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LEAFF and Condensation Index Implementation Details and Deadlines

NFRC is providing updated information regarding the scheduled LEAFF methodology mandatory implementation plan, sunsetting of the Condensation Resistance rating, and guidance for handling specific scenarios during the transition involving existing NFRC product lines and their continued certification.

Implementation Dates for the Mandatory Use of the LEAFF Methodology:

- Recertification of Product Lines – January 1, 2026
- New Product Lines – October 1, 2026
- Condensation Index (CI) rating only – October 1, 2026
- Condensation Resistance removed from Temporary Label – October 1, 2027

Condensation Index Rating:

- Beginning **October 1, 2026**, CI becomes the only accepted condensation rating on new product lines.
- Beginning **October 1, 2027**, the CI rating will be the only condensation rating to be included on the NFRC temporary label.
 - Certification participants with non-LEAFF product lines will be required to remove the Condensation Resistance rating from the NFRC temporary label by October 1, 2027.
- Condensation Resistance values shall remain in the Certified Products Directory (CPD) until the certification expires.
- During the one-year transition (October 1, 2026 – September 30, 2027), either the LEAFF CI or the non-LEAFF Condensation Resistance rating may be displayed on the NFRC temporary label, *not both*.

Current Product Line Certifications:

1. Existing certified product lines, listed in the CPD using the non-LEAFF methodology, shall retain their five-year certification cycle and do not require conversion to the LEAFF methodology.
2. These product lines are authorized to be reissued, addended, or revised using the non-LEAFF methodology.
3. A product line shall not contain ratings calculated by both simulation methodologies.
4. Licensees are permitted to recertify product lines using the LEAFF methodology anytime during the certification cycle and per the requirements in Section 5.6 of NFRC 700.

Additional Guidance Available:

Additional guidance on certification scenarios, allowable exceptions, and IA processing requirements is available on the [NFRC website](#).

Maintaining LEAFF Methodology:

To assist NFRC's certification participants and stakeholders, the LEAFF task group (formerly RCBC) will continue to provide recommendations for improvements to the LEAFF methodology. Please access the [LEAFF TG page](#) to review notes or working documents.

If you have any questions about the LEAFF program, or wish to join the LEAFF TG, please contact [Scott Hanlon](#).



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