Wisconsin Uniform Dwelling Code
Energy Worksheet

Instructions: This worksheet is a Safety & Buildings Division (S&BD)-approved method of manually showing compliance with the energy conservation and heating equipment sizing requirements of the Uniform Dwelling Code (UDC), for new dwelling permits **submitted on or after May 1, 1999**. It may be necessary for the user to purchase a copy of the UDC from State Document Sales, (608)266-3358. Additional information is printed in the UDC Commentary, which is available for a fee, as are blank copies of this form, from S&BD at POB 2509, Madison, WI 53701, Tel. 608-267-4405. **Earlier editions of this worksheet may NOT be used**. Numbers in brackets, [1], refer to the footnotes printed on page 2.

You may also submit completed worksheets from the computer program WIScheck, which is available for free downloading from http://www.energycodes.org/ on the Internet.

A required U-value is the **maximum** acceptable heat transmittance for an element. **A required insulation R-value** is the **minimum** acceptable level of resistance to heat transmittance. (U-values and R-values are reciprocals of each other.) If a component includes two or more areas of different insulation levels, either use the less insulating value for both areas, or use the Optional Weighted Average table in the **Prescriptive Package Method** section or enter separate areas and insulation values in the **System Design Method**. All "U" values must be carried to four places after the decimal point, rounded to three places. Other values may be rounded to the whole number.

Window and door U-values must be tested and documented by the manufacturer in accordance with the National Fenestration Rating Council (NFRC) test procedures or be taken from the glazing U-value table in s. Comm 22.05. Center-of-glass U-values cannot be used. If a door contains glass, and an aggregate U-value rating for that door is not available, then include the glass area of the door with your windows and use the opaque door U-value to determine compliance of the door.

A **slab on grade** is a earth-supported floor slab that is above, or less than 12" below, adjacent grade.

High-efficiency heating equipment is given a credit by the code. "High-Efficiency" means a furnace or boiler with an AFUE of 90% or more, or a heat pump with an HSPF of 7.8 or more without the use of electric resistance backup heat of greater than 3 kilowatts. If you plan to install more than one piece of heating equipment, the equipment with the lowest efficiency must meet or exceed the efficiency required by the selected package.

Choice of Method: You have the choice of using the Prescriptive Package Method or the System Design Method to show code compliance. For the simpler **Prescriptive Package Method** , which is recommended for standard designs, complete Sections **A., B., F., and G**. Instructions are on page 2. You will be first calculating component areas, then comparing your planned insulation levels to the required insulation levels of the Prescriptive Packages. You will then calculate infiltration and ventilation heat losses to size your heating equipment. If you cannot comply with one of the prescriptive packages, you may be able to show compliance by the System Design Method.

For the **System Design Method**, which is recommended for alternative designs in which more insulation is installed in one component to offset less in another, complete **Sections A., C., D., E., F. and G.** You will be first calculating component areas, then a code-allowed heat loss factor, then component U- and R-values and then your calculated heat loss factor which you will compare to the code-allowed heat loss factor. You will then calculate infiltration and ventilation heat losses to size your heating equipment.

The **County Zone Table** below is use for determining the temperature difference for sizing your heating plant in Section G. You may submit to your local code official more exact calculations to size your heating equipment.

Zone 1 - 95 degrees	Zone 2 - 90 degrees	Zone 3 - 85 degrees	Zone 4 - 80 degrees
Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Burnett, Chippewa, Douglas, Dunn, Florence, Forest, Iron, Lincoln, Oneida, Pierce, Polk, Price, Rusk, Saint Croix, Sawyer, Taylor, Vilas, Washburn	Adams, Buffalo, Clark, Eau Claire, Jackson, Juneau, LaCrosse, Langlade, Marathon, Marinette, Menominee, Monroe, Portage, Shawano, Oconto, Pepin, Trempeleau, Vernon, Waupaca, Wood	Brown, Calumet, Columbia, Crawford, Dane, Dodge, Door, Fond du Lac, Grant, Green, Green Lake, Iowa, Kewaunee, LaFayette, Manitowoc, Marquette, Outagamie, Richland, Sauk, Sheboygan, Waushara, Winnebago	Jefferson, Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Rock, Walworth, Washington, Waukesha