



AIR CONDITIONING UNIT REQUIREMENTS



Due to the impact of climate change, summer temperatures continue to climb and stay in place for longer periods of time. With that change, increasing numbers of community homeowners are requesting Board of Director approval to add air conditioning units to their individual townhomes. With a rise in requests that will likely only continue to increase over time, following research and discussion with consideration to inherent noise levels that may exist by the addition of an AC unit, the ERTHA Board of Directors has determined that the following feature must be included in all **Architectural Requests to add an Air Conditioning Unit** to an individual townhome:

- 1) **Installation of a sound blanket** around the compressor itself inside of the AC unit.
- 2) Addition of a **sound blanket** is estimated to significantly reduce unit noise/decibel levels.
- 3) A **sound blanket** has not been shown to reduce airflow or unit performance.
- 4) Addition of a **sound blanket** may extend the life of an AC unit.
- 5) **Sound blanket** pricing will vary by vendor, AC unit pricing/installation vendor arrangements and product availability.

In all instances, homeowners are required to complete and submit an Architectural Request for board consideration, review and approval prior to installation.

The ERTHA property manager should be contacted regarding the various components that need to be included in an Architectural Request to install an AC unit. All components need to be included in the request with the addition of information regarding the installation of a unit sound blanket.

With reference to existing AC units, homeowners may opt to **add a sound blanket** to an existing unit at any time. In the event that an existing AC unit presents with negative noise levels, the homeowner will be directed to add a sound blanket to the unit in order to address the noise issue.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact the ERTHA property manager as noted: Ted Wojtasik, HOAMCO Property Manager
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