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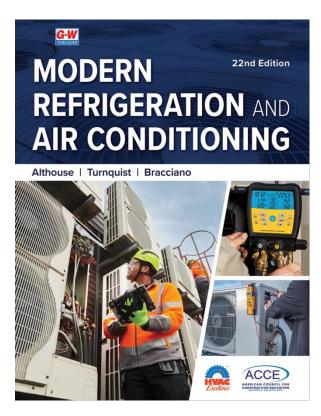
to

AHRI Curriculum Guide XII. Heat Pump Systems

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The chart lists the Curriculum Guide's knowledge and task competency objectives in the left column and the corresponding chapter numbers from *Modern Refrigeration and Air Conditioning* in the right column.

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XII.A. Basic Principles and Components		
Knowledge	Textbook Chapter(s)	
1. Review the history of heat pumps.	Chapters 36, 37	
2. Explain the basic theory of the air source heat pump system.	Chapters 36, 37	
3. Explain the basic theory of the water source heat pump system.	Chapters 36, 37	
 Explain the basic theory of the geothermal source heat pump system. 	Chapters 36, 37	
5. Identify and explain the function of the electrical and mechanical components of the heat pump systems.	Chapters 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 23, 33, 36, 37	

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Knowledge	Textbook Chapter(s)	
Explain terms typically used for heat pumps:		
a. Seasonal Energy Efficiency Ratio (SEER)	Chapters 36, 37	
b. Coefficient of Performance (COP)	Chapters 36, 37	
c. Heating Seasonal Performance Factor (HSPF)	Chapters 36, 37	
d. Balance Points	Chapters 36, 37	
e. Outdoor Design Temperature (ODT)	Chapters 36, 37	
f. Optimizer	Chapters 36, 37	
7. Analyze and explain the refrigerant cycle in both cooling and heating—identifying the pressure and state of the refrigerant at any point in the refrigerant circuit.	Chapters 8, 10, 22, 23, 36, 37	
3. Explain the different types of defrost methods.	Chapters 36, 37, 44, 45	
. Describe the operation of the time clock in a defrost ontrol.	Chapters 36, 37, 44, 45	
10. Identify which three components of a heat pump system are controlled directly during a defrost cycle.	Chapters 36, 37, 44, 45	
1. Describe a heat pump thermostat function.	Chapters 36, 37	
Tasks	Textbook Chapter(s)	
I. Check reversing valve for proper temperatures.	Chapters 4, 11, 12, 36, 37	
2. Calculate both economic and thermal balance points.	Chapters 36, 37	
 Calculate temperature settings for multiple outdoor thermostats. 	Chapters 36, 37	
4. Check refrigerant charge using charging chart.	Chapters 4, 10, 11, 12, 36, 37	
5. Check sequence of operation of an air-to-air split system heat pump for cooling, heating, and defrost nodes.	Chapters 3, 4, 11, 12, 14, 17, 19, 36, 37	
XII.B. Applications		

Knowledge	Textbook Chapter(s)
 Identify and describe different types of heat pump systems: 	
a. air-cooled	Chapters 36, 37
b. water-source (open loop, closed loop, air-to- water, water-to-water, and geothermal)	Chapters 36, 37

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XII.B. Applications (continued)		
Knowledge	Textbook Chapter(s)	
2. Analyze and compare the operation and performance of the different types of heat pump systems:		
a. Explain the integration and operation of the air- to-air heat pump with electric resistance heat.	Chapters 36, 37	
 b. Explain the integration and operation of the water-to-air heat pump with electric resistance heat. 	Chapters 36, 37	
c. Explain the integration and operation of the air- to-air heat pump with a fossil fuel unit.	Chapters 36, 37	
d. Explain applications for open vs. closed loop geothermal pump systems.	Chapters 36, 37	
Tasks	Textbook Chapter(s)	
1. Mechanically and electrically connect and check out:		
a. Air-to-air heat pump	Chapters 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 17, 19, 36, 37	
b. Water-to-water heat pump	Chapters 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 17, 19, 36, 37	