## THE NEED FOR QUALITY PRODUCTS WHAT DETERMINES HEAT PUMP QUALITY AND HOW CAN IT BE ASSURED

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## What determines the Quality of heat pumps

# The quality of the heat pump depens on the performance of:

- ✓ The product
- ✓ The installation
- √ The maintainance





## How can quality be assured on the product?

## By ensuring:

- √ high efficient
- ✓ high quality
- ✓ reliability

With a Quality Label for heat pumps





## **Strong need for a Quality Label:**

When the Quality Label:

Contribute to the idea of a single European market

Is a complete scheme for a quality assurance on the products

Give different parties guidance for a strong growth market:

- ✓ end customer
- ✓ industry
- ✓ policy makers

Remove trade barriers

Increase developments and markets





## EHPA European quality label for heat pumps

The EHPA and its member associations aim at creating a truly European label that is mutually accepted in all Member States. The coverage of the label has successfully been extended to additional countries. In 2011 it is available in Austria, Belgium, the Czech Republic, Germany, Finland, France, Slovakia, Switzerland, Sweden and the UK.

The label is granted to individual heat pumps or model ranges that are sold as standardized, serial products.

The label is granted to heating-only mode.



**European Quality Label** 

for Heat Pumps

## **Organization - EHPA Quality Label**

The EHPA quality label is coordinated by the associations "quality label committee". This committee is responsible for all aspects of the quality label. It ensures a joint approach across Europe, maintains communication with all partners and develops the rules, regulations and requirements further. It also maintains the Quality label database which makes all test results of heat pumps carrying the label available only.

The quality label committee consists of members of the *national quality label commission* (one representative from each country) and representatives of the *test centres* (one representative per country). Within the quality label committee is as well a test center working group created.



## EHPA quality label: status-quo

National label with a common set of requirements throughout Europe

Available: AT, BE, CH, CZ, DE, FI, FR,

SE, SK and the UK

Planned: the rest of Europe

**Coordination via EHPA:** 

Maintenance of regulation

database

Execution of certification via national commissions in different countries



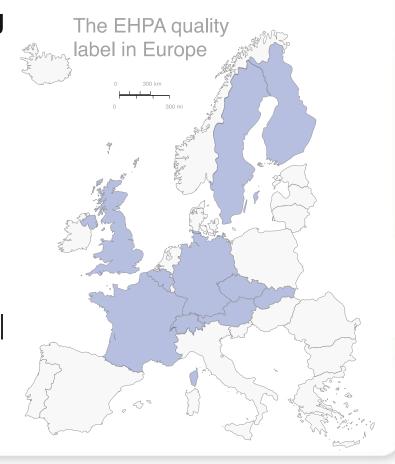


## EHPA quality label for heat pumps - testing

## Mandatory independent third party testing

## Based on measurements according accreditation ISO 17025 and relevant methods in following test centers

- AIT, Austria | SP, Sweden | NTB,
   Switzerland | TÜV Süd, Germany | U
   Stuttgart, Germany | TÜV Rheinland,
   Germany | ILK, Germany | BSRIA, UK |
   CETIAT, France
- Pending: Others





## Key requirements (list not exhaustive):

Conformity and compliance of all main components with the applicable rules and regulations (CE marking)

Requirements of minimum efficiency values (COP values)

Declaration of sound power level

Existence of sales & distribution, planning, service and operating documents in the local language of the country where the heat pump is distributed

Existence of a functioning customer service network in the sales area that allows for a 24h reaction time to consumer complaints

A two year full warranty which shall include a declaration stating that the heat pump spare parts inventory will be available for at least ten years.

Validity of labels: All labels are valid for three years.



## Scope of tesing

## **Test regulations for:**

- ✓ Air/Water
- ✓ Brine/Water and Water/Water
- ✓ Direct exchange ground coupled/water heat pumps

Under development air-to-air heat pumps, domestic hot water heat pumps and capacity controlled units.

Test requirements based on existing standards

## HPs up to 100 kW

- ✓ certified heating mode only
- ✓ capacity and COP rating
- ✓ acoustic performance



## Changes in effect 01.01.2011

#### **COP** values:

- equal to those from Ecolabel
- 15 % Bonus for refrigerants with a GWP < 150</li>

#### **NEW VALUES**

_	A/A		2.9 (new)
_	A/W	3.0	3.1
_	B/W	4.0	4.3
_	W/W	4.5	5.1
_	DX/W	4.0	4.3



#### Validity of existing labels:

All labels that were granted before 1.1.2011 are valid for three years with the old conditions. All renewals from 1.1.2011 onwards will have to fulfil the new COP values.



## Model Range approach and selection of unit/s to be tested

### **Definition of model range approach**

characterised by uniform main components (refrigerant circuit, compressor, evaporator fan, heat exchangers, expansion valve, refrigerant, heat source and heat sink, hot water storage tank)

## Definition of application approach

(apply with nat. commission, they pick the unit/s within the model range to be tested)

- 1. Manufacturer provides technical and performance data of its model range.
- 2. National Commission select model(s) to be tested.
- 3. Selection based on the model range evaluation





#### Communication

Requirements for participation available online: www.ehpa.org/QL

## **Rules and regulations**

- Online publication of EHPA quality labelled heat pumps
- Documentation of refrigerant used and GWP on the label

#### **Database**

- Database active with all tested units (<u>www.ehpa.org/QL</u>)
- Multilingual database
- Communication package under preparation



#### **Database and Data content**

Certified heatpumps are listed in a Database on the EHPA homepage

#### All distributor data

(Address, web, contact)

#### All certificate data

(certifier, valid until, re-certified, country coverage), visual representation of certificate

#### **Extensive model data**

- General description, picture
- Efficiency and capacity at test points





## The EHPA Quality label

Provides buying security and improved long term benefits to the customer.

Provides strong arguments for all parties seeking governmental support – institutional as well as financial.

Supports the current image of heat pumps as energy efficient, reliable, high quality products.

Contributes to establish heat pumps as innovative technology that "supplies" renewable and environmentally friendly ambient heat.

Helps to protect the existing heat pump markets against low-quality, low price competition.





## Thanks for your attention, questions?

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## The European Heat Pump Association

EHPA was established in the year 2000 to promote awareness and proper deployment of heat pump technology in the European market place for residential, commercial and industrial applications. EHPA aims to provide technical and economic input to European, national and local authorities in legislative, regulatory and energy efficiency matters. All activities are aimed at overcoming market barriers and dissemination of information in order to speed up market development of heat pumps for heating, cooling and hot water production.

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