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This bulletin announces that whole fenestration products with venetian blinds between the glass can be simulated for NFRC certification.

This announcement comes after revising the NFRC Simulation Manual with updated modeling techniques for venetian blinds between the glass and approving two or more NFRC-accredited simulation laboratories to conduct the modeling.

Item One: NFRC Simulation Manual (January 2014)

The Technical Interpretations Policy Committee (TIPC) approved the publication of a revised NFRC Simulation Manual on January 29, 2014. Chapter eight added/revised sections of the simulation manual that included how to model/simulate whole fenestration products for venetian blinds between the glass. It also included how to model frit/etched glazing and shading systems interior and exterior to the glazing.

Frit/etched glazing and interior/exterior to the glass shading systems are not authorized for certification at this time but will be later this year. See the link below to retrieve the NFRC Simulation Manual from the [Technical Documents](#) page of the NFRC website.

Item Two: Simulation Laboratories Approved to Simulate Venetian Blinds Between-Glass

All NFRC-accredited simulation laboratories underwent training and successfully completed an exam to become approved for simulating for certification whole fenestration products with venetian blinds between the glass. Approved simulation laboratories can be found [here](#).

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