Description:
The purpose of this section is to provide guidelines for the applicable UMD standards and requirements for the design of mechanical systems including (but not limited to) mechanical, plumbing, and fire protection.

Related Sections:
- TBD

Effective Date:
January 1, 2021

Applicable Standards:
Mechanical Designs shall comply with codes and standards including, but not limited to the following (latest editions or versions):
- ASHRAE 62
- ASHRAE 55
- ASHRAE 15
- IMC
- ARI 550/590
- ASHRAE 110
- ARI 360
- ASHRAE 90.1

General Requirements:
Alternative HVAC System Designs (New Building and Renovations over $1 million) - the designer shall complete the following on new building and major renovation (over $1 million) designs with this evaluation submitted at schematic design:
- Evaluate a minimum of three alternative HVAC systems that are in compliance with energy requirements. Propose a recommendation from the three evaluated.
- Provide a conceptual single-line of the proposed HVAC system. Identify the capacity and locations of major equipment items.
- Provide a life-cycle cost analysis which includes capital, operating, and maintenance costs, and a comparison made between the three systems. Provide a simple payback schedule.
- If existing systems are utilized, identify the capacity of those existing system, based on an examination of the Facility's record Drawings, and inspection of the existing system, and test reports.

Equipment Specifications:
- When the designer specifies equipment installation to be “In accordance with the manufacturer’s direction,” the specification shall list the applicable manufacturer’s publication, title, and date. The specification shall state which instructions in that publication, if any, do not apply to the particular application.
- The specification shall require that, if equipment other than that which is the basis of design is submitted, the submittal will be accompanied by the applicable manufacturer’s installation instructions, again with instructions that do not apply clearly noted.
- Interrelated Systems will be so identified on the design documents. With regard to submittals of the components of interrelated mechanical, electrical, life safety and/or other systems, the specification shall include words to the following effect:
  - The design documents depict a coordinated system comprised of equipment which is selected as the basis of design, but is not intended to exclude others. Submission of any one component other than that which is the basis of design is considered to be a substitution of the entire Interrelated System and the submittal must be identified by the Contractor to be:
    - An interrelated system
    - A substitution
The Contractor, as part of the submittal, must provide supporting documentation to show that the submitted equipment has been coordinated to the same extent as the equipment, which is the basis of design. All coordination for substitutions shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to coordinate. Increases in project cost shall be borne by the Contractor where deviation is a result of Contractor substitution.

**Piping identification:**
- Piping shall be identified via painting or color coding as noted in the Piping Identification Table. In a mechanical space, the entire pipe and insulation system shall be identified and color coded. Where exposed throughout the entire building, the piping and insulation system shall be marked.

**Piping Identification Table:**

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#### MATERIAL
- **Indoor**: Marker shall be a vinyl film with self-sticking Adhesive.
- **Outdoor**: Marker shall be a vinyl film with UV protection and snap-type Connections.

#### DIRECTIONAL ARROW
- **Indoor**: Vinyl film with self-sticking adhesive.
- **Outdoor**: Arrow to be included with snap-type connection markers.

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**Pipe Jacket Color Table**

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* Urethane Alkyd Enamel

**Ductwork Identification:**
- Exhaust, supply, return, and outside air shall be labeled with a marker or it shall be stenciled. Marker shall be a vinyl film with a self-sticking adhesive.

**Design Conditions:**
The following information should be clearly shown on the drawings, expanded or modified as required by the application. Where values are indicated they should be the basis of the design.

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<td>Winter Outside</td>
<td>0°F db</td>
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<tr>
<td>Winter Inside</td>
<td>74°F (+/- 2°F) db, 30% rh</td>
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**Unoccupied |  |
| Summer | 85°F db |
| Winter | 68°F db |

**Total Cooling Capacity Avail.**
- Tons

**Total Cooling Max. Demand Load**
- Tons

**Chilled Water Delta T**
- 12°F minimum

**Total Heating Capacity**
- BTU/h

**Total Heating Max. Demand**
- BTU/h

**Hot Water Delta T**
- 20 degrees F

**Population**
- # of persons

**Ventilation (outside) air handled by the equipment:**
- Occupied cfm
- Unoccupied cfm

**Domestic Hot Water, Capacity Available**
- gph

**Domestic Hot Water Max. Demand Load**
- gpm

**Domestic Hot Water Temperature Rise**
- degrees F

**Total Water Supply Fixture Units**
- Fixture units

**Water Supply Fixture Units**
- Fixture units

**Hot Water Supply Fixture Units**
- Fixture units

**Drainage Fixture Units**
- Fixture units

**Design Street Water Pressure**
- psig

**Steam, Capacity Available**
- #/hr

**Steam Max. Demand Load**
- #/hr

**Steam Design Pressure (high)**
- 125 psig

**Steam Design Pressure (low)**
- 15 psig

**Gas, natural, demand load (max.)**
- cfm

**Gas, natural, street pressure**
- wg

**Gas, natural, service demand**
- cfm
Design Components shall include all of the following:

- Control logic diagrams
- System schematics
- Points lists
- Component descriptions
- Sequence of operation
- Flow diagrams
- Building Riser diagrams for supply, return, and exhaust systems
- Building air pressure calculation or matrix

Drawings

- All elements of the Work shall be properly coordinated to insure that there are no conflicts between disciplines or between the drawings and the specifications.
- In general, abbreviations should be avoided except those which are generally understood and accepted and listed in the legend and symbols list.
- Drawings shall indicate university assigned room numbers, and have column line designations.
- Mechanical areas – The designer shall provide a layout (¼” = 1 foot scale or larger) of all of the following rooms, to ensure that the equipment will fit in the allotted space.
  - Mechanical rooms; shall provide of maintenance clearance to meet at minimum NEC clearance and manufacturer equipment clearances at 4’ all sides and above highest point
  - Kitchens
  - Labs
  - Clean rooms
  - Areas with a large quantity of mechanical equipment
  - Drawing shall include mechanical elevation drawings
- Congested areas:
  The designer shall identify potential congested areas where mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and fire protection piping and/or equipment are to be installed, and shall provide cross sections (at a minimum ¼” scale).
- Site utility plans
  The mechanical designer shall coordinate with the civil designer to provide a site plan (1” = 40 foot or larger) that shows the following:
  - The routing of propose new external utilities from each new building to each point of connection to the facilities utility systems. Indicate all utility lines that are to be abandoned, rerouted, or removed.
  - The location of all existing utilities within the project site based on the information provided by the university and the designer’s field investigation.
  - Pipe runs shall indicate the type and size, and shall show all valves, etc.
- Mechanical Drawings - The designer shall provide a site plan (1/8” = 1 foot or larger) that shows the following:
  - The location of each piece of equipment including, but not limited to, air handling units, chillers, cooling towers, pumps, converters, expansion tanks, boilers, fans, fan coil units, and other equipment.
  - All ductwork.
  - Indicate all piping runs (including type and sizes). Show all valves, fixtures, etc.
  - Show all areas served for each air handler on small scale drawings, with cross-hatched areas to differentiate between the air handling units.
  - Plumbing, HVAC, and sprinkler drawings shall be presented as three separate drawings.
  - Column lines shall be shown on all building plans and part plans.
  - Locate all pressure sensors that serve Variable Frequency Drives (VFD) on the plans and on the schematics.
  - Drawing shall include mechanical elevation drawings
Specifications:
- Operation and Maintenance manuals:
  - It is a requirement for the contractor to provide operation and maintenance manuals. Manuals shall be supplied with each major piece of equipment. O&M manuals shall include all applicable design calculations used in sizing components. Wiring diagrams, spare parts list, vendor contact numbers, warranty information, and certificates shall be included.
- Testing and Balancing:
  - Static pressure profiles are required for air handling units.
  - Static pressure profiles are required for ductwork systems.
  - It is the testing and balancing contractor’s responsibility the project site prior to taking any measurements to confirm there is enough access to make each and every measurement. “Access Not Available” and similar comments noted in the testing and balancing report are not acceptable. It shall be the responsibility of the general and mechanical contractor to provide access to the system components that will be tested and balanced again, with no additional charges to the University.

Boiler Inspections:
A boiler or pressure vessel requires state inspection from the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation and from an inspector from the State’s Insurance Company. This section addresses many issues concerning Maryland mandated pressure vessel inspection requirements. For current requirements contact the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (DLLR) (http://www.dllr.state.md.us/labor/boil.html). Projects that require the use of the boiler during the construction phase shall have it fully pass the inspection process prior to its use.

Design Guidelines
Combustion air for the boiler shall be supplied via wall louvers or be directly ducted to the burner.
- Size and location of the louvers shall be in compliance with the NFPA.
- The boiler burner must be interlocked with motorized open-closed dampers in the combustion air intake lovers or intake ductwork.

The lockable knife handle type disconnect switch shall be provided for each boiler.
- Disconnect to turn-off all power to the boiler and its control functions and shall be mounted on or near the boiler.

An emergency shut down switch shall be provided for each mechanical room exit.
- Locate switch outside mechanical room entrance, or if tampering is an issue, immediately inside the mechanical room door with a sign posted outside the mechanical room door.
- The switch shall kill power to all burners located in the mechanical room and it shall be accessible.
- The switch shall be on a dedicated circuit breaker.

A relief valve shall be provided for each boiler and the discharge shall be piped to a safe location.
- The size of the piping to match the valve outlet and it shall not be reduced.
- Only one elbow is allowed in the discharge drain piping. Use a pipe site drain with an air gap, if the equipment layout dictates it.

The pilot supply line shall be provided for each boiler.
- The valve shall be connected to the gas fuel train upstream of the main shut off valve.

Interlock mechanical draft dampers with the boiler burner controls
- Clearances around boiler shall be in accordance with name plate data or manufacture’s product literature. If not available maintain a minimum of 3 feet on all sides. Clearance is measured from the object, or boiler appurtenance, furthest protruding from the side.

Low pressure hot water heating boilers operating less than 160# and do not exceed 250 degrees F.
- Requires high-temperature cut-off with a manual reset.
- Controls are such that they cannot be set to exceed the boiler’s temperature rating.
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High pressure boilers shall follow ASME Code Section I and low pressure boilers shall follow ASME Section IV and ASME CSD-1.

Notifying the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation and the insurance inspector.
Designers and Contractors are to notify the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation and the insurance inspector, apply for and receive approvals for a complete installation as required.
- Contractor is responsible for submitting the “Notice of Installation of a Boiler or Pressure Vessel” form to the Chief Inspector 30 days prior to the installation of the boiler.
- Contractor is responsible for notifying the insurance provider once the boiler is ready for start-up.
- After passing insurance company inspection the Contractor is responsible for notifying the State Deputy Boiler Inspector to receive state inspection and the application of DLLR state registration numbers.

Plumbing
The provisions of WSSC apply, as well as industry standard good design practice for educational institutions. The design must reflect the University’s need to perform maintenance and repair without interruption to educational activity. The University encourages the Plumbing consultant to employ water saving and energy-efficient design, consistent with goals of LEED and the project budget.

Products
Piping:
- See the Piping / Valves section.
- See the Mechanical Design Standards section for the required color code.
Values
- See the Piping / Valves section.
- Gate and plug valves shall not be used without approval from the Plumbing Shop.
Fixtures
- Furnish fixtures and appurtenances in accordance with the following schedule.

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<td>Valve by Sloan, American Standard, Toto, Zurn and Delany</td>
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<td>Stainless steel, self-rimming. Compartment quantity and size as required for function.</td>
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#### Design Guidelines
- Provide a back-up pump for all domestic hot water re-circulating systems.
- Provide a separate re-circulating pump for each domestic hot water system that has a different temperature setpoint.
- Provide a valved by-pass on pressure reducing valve assemblies.
- Waterless urinals are not allowed.