

# NET ZERO Program Bulletin

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## Program Technical Bulletin 05

The following program requirements will come into effect January 1, 2023. As described below, both new requirements are optional for a specified period of time.

### 1. Indoor Air Quality Checklist

The new Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Checklist will be added to the Technical Requirements in a phased approach beginning on January 1, 2023. The IAQ Checklist will be added to the Project Registration Workbook.

- January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023 completion of the IAQ Checklist is optional.
- January 1, 2024 completion of the IAQ Checklist will be mandatory.

More information about the IAQ Checklist, and the downloadable documents can be found at [www.chba.ca/nzprogramrequirements](http://www.chba.ca/nzprogramrequirements).

### 2. Building Envelope Performance Target

The building envelope performance target in *Section 2.2.2 Energy Efficiency Targets* of the Technical Requirements is adopting a new calculation metric and target to comply with - gross space heat loss. As with the existing space heating energy load metric, the proposed house shall prove a specified improvement percentage over that of the corresponding NRCan reference house.

- January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023 compliance with the building envelope performance target may be achieved using either target:
  - At least 33% improvement over reference house using space heating energy load (as described in v1.3 of the Technical Requirements)
  - At least 25% improvement over reference house using gross space heat loss.
- January 1, 2024 compliance with the building envelope performance target must be achieved with:
  - At least 30% improvement over reference house using gross space heat loss.

This Program Bulletin is to provide advanced notice to the coming changes. The Technical Requirements will be updated accordingly and published on January 1, 2023.

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