



**Informal Interpretation Report
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Section 101.4.7.1.1

Question:

Is it the intent of 2010 Florida Building Code - Energy Conservation section 101.4.7.1.1 exception 3 to allow tests like blower door and repairs with other than fabric and mastic as allowed by the duct construction section 603 of the commercial code and section M1601.4 of the Residential code?

Answer

Yes, the duct system may be sealed with any approved closure method as specified in Energy Code Section 503.2.7.3.7 or Mechanical Code Table 603.

Commentary:

The residential energy code refers to the commercial section for closure methods to prevent duplication of information since both residential and commercial have the same sealing requirements.

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