

Up To Date

Spring Training

There are a few more training classes this spring and you can register at SiglerNorCal.com/training. Sign up today for heat pump replacement options, installation best practices, Infinity basics and Carrier University

Customer Appreciation

The annual open-house events start this month with delicious food, great prizes and informative vendors presentations. Bring your whole team!

- 4/12 – Santa Rosa
- 4/19 – San Jose
- 4/26 – S. San Fran
- 5/3 – Concord

Spring Sigler Club

The popular Sigler Club program has begun and it's better than ever. Now offering great prizes for rewards up to 4% of your season purchases! Talk to your territory manager or favorite customer service rep today about placing a qualifying order.



What's New on *SiglerTV*

Heat Pumps (2 videos)
Ductless Sales
Nitrogen Purging

The show must go on ... Sam Eng at the Mountain View dealer meeting after a tree took out the power

2023 Title 24 Changes for AOR

Every three years, the California Energy Commission updates Title-24, the set of rules and regulations that pertain to residential and commercial building efficiency. The 2022 standards went into effect on January 1, 2023 and there are some important changes that affect you.

Unfortunately, some contractors have the misconception that Title 24 only applies to new construction buildings or additions to the home. Altering the existing system may trigger some requirements.

New duct jobs seem to carry the most requirements, including HERS-verified airflow, fan efficiency, duct leakage and a 2" MERV 13 filter. New duct jobs with new equipment also triggers the cooling and heating load calculation requirement and AC refrigerant charge verification. Before thinking that you'll simply use existing ductwork on all your jobs, it's not that easy.

Replacing the furnace, fan coil, evap coil, heat pump, air conditioner or any ductwork in the garage triggers the need for a HERS-verified duct leakage test.

The requirements now call for measured leakage less than 10% of airflow for existing ducts, less than 6% for ducts in the garage and less than 5% for new ducts.

Speaking of ductwork, be aware that R-8 insulation is now required in all Bay Area climate zones except zone 3. Generally, this is our coastal areas, but a map of all California climate zones is available at <http://bit.ly/3zc3uge>.

It's impossible to summarize a 1000 page code in a few paragraphs. Thankfully, the team at Energy Code Ace do a very good job of summarizing the rules and regulations. If your business is focused on residential add-on or replacement, please check out <https://bit.ly/3KexrMQ>. While on their website, you'll find many other tools and resources to help you with Title 24 compliance.

Another option is to engage with the city permit office or inspector early in your project. They're ultimately the final authority and some cities are more in-tune with these regulations than others.

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Technical Tips

Q: I am so tired of checking for leaks, is there an easier way to do it?

Leak checks are time consuming and can test everyone's patience. Here are some scenarios to save you time.

If a small leak is known but cannot be found, your electronic leak detector may not find it either. In cooling mode, increase heat and pressure by limiting airflow to the outdoor coil. To increase pressure on the indoor coil, run it in heat mode or if it's ac only, run the furnace to heat up the evaporator. Once the pressure is above normal, leaks will be more evident. Test field joints, factory joints then factory coils.

If you struck out with the first option, or it's nearly out of gas, recover the

remaining refrigerant into a clean recovery cylinder and weigh it. With conventional indoor TXVs, speed the recovery up by using the compressor to pump liquid into the tank first. If it's ductless, run it in cooling before recovering remaining charge. Then get the recovery machine to pull the vapor down to 10-15 psi. Add some nitrogen to get above 400 psi, then pinpoint it with a detector and bubbles.

In the rare case that a new outdoor unit is flat at startup, pinpoint the leak by pumping the system up with nitrogen and get a video of the soap bubbles. Call or text tech support and leave a message at 415-330-6666.