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Performance Rating of Liquid-Line Driers



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Note:

This standard supersedes ARI Standard 710-2004. For SI ratings, see AHRI Standard 711 (SI)-2009.



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PERFORMANCE RATING OF LIQUID-LINE DRIERS

Section 1. Purpose

1.1 *Purpose.* The purpose of this standard is to establish for Liquid-line Driers: definitions; test requirements; rating requirements; minimum data requirements for Published Ratings; marking and nameplate data; and conformance conditions.

1.1.1 *Intent.* This standard is intended for the guidance of the industry, including manufacturers, engineers, installers, contractors and users.

1.1.2 Review and Amendment. This standard is subject to review and amendment as technology advances.

Section 2. Scope

2.1 *Scope.* This standard applies to Liquid-line Driers utilizing solid Desiccants designed for use in the liquid line of all types of refrigeration and air-conditioning systems.

2.2 Applicability. This standard applies to Liquid-line Driers for use in refrigerant systems employing the halocarbon refrigerants listed in Table 1, as described in ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 34:

Table 1. Applicable Refrigerant Systems					
Refrigerant Number	Chemical Name	Chemical Formula			
R-12	dichlorodifluoromethane	$CC1_2F_2$			
R-22	monochlorodifluoromethane	CHC1F ₂			
R-134a	1,1,1,2-tetrafluoroethane	CH ₂ FCF ₃			
R-245fa	1,1,1,3,3-pentafluoropropane	CHF ₂ CH ₂ CF ₃			
R-404A	Refrigerants 125/143a/134a 44.0/52.0/4.0 % wt.	CHF ₂ CF ₃ / CH ₃ CF ₃ / CH ₂ FCF ₃			
R-407C	Refrigerants 32/125/134a 23.0/25.0/52.0 % wt.	$\begin{array}{c} CH_2F_2/\\ CHF_2CF_3/\\ CH_2FCF_3 \end{array}$			
R-410A	Refrigerants 32/125 50.0/50.0 % wt.	CH ₂ F ₂ / CHF ₂ CF ₃			
R-502	Refrigerants 22/115 48.8/51.2 % wt.	CHC1F ₂ / CC1F ₂ CF ₃			
R-507A	Refrigerants 125/143a 50.0/50.0 % wt.	CHF ₂ CF ₃ / CH ₃ CF ₃			

2.3 *Exclusions.* This standard does not apply to liquid anti-freeze solution Desiccants or driers used in the suction line or low side of refrigeration and air-conditioning systems.

2.4 *Limitations.* This standard provides a means of determining Water Capacity and Refrigerant Flow Capacity of a Liquidline Drier at specified conditions. This standard does not attempt to reflect the performance of a Liquid-line Drier over the entire range of possible applications. Therefore, acid and particulate removal are not considered here.

2.4.1 Acid Removal. It is known that acid in a refrigeration system causes harmful corrosion. Many Liquid-line Driers will remove acids. However, there is no knowledge at the present time as to what concentration of various acids is allowable, nor how to test a liquid-line drier's ability to remove these acids. Therefore, while noting its importance, no consideration of acid removal is given in this standard at this time.