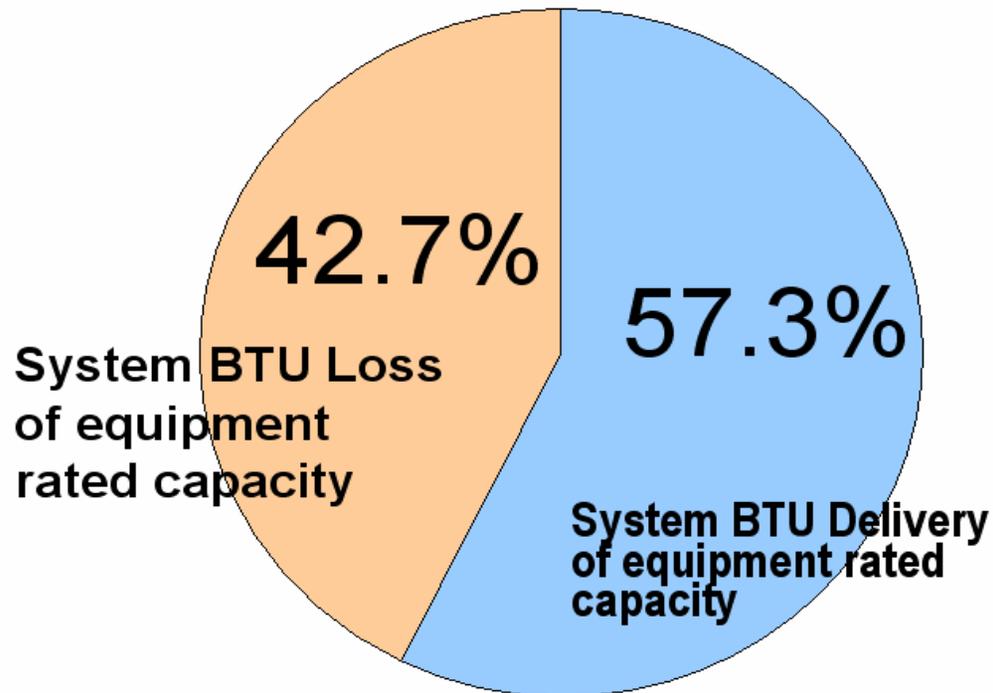


# Performance Verification



**The average HVAC system  
delivers only 57% of the  
equipment rated BTU into the  
building**



## PRACTICAL INDUSTRY PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

- System heating or cooling performance should be within 90% of rated equipment capacity.
- One ton of cooling equals 12,000 Nominal BTU
- Cooling airflow should be 400 CFM per ton.
- Heating airflow should be 100-150 CFM per every 10,000 BTU rated input
- System delivered BTU can be measured: Delivered BTU = Supply CFM x System temperature change x 1.08.

## PRACTICAL INDUSTRY STATIC PRESSURE STANDARDS

- Fans operate properly when static pressure is at or below the rated maximum Total External Static Pressure
- Ideally filter pressure drop should not exceed 20% of equipment rated total external static pressure (typically .10")
- Ideally coil pressure drop should not exceed 40% of equipment rated total external static pressure (typically .20")

## PRACTICAL INDUSTRY TEMPERATURE STANDARDS

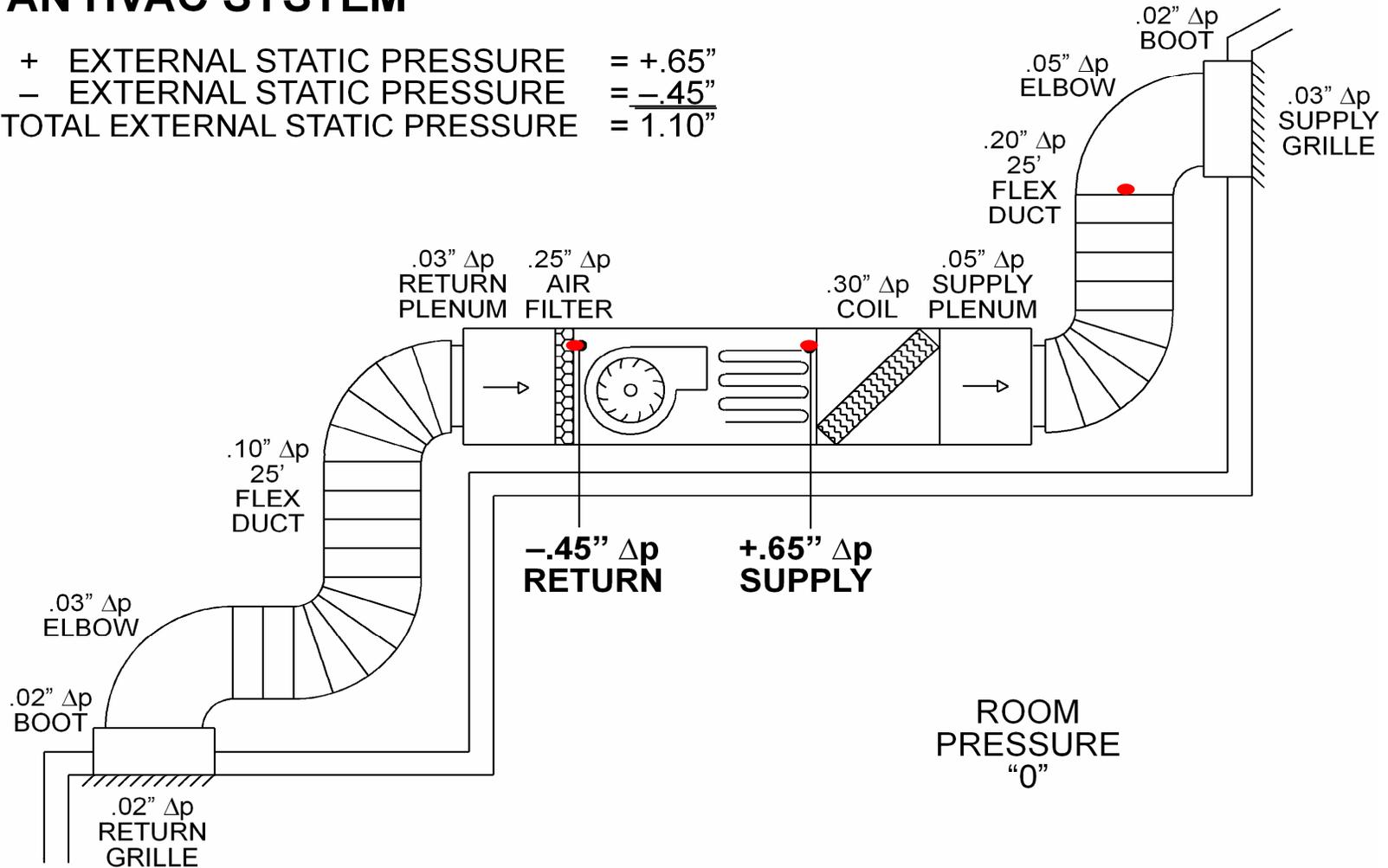
- System temperature drop should be 18°-22°F in cooling mode.
- System temperature rise should be 35°-75°F for gas furnaces.
- Heat Pump temperature drop is dependent on ambient outside air temperature

## PRACTICAL INDUSTRY TEMPERATURE STANDARDS

- **System Performance** temperature change is the difference between the average return grille and the average supply register.
- **Equipment performance**, temperature change is measured as the difference between entering and exiting air temperature.
- Comfort is defined as 68°- 72° in heating mode and 72 ° - 78° in cooling mode, with relative humidity between 40% & 55%.
- Ideally room temperatures should be are to be within 3° of each other. and duct loss should not exceed 3° through a system.

# STATIC PRESSURES THROUGHOUT AN HVAC SYSTEM

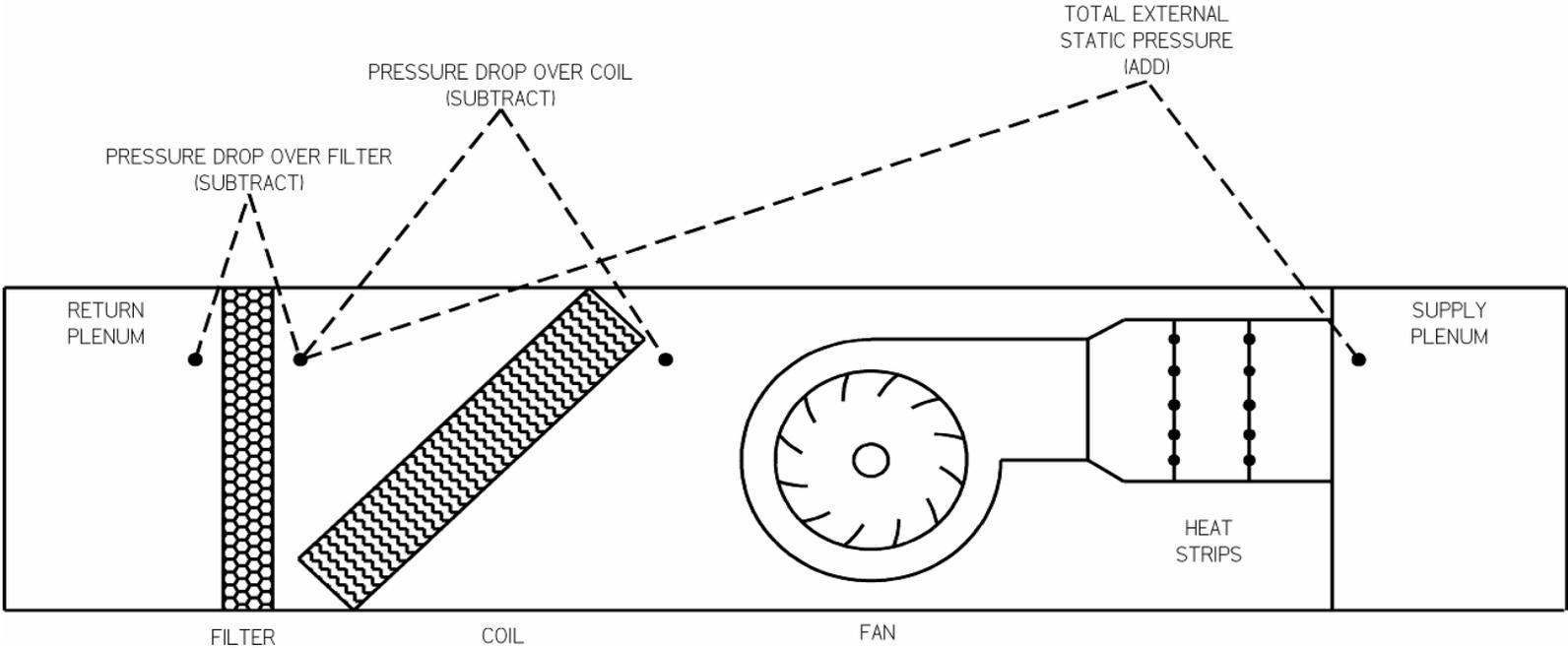
+ EXTERNAL STATIC PRESSURE =  $+.65''$   
 - EXTERNAL STATIC PRESSURE =  $-.45''$   
 TOTAL EXTERNAL STATIC PRESSURE =  $1.10''$



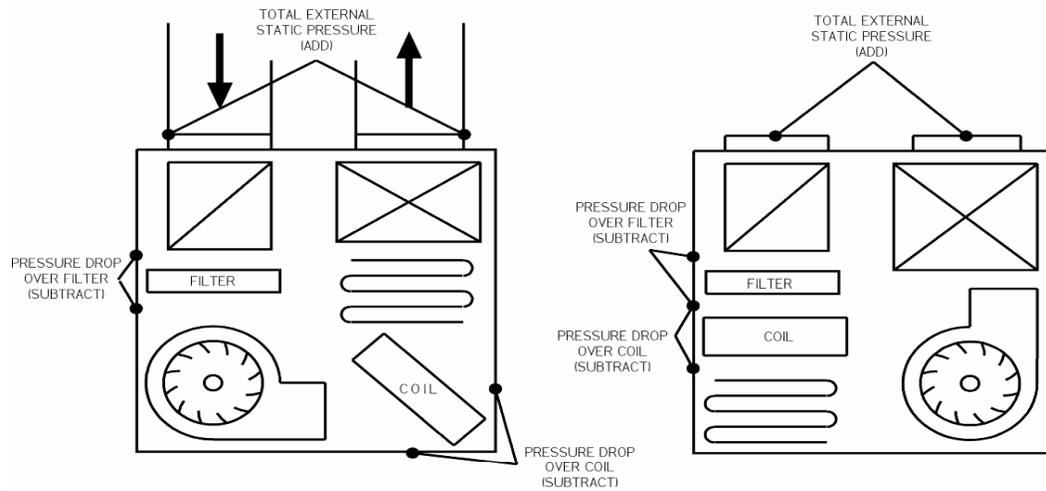
NOTE: AIR HANDLER RATED AT  $.50''$  TESP

# HORIZONTAL HEAT PUMP FILTER IN UNIT

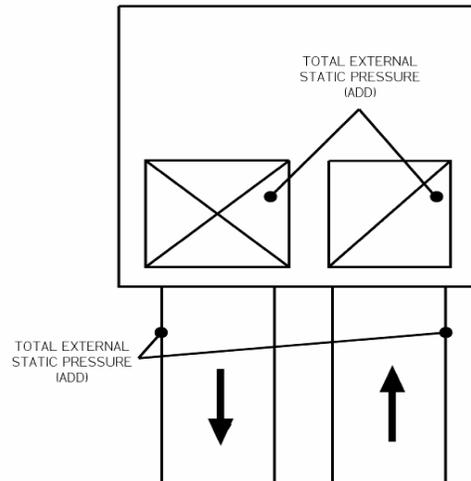
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# ROOFTOP/PACKAGE UNITS

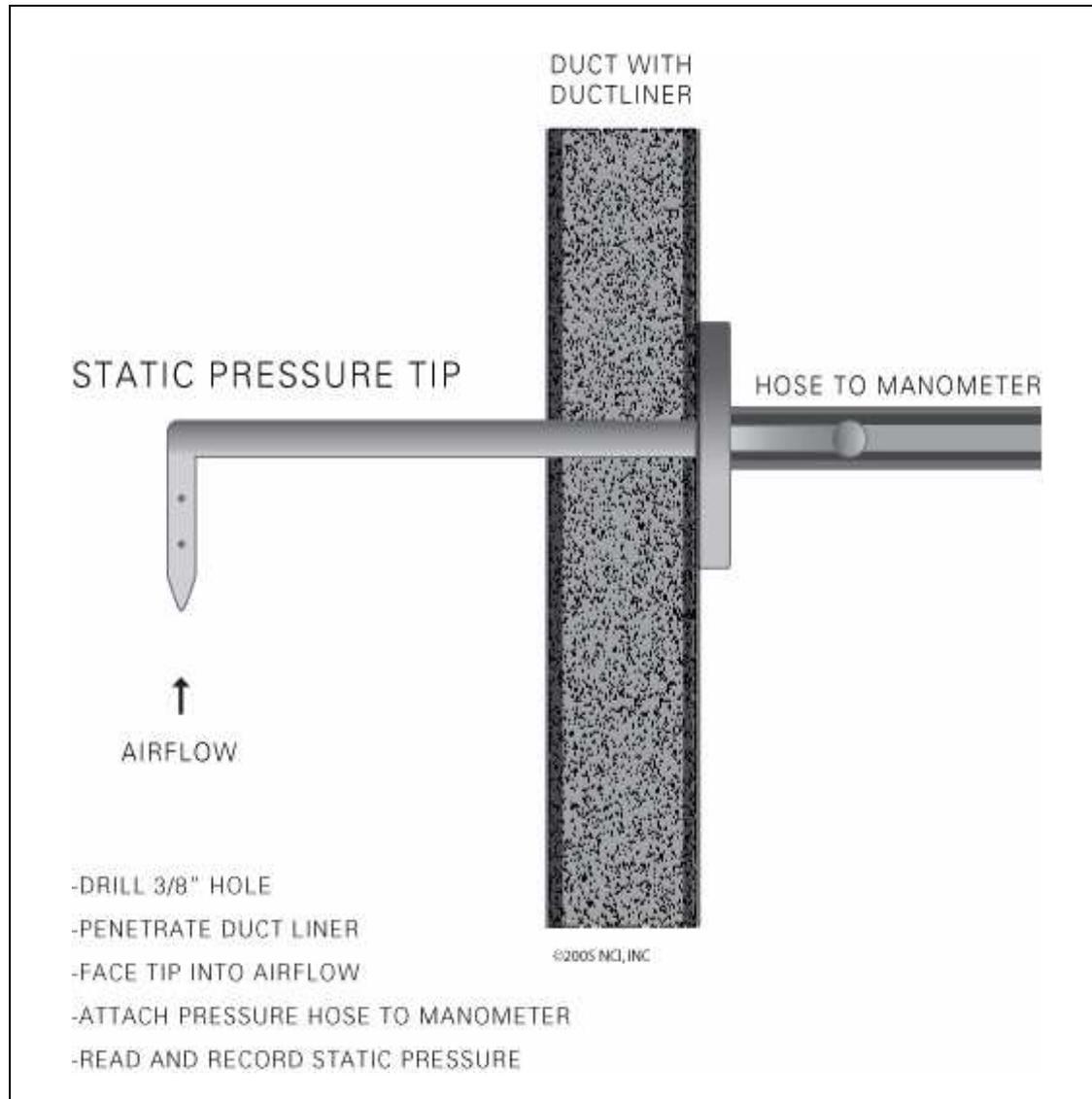


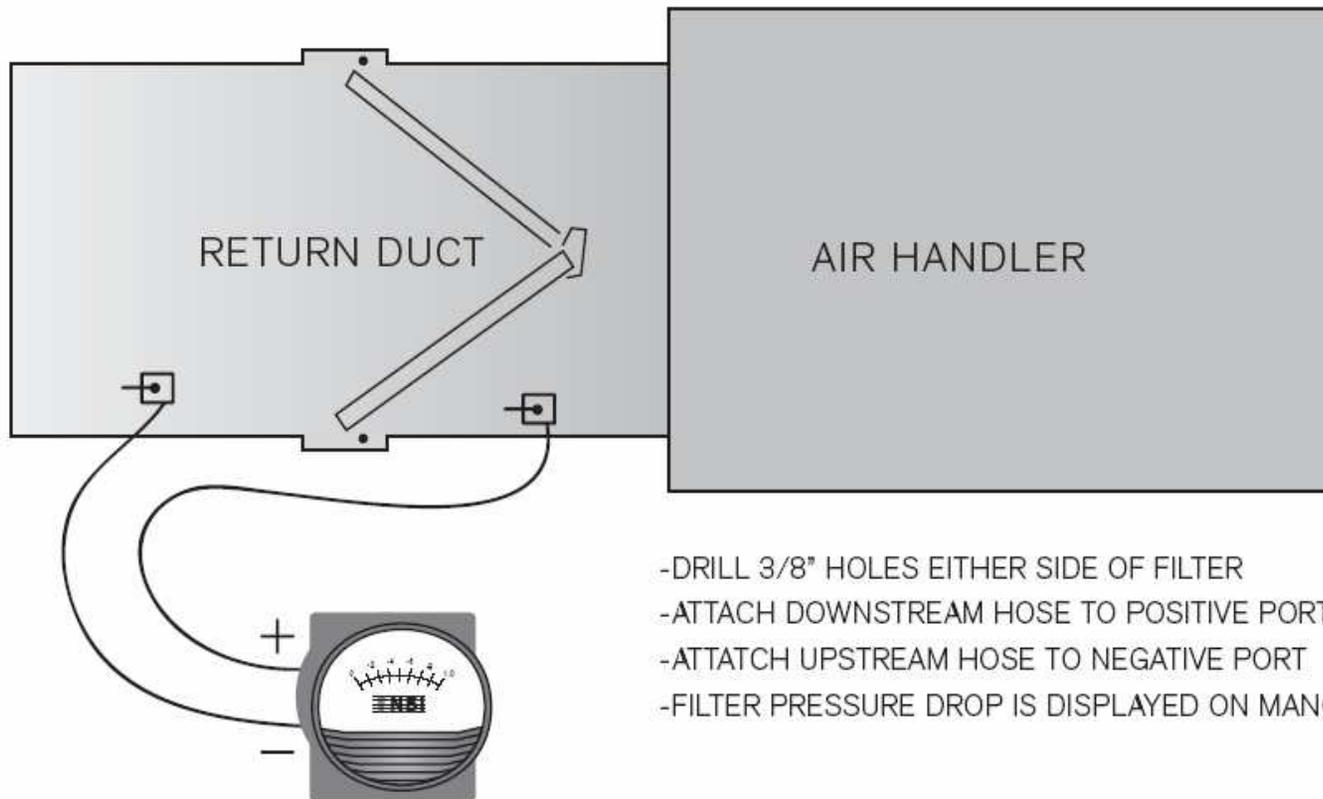
TOP VIEW



## MEASURING PRESSURES ON PACKAGE UNITS

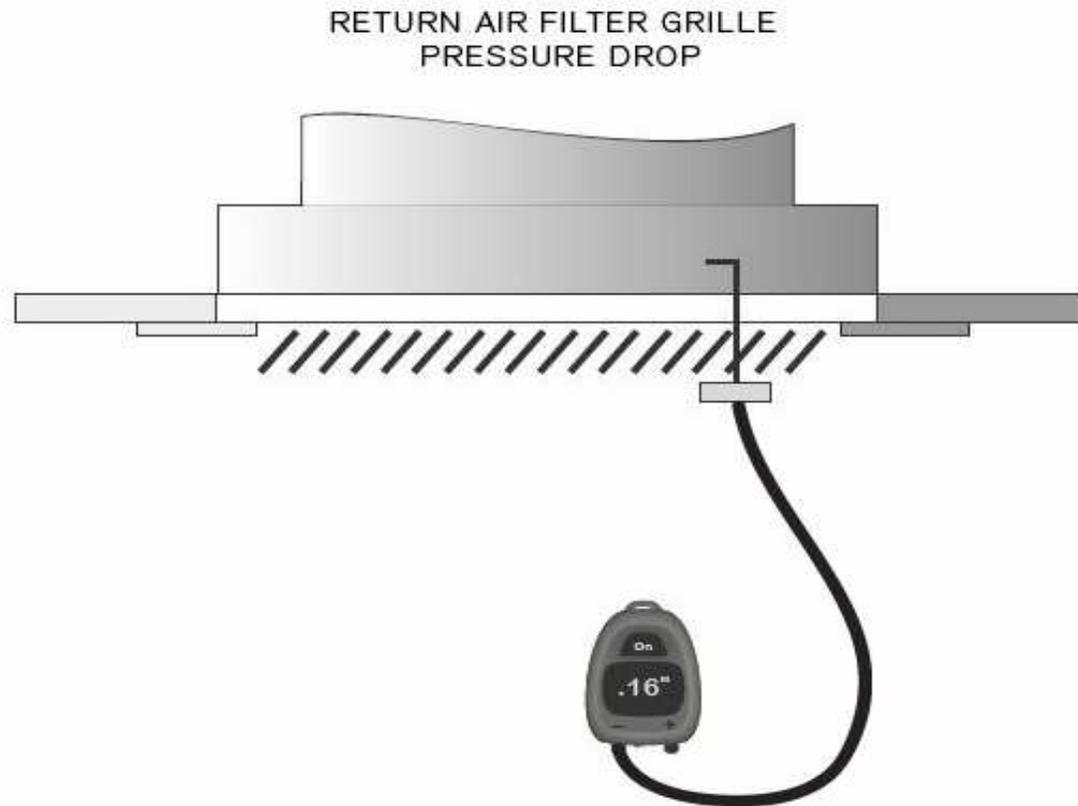
1. Measure positive and negative pressures where ducts or plenums enter or exit the unit.
2. Drill holes only in vertical surfaces; horizontal holes will leak water.
3. Remove panels to inspect for coil, filter, and fan locations.
4. Test holes must be in a vertical surface to remain watertight.
5. Some readings may need to be taken through service access panels.





- DRILL 3/8" HOLES EITHER SIDE OF FILTER
- ATTACH DOWNSTREAM HOSE TO POSITIVE PORT
- ATTATCH UPSTREAM HOSE TO NEGATIVE PORT
- FILTER PRESSURE DROP IS DISPLAYED ON MANOMETER

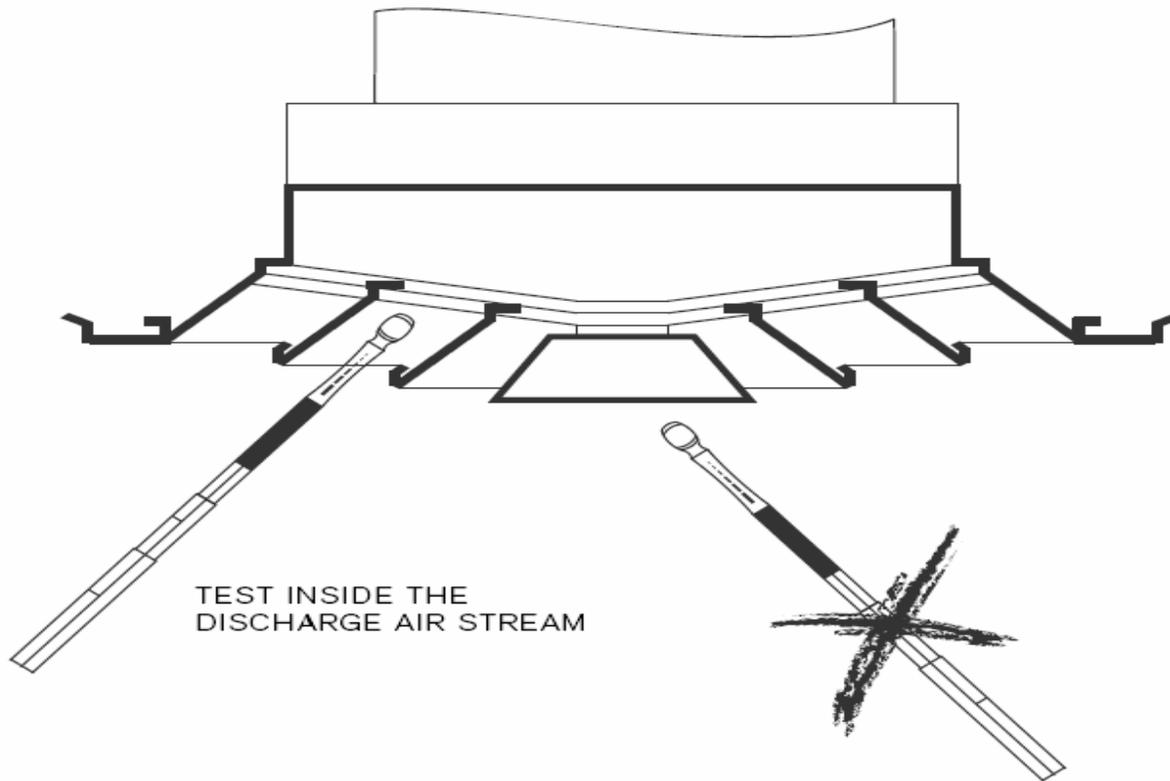
- Turn system fan on
- Attach hose to negative pressure port
- Penetrate grille and filter with static pressure tip
- Pressure drop is displayed on manometer

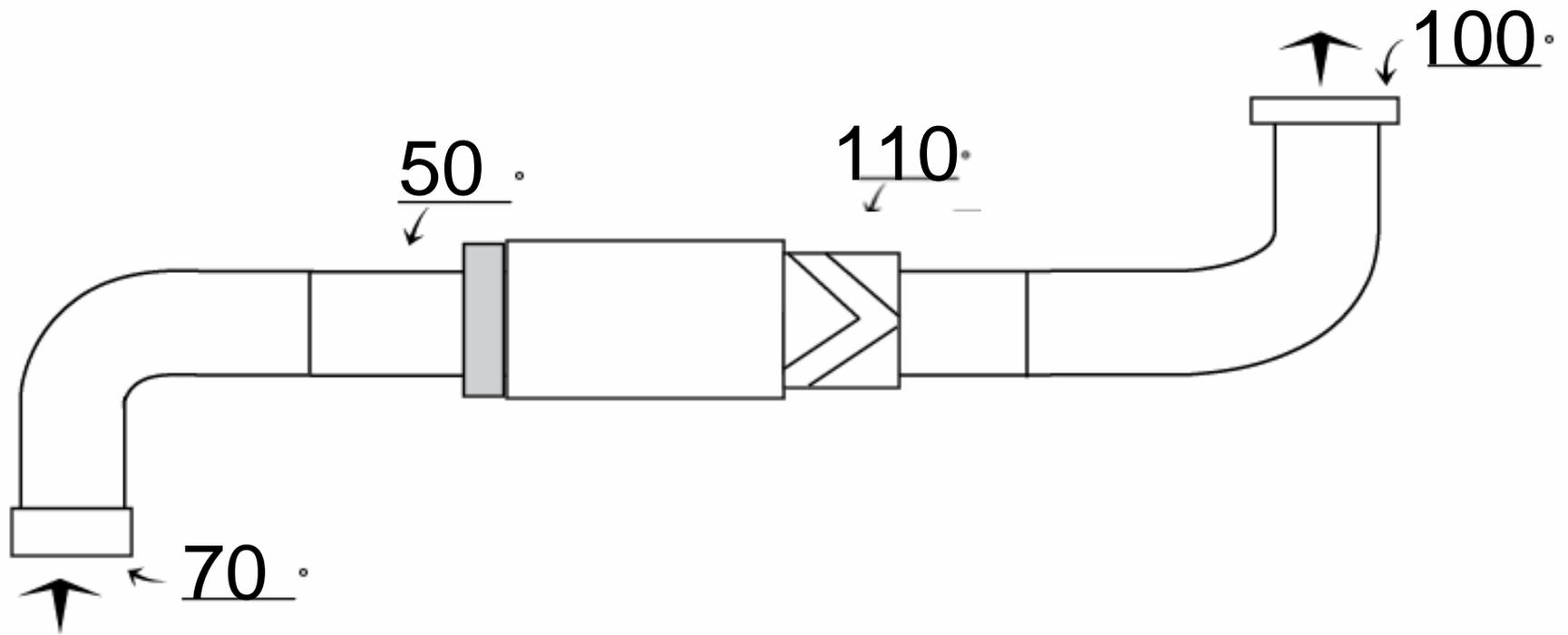


## TYPICAL RESIDENTIAL PRESSURE DROPS

SYSTEM COMPONENT	TYPICAL PRESSURE DROP
<b>FILTERS @ 1.33 SQ. FT./TON</b>	
1" Fiberglass	.04"-.08"
Electronic	.06"-.12"
Hog Hair	.05"-.11"
Washable	.08"-.14"
40% Efficient Pleated	.20"-.30"
Electrostatic	.20"-.50"
90% Efficient Media	.30"-.70"
<b>COOLING COILS</b>	
Horizontal - Older	.05"-.15"
Horizontal - Standard	.08"-.19"
Horizontal - High Efficiency	.15"-.30"
Up or Down Flow - Older	.05"-.15"
Up or Down Flow - Standard	.15"-.25"
Up or Down Flow - High Efficiency	.20"-.50"
<b>SYSTEM COMPONENTS</b>	
25 Feet of Flex Duct	.05"-.30"
25 Feet of Sheet Metal Duct	.03"-.07"
90 Degree Elbows	.02"-.06"
Residential Registers and Grilles	.03"-.10"
Sheet Metal Wye	.02"-.05"
Duct Board Wye	.05"-.15"
Remote Plenum	.15"-.40"

## Air Temperature at a Register





Duct Loss Measurement

## BTU LOSS OR GAIN THROUGH RETURN DUCTS

		$\Delta t$ BETWEEN RETURN AIR TEMP AND AIR TEMP SURROUNDING DUCT									
C		10°	20°	30°	40°	50°	60°	70°	80°	90°	100°
F	100	1,080	2,160	3,240	4,320	5,400	6,480	7,560	8,640	9,720	10,800
M	150	1,620	3,240	4,860	6,480	8,100	9,720	11,340	12,960	14,580	16,200
	200	2,160	4,320	6,480	8,640	10,800	12,960	15,120	17,280	19,440	21,600
O	250	2,700	5,400	8,100	10,800	13,500	16,200	18,900	21,600	24,300	27,000
F	300	3,240	6,480	9,720	12,960	16,200	19,440	22,680	25,920	29,160	32,400
	350	3,780	7,560	11,340	15,120	18,900	22,680	26,460	30,240	34,020	37,800
L	400	4,320	8,640	12,960	17,280	21,600	25,920	30,240	34,560	38,880	43,200
E	500	5,400	10,800	16,200	21,600	27,000	32,400	37,800	43,200	48,600	54,000
A	600	6,480	12,960	19,440	25,920	32,400	38,880	45,360	51,840	58,320	64,800
K	700	7,560	15,120	22,680	30,240	37,800	45,360	52,920	60,480	68,040	75,600
A	800	8,640	17,280	25,920	34,560	43,200	51,840	60,480	69,120	77,760	86,400
G	900	9,720	19,440	29,160	38,880	48,600	58,320	68,040	77,760	87,480	97,200
E	1000	10,800	21,600	32,400	43,200	54,000	64,800	75,600	86,400	97,200	108,000



Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 System \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Comfort Consultant Appointment \_\_\_\_\_

**CoolMaxx Total Cooling – System Performance Analysis**

**1) SYSTEM PRESSURES**

Like the doctor takes our blood pressure as an overall test of our well-being, we do a similar test called Static Pressure to test your system's overall performance.

Your maximum pressure rating is \_\_\_\_\_

Your measured static pressure is \_\_\_\_\_

**2) FILTER RESISTANCE**

Ideally the filter pressure drop should not exceed 20% of fan rated total external static pressure.

Rated fan total static pressure x 20% \_\_\_\_\_

The actual filter pressure drop is \_\_\_\_\_

A filter with excessive resistance reduces airflow and may decrease cooling capacity.

**3) FAN AIRFLOW**

In order to work properly your cooling system needs adequate airflow.

Your current fan speed setting is \_\_\_\_\_

Required Airflow is calculated:

\_\_\_\_\_ Nominal Tons x 400 CFM per ton = \_\_\_\_\_

Your Actual Fan Airflow is \_\_\_\_\_

Actual Fan Airflow should be plus or minus 10% of Required Airflow to assure proper system performance.

**4) TEMPERATURES**

Current outdoor temperature \_\_\_\_\_

Current entering coil WB \_\_\_\_\_

**DRY BULB TEMPERATURES**

Average DB Return Grille Air Temp \_\_\_\_\_

Average DB Supply Register Temp \_\_\_\_\_

System DB Temp Change (Δt) \_\_\_\_\_

**WET BULB TEMPERATURES/ENTHALPY CHANGE**

Average WB Return Grille Air Temp \_\_\_\_\_

Average WB Supply Register Temp \_\_\_\_\_

Average Return Grille Enthalpy \_\_\_\_\_

Average Supply Register Enthalpy \_\_\_\_\_

Enthalpy Change \_\_\_\_\_

**5) BTU DELIVERY**

Once we know airflow and enthalpy change, we can calculate how well the system is operating.

Under current conditions the Equipment Rated Total BTU removal capacity is \_\_\_\_\_

Fan Airflow \_\_\_\_\_

Times Enthalpy Change (Δht) \_\_\_\_\_

Times the constant 4.65 \_\_\_\_\_

System Delivered Total BTU \_\_\_\_\_

**6) EFFECTIVE EFFICIENCY**

Divide the equipment Rated TBTU by the measured BTU to find the percentage of system efficiency.

System Delivered Total BTU \_\_\_\_\_

Divided by Equipment Rated TBTU \_\_\_\_\_

System Effective Efficiency \_\_\_\_\_ %

According to NCI Standards, an acceptable working cooling system Total BTU delivery should meet or exceed 90% of the equipment rated Total BTU cooling capacity.

RECOMMENDATIONS