate.Emerson.com/E360ContentHub

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## **Additional Resources**

### **E360 Outlook Article**



### **FAQ Document**



### Energy Efficiency Rulemaking - Frequently Asked Questions

systems?

during the same period."

The following questions address the current energy efficiency requirements as mandated by the United States Department of Energy's (DOE) rulemaking on walk-in cooler and freezer (WICF) refrigeration systems based on the present status of the rulemaking. To read the final rule in its entirety, or to check for possible changes to the rulemaking, please visit the DOE's website.

The information provided in this document is intended for informational purposes only. To ensure compliance, owners and operators of refrigeration systems should make sure that they adequately understand the current state of applicable laws and regulations.

### Background

In a final rule published on June 3, 2014, the DOE prescribed performance-based standards for WICFs. These standards applied to refrigeration systems (condensing units and unit coolers), panels and doors, and were defined in minimum efficiency levels according to the annual walk-in efficiency factor (AWEF) for WICFs, R-value for walk-in panels, and maximum energy consumption for walk-in doors.

On Dec. 28, 2016, the DOE issued its AWEF test procedures for WICFs. But on March 21, 2017, the DOE published an updated final rule that delayed the effective date pertaining to WICF test procedures. On July 10, 2017, the DOE issued its final rule governing energy conservation standards for WICFs.

### **<u>Climate.Emerson.com/Webinar33</u>** See bottom of webpage for AWEF-related information.

### 1. What is the scope of the WICF rulemaking

The final rule addresses enclosed walk-in coolers and freezers the can be walked into and have a total chilled storage area of less than 3,000 square feet. With respect to the refrigeration system. the ruling applies to condensing units and unit coolers designed to provide one refrigeration load, such as those frequently used in restaurant WICFs. The ruling does not apply to products designed and marketed exclusively for medical, scientific or research purposes.

### 2. What is the efficiency metric used to test WICF refrigeration

To evaluate the energy efficiency of a complete WICF system, the DOE uses a metric created by the Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI) called the Annual Walk-In Energy Factor (AWEF). As defined by AHRI, the AWEF calculation is based on "a ratio of the total heat, not including the heat generated by the operation of refrigeration systems, removed, in Btu, from a walk-in box during a one-year period of usage for refrigeration to the total energy input of refrigeration systems, in watt-hours,

### 3. How does the DOE define walk-in coolers and freezers?

Per §431.302 of the DOE final rule, walk-in coolers and freezers are each defined as "an enclosed storage space refrigerated to temperatures, respectively, above, and at or below 32 degrees Fahrenheit that can be walked into, and has a total chilled storage area of less than 3,000 square feet."



## **Reference for Ruling**

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy

### Appliance and Equipment Standards Rulemakings and Notices

### EERE » Building Technologies Office » Appliance & Equipment Standards

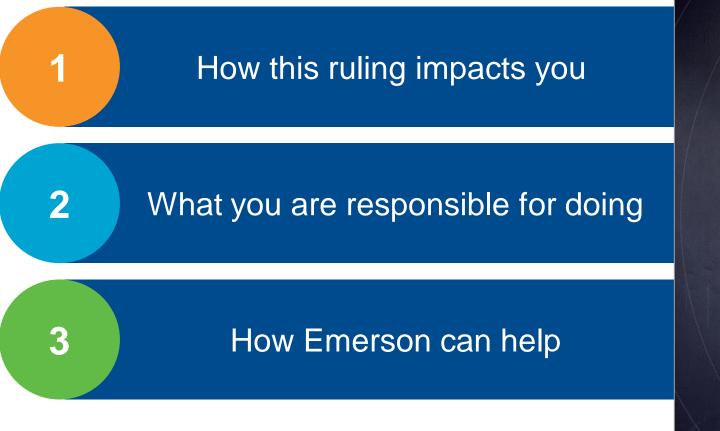
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Residential Buildings	below 32 degrees Fahrenheit that can be walked into, and has a					
Commercial Buildings	total chilled storage area of less than 3,000 square feet. The terms "walk-in cooler" and "walk-in freezer" do n products designed and marketed exclusively for medical, scientific, or research purposes. 10 CFR 431, Subp					
Appliance & Equipment Standards	Manufacturers have been required to comply with the U.S. Departme for WICFs since 2009.	nt of Energy (DOE) energy conservation				
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### **Standards Can Be Found on DOE Website.**

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## Key Takeaways





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## **Polling Questions**

### How prepared do you <u>now</u> feel for the DOE walk-in requirements coming in 2020?

- Extremely prepared
- Somewhat prepared
- Not at all prepared

### What, if any, additional information are you interested in receiving? (Check all that apply.)

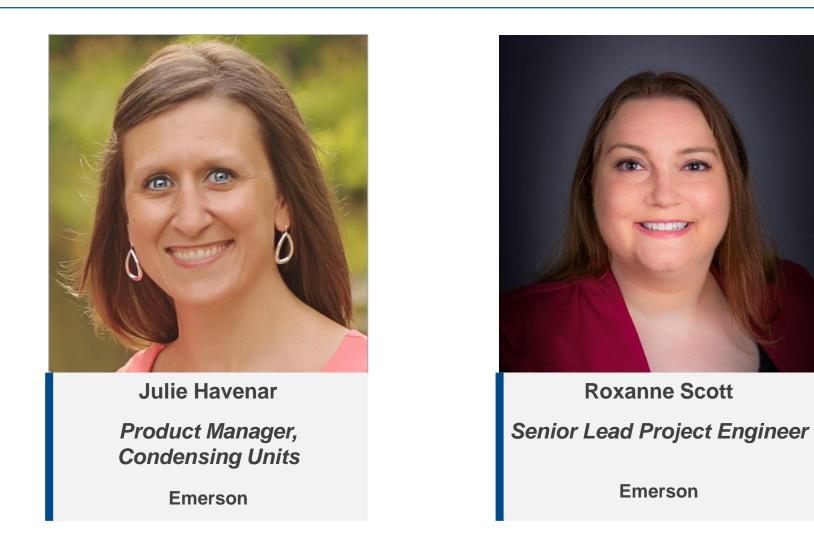
- Training for you and/or your company
- Training for your customers
- Emerson product information
- Other
- None of the above

**How Prepared Are You?** 

## Sources

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### **Question & Answer Panel Discussion**





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