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Important: Before purchasing, contact InnoTek regarding inverter compatibility

Design Manual

InnoTek Air HumidiFlex System

Reinventing Humidity Control

The InnoTek Air HumidiFlex System (IAHS), powered by advanced AI-driven dehumidification, transforms the way you manage indoor humidity. As an early adopter, you'll be at the forefront of indoor air quality innovation—delivering smarter, more efficient solutions to your customers.

At the heart of the system is our Dehumidification Mixed Air Controller (DMAC), integrated with precision sensors to deliver unmatched performance and flexibility.

Key Advantages:

- **Intuitive Operation:** A user-friendly Graphical User Interface (GUI) lets you easily select, configure, and design the most efficient dehumidification setup for any application.
- **Competitive Edge:** Stand out as a dealer by offering a cost-effective, energy-efficient humidity control solution that outperforms conventional methods.
- **Wide Application Range:** Perfect for commercial, residential, hospitality, and environmental laboratory environments.

With the DMAC, you're not just controlling humidity, you're redefining it.

- **System Capabilities**
- **Internet Connectivity:** Connect via a mobile hotspot or, preferably, your local internet network.
- **Remote Installation Verification:** Built-in diagnostics allow InnoTek or certified dealers to remotely confirm correct installation and connectivity.
- **Real-Time Performance Monitoring:** Track system performance live to ensure peak efficiency.



- Design & Sizing Support: We assist in designing and sizing the ideal system for your needs, including Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) analysis for maximum performance.
- Custom DMAC Configuration: We tailor the DMAC controller settings to match your specific application.
- Dealer Expertise: Dealers must be skilled in both system design and configuration.
- Flexible Installation: IAHS can be installed as a standalone unit or integrated into an existing system.

InnoTek Air Humidiflex System Capabilities:

- **Internet Connectivity:** The IAHS system can connect to the internet via a cell phone hotspot or, preferably, your local internet connection.
- **Remote Installation Verification:** Our diagnostic tools allow us or a qualified dealer to remotely confirm that your installation was performed correctly and that the system is properly connected.
- **Real-time Performance Monitoring:** You can monitor your system's performance in real-time to ensure optimal operation.
- **Design and Sizing Assistance:** Let us help you **design and size** the ideal dehumidifier system for your unique needs. We also provide **support for Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) analysis** to optimize its performance and efficiency. **DMAC Controller Configuration:** We can configure the DMAC controller to suit your specific application.
- **Dealer Responsibilities:** Dealers are required to be proficient in both system design and configuration.
- IAHS can be installed either as a standalone or on an existing system

To ensure a smooth process, consult the installation manual first.

Specification

InnoTek Air Humidiflex System specification				
MODEL	CONNECTION SIZE	PHYSICAL FAN SIZE	NOISE	POWER
IAHS-8	8 " Dia	8.5" * 11.9" * 9.2"	39 DBA	110 WATTS
IAHS-10	10 " Dia	10.2" * 11.9" * 12.2"	42 DBA	250 WATTS
IAHS-12	12" Dia	12.2" * 17.7" * 14"	62 DBA	250 WATTS

Sizing

Humidiflex System Sizing				
MODEL	< 400 CFM / Ton		> 400 CFM / Ton	
	CFM	SIZE tons	CFM	SIZE tons
IAHS 8	< 400	1.5 - 2.5	> 400	1.5 - 2.0
IAHS 10	< 400	3.0 - 4.0	> 400	2.5 - 3.0
IAHS 12	< 400	4.0-7.5	> 400	3.5 - 5
Note; Size of a IAHS for a unit having a tonnage of SIZE tons for air below or above 400 CFM per ton				

Performance

Humidiflex System Performance					
Temp	Degree F	75	75	80	80
Humidity	RH	50%	60%	50%	60%
Water	lbs/hr.	3.5	4.6	4.6	5.5
Removal	PPD pints	80	105	105	127
Sens. cool cap.	BTU/hr	7200	7500	7900	7200
		capacity per ton	PPD	pints per day	

- Optimizing HVAC System Performance: Initial Setup and Common Issues**

Before installing or servicing an HVAC system, it's crucial to consider two key components: the metering device and the compressor type.

Metering Device: TXV vs. Capillary Tube

The choice of metering device significantly impacts how quickly the system responds to changes: For optimal system performance, a TXV is generally preferred over a capillary tube because of its superior responsiveness and control.

Addressing Common Initial Setup Problems

It's common for HVAC systems to be initially set up with excessive airflow volume, often ranging from 500 to 550 CFM per ton. While this is typically done to ensure widespread air distribution, it can be very damaging to the system's dehumidification capability.

This high airflow is recognizable by an elevated refrigerant suction pressure, indicating an imbalance. Additionally, many units are oversized for the space they're conditioning, which further contributes to inefficient operation and potential comfort issues.

Technicians can easily correct these common problems by:

- Adjusting the fan speed:
- Adding a minimum bypass conduit:
- Properly balancing the system's dampers to achieve the correct suction pressure is crucial for optimal refrigerant flow and overall system performance.

By recognizing these initial setup conditions and implementing these corrective actions, technicians can significantly improve the efficiency, longevity, and comfort provided by HVAC systems.

Random Notes

A Note on Humidity

- It's helpful to understand that **humidity behaves very differently from temperature**. Unlike temperature, which can vary significantly from room to room, specific humidity tends to spread quickly and evenly throughout your home due to a process called diffusion.

Enhanced Dehumidification and Sensible Cooling

- IAHS's efficiency stems from its unique ability to reduce sensible heat transfer from the air and significantly lower the **delivery air dew point**. This design effectively shifts the balance, decreasing the sensible air capacity ratio while substantially increasing the **latent heat capacity**.
- This allows the unit to provide extra dehumidification whenever needed. Furthermore, it enables IAHS to run for longer periods to achieve the same sensible cooling effect, leading to even greater dehumidification due to the extended operating time.



A Note on Decoupling

In a **decoupled** system, one piece of equipment is solely responsible for controlling humidity levels, while a separate piece of equipment handles cooling based on a simple thermostat. This means the two functions—humidity control and temperature control—are completely independent.

A Note on Troubleshooting Capabilities

- **Enhanced Troubleshooting with DMAC**
The **DMAC** provides dealers and installers with a powerful tool for both on-site and remote troubleshooting and monitoring. This ensures the IABD is always installed correctly.

Dewpoint

Our optional dewpoint control offers a powerful and innovative approach to comfort. Unlike traditional relative humidity (RH) control, dewpoint control adapts to changes in temperature, providing a more consistent and comfortable environment.

Benefits of Programmable Thermostats with Dewpoint Control

A major advantage of using a programmable thermostat with our optional dewpoint control feature is its ability to maintain building humidity levels even during thermostat setbacks.

Unlike traditional relative humidity (RH) control, which often causes existing systems to take several days to recover humidity control after a setback, dewpoint control does not require any time to recover, ensuring consistent comfort.

Latent Load Considerations with IAHS

When installing an IAHS, it's crucial to understand the additional dehumidification it provides. You'll need to account for this extra dehumidification, both when your primary cooling system is active and when it's not. This understanding is key to proper system design and performance.

Inverter unit



Inverter units are highly efficient, but they're typically slow to ramp up, which can delay adequate dehumidification. This often means the sensible cooling load is met before sufficient humidity removal occurs.

However, the **DMAC controller** can significantly increase the ramp rate of inverter units, leading to much faster and more effective dehumidification.

Existing technology

Most existing dehumidifiers, whether for basements or whole houses, are rated in pints per day. However, this rating is typically based on air conditions of 80°F and 60% relative humidity, which isn't representative of comfortable indoor environments. This can be misleading, as it doesn't accurately reflect performance under normal operating conditions. What's more, this daily rating fails to account for rapid fluctuations in dehumidification capacity caused by simple actions like opening a door to let a pet in.

Operating cost

While added comfort from dehumidification will increase operating costs, it's important to consider which type of dehumidifier you're comparing it to.

For homeowners, there's potential savings: by effectively controlling humidity, you can often set your thermostat to a higher temperature and still feel just as comfortable. This means your air conditioning system might run less.

Many standard dehumidifiers, however, actually reheat the air. This often causes your primary cooling system, which does the majority of the dehumidifying work, to run longer. Think of it like a rotating energy trap, where you're constantly fighting against your cooling efforts.

For the **IAHS TCM** (Total Comfort Mode) model, its efficiency is often tied to the existing unit's performance. However, with both the **MDM** (Maximum Dehumidification Mode) and **AMDM** (Adaptive Maximum Dehumidification Mode) models, the **designer has direct control over the unit's efficiency**. This means the **IABD** empowers designers to implement the most efficient refrigeration-based dehumidification possible.

- **Refrigerant oil return**

Investigate the specific challenges that long and elevated refrigerant lines pose to effective oil return, considering factors like gravity, pressure drop, and refrigerant velocity



Explore how the control and operation of condenser fans can indirectly or directly influence system pressures and refrigerant flow dynamics to aid in oil return. Augmenting the suction line set point through the DMAC controller improves the oil transport back to the compressor. Crankcase heaters, condenser fan influence, suction line set point adjustment) They are crucial for ensuring proper oil return under challenging line conditions.

Application specifics:

Residential	Greenhouse	industrial
Clean room	Makeup air	institutional
Environmental room	Swimming Pools	Dance Hall
Human comfort	Restaurants	Retails
Fresh air	Hospitals	Groceries store

Critical Considerations for Effective Indoor Environment Control

Achieving optimal indoor comfort and air quality requires a nuanced understanding of humidity, system dynamics, and advanced control technologies like the InnoTek Air Humidiflex System (IAHS) and the Total Comfort Mode (TCM).

Key Benefits of the InnoTek Air Humidiflex System (IAHS)

The IAHS significantly enhances HVAC system performance for humidity control, offering five main advantages:

1. **Increased Latent Cooling Capacity:** The IAHS boosts a system's ability to remove moisture (latent capacity) relative to its overall cooling power. This means it can dry the air more effectively.



2. **Faster Dew Point Achievement:** It drastically cuts down the time it takes for each cooling cycle to reach the dew point, leading to quicker and more efficient dehumidification.
3. **Lower Delivered Dew Point:** The system can achieve a much lower dew point, resulting in significantly drier air for enhanced comfort and mold prevention.
4. **Extended Cooling Cycles:** The IAHS noticeably lengthens the cooling cycle duration. This leads to more consistent temperature and humidity control, reducing uncomfortable swings.
5. **Enhanced Technician Control:** It provides HVAC technicians with a comprehensive range of controls, enabling them to fine-tune and optimize any system for peak performance.

Understanding Humidity Dynamics

The TCM (Total Comfort Mode) is a highly adaptable technology for managing indoor environments, and its effectiveness hinges on a clear understanding of humidity's unique behavior.

Humidity behaves differently from temperature. While temperature can equalize relatively quickly through air currents, humidity vapor pressure diffuses to an equilibrium state. This means:

- If you open a door on a hot, humid day, heat enters quickly due to air movement and temperature differences. However, humidity can move much faster, driven by differences in vapor pressure (diffusion), not just air currents.
- The impact of opening a door for just 5 minutes on indoor humidity can be comparable to opening it for 15 minutes on temperature. This is because humidity takes a shorter time to reach equilibrium due to the rapid nature of vapor diffusion.
- While maintaining positive building pressure can help prevent rainwater intrusion and subsequent mold growth, it doesn't fully stop the diffusion of humidity vapor pressure. Humidity will still find a way in.

This principle is evident in everyday scenarios. For instance, grocery stores often use air stream curtains in open freezers to try and prevent humidity from entering. While controlling overall store humidity is critical, humidity still travels by diffusion



into these freezers. This leads to increased frost buildup on cooling coils, which in turn requires more frequent defrost cycles, consuming more energy.

Adaptability and Unit Sizing

TCM's adaptability also depends heavily on how it interacts with the HVAC unit's sizing and operation:

- **Unit Size Versus Cooling Load:** Accurately understanding the heating and cooling demands of space is crucial for the TCM to operate efficiently. An improperly sized unit will struggle to maintain optimal conditions.
 - **Dehumidification Challenges with Oversized Units:**
 - When an HVAC unit's cooling load operates below its capacity, most systems tend to cycle on and off frequently. This frequent cycling often leads to inadequate humidity control.
 - During any given cycle, it takes a significant amount of time for effective dehumidification to occur. In some cases, frequent cycling can even prevent any meaningful moisture removal.
 - Crucially, oversized units are worse than undersized units for dehumidification because they cycle more often. This reduces the continuous run-time needed for effective moisture removal.
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TCM Auto or Adaptive Mode: Optimizing Performance

TCM's Auto or Adaptive Mode is designed to optimize system performance, particularly concerning dehumidification:

- **Peak Load Operation:** During peak load conditions, the TCM, after an adaptive period, won't interfere with the system's cooling capacity. This is because, in most peak load situations, the system is already designed to handle both cooling and dehumidification needs effectively.
- **Off-Peak Efficiency with IAHS:** Systems rarely operate at peak load continuously. This is where IAHS becomes highly efficient. During off-peak hours (like at night), the IAHS actively dehumidifies, significantly reducing the latent load. When peak



load conditions return, the central system doesn't have to contend with this pre-reduced latent load. This allows it to cycle more effectively and dehumidify throughout the peak load duration. Essentially, by working longer during off-peak periods, the IAHS helps offset the loads and reduces the overall capacity required during peak load.

System Integration and Control

TCM's application and performance will also vary significantly depending on the type of HVAC unit it's integrated with:

- **Unit Type Matters:** The TCM's effectiveness changes depending on whether it's integrated with a single-stage, dual-stage, or inverter-type HVAC unit. Each type has different operational characteristics that the TCM must account for.
- **Two-Stage and Inverter Systems:** With a two-stage system or an inverter-type system operating on any lower stage, the TCM disregards adapting to provide sensible cooling. Instead, it maximizes dehumidification while providing minimal cooling.
- **Stage Activation:** Once a thermostat calls for more sensible cooling, a second stage activates, causing the adaptive mode to re-engage its broader control strategy.

Finally, optimizing the TCM's performance requires sophisticated settings adjustments. Its settings are complex and need to be fine-tuned to achieve the desired environmental control and energy efficiency. Moreover, continuous monitoring acts as a teaching tool, providing data that helps refine these settings over time for even better performance.

Understanding these critical considerations is essential for maximizing the effectiveness of both the IAHS and TCM in creating truly comfortable and healthy indoor environments. What other aspects of indoor environment control are you interested in discussing?



InnoTek Air Humidiflex System combined with a single central split system

Step 1: size and select the required performance

To begin with, accurately identify and configure your system's design features, configurations, and DMAC.

Key Configurations:

1. **Model Setting:** In the configuration menu, the system's **Model** must be set to **TCM**.
2. **Auxiliary Mode:** The preferred auxiliary mode should be **forced cooling**.

Understanding the Sensible Adjustment Period:

Grasping the concept of the **sensible adjustment period** is critical for optimal dehumidification and cooling.

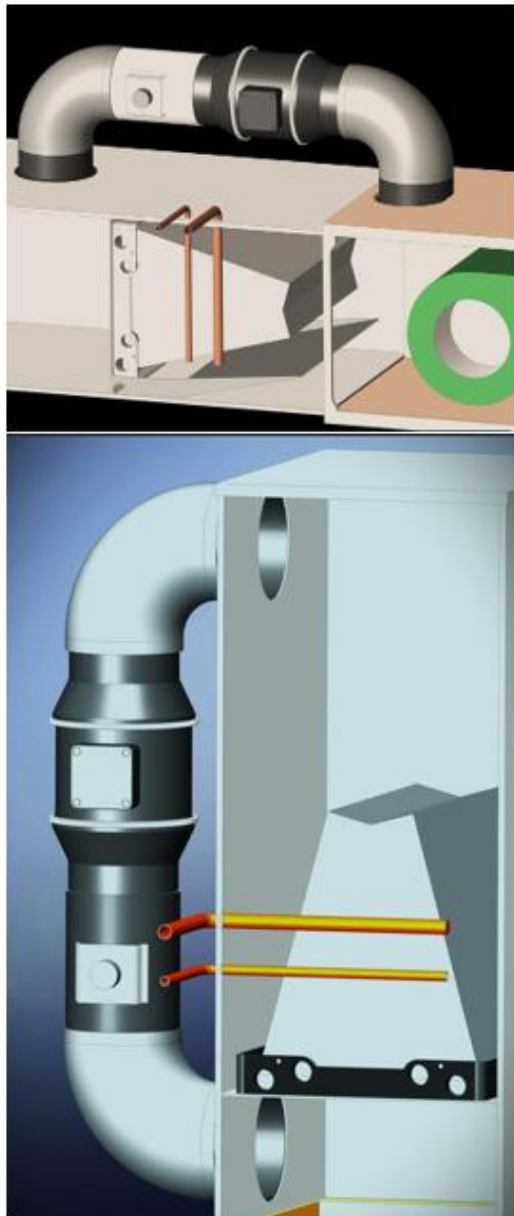
- **A. Adjustment Period Functionality:** During this period, the **suction temperature set point** is gradually increased over a specific duration (X time). This adjustment helps to prioritize dehumidification.
- **B. Two-Stage Condenser Behavior (Stage 1):** If your system uses a **two-stage condenser**, the first stage will **bypass** the sensible adjustment period entirely. This allows for a longer dehumidification cycle.
- **C. Two-Stage System Behavior (Stage 2 Activation):** However, if the second stage of a two-stage system activates, **sensible cooling takes priority**. This means the system will shift its focus to cooling, likely overriding or modifying the dehumidification priority established by the initial adjustment period.
- **The adaptive mode only operates if the DMAC is set to Auto**
- **If the DMAC is set to on**, then the Controller maintains a steady Suction line set point and does not change, which is ideal for seasonal demand, nights, and oversized units.
- **Suction set point adjustment:** usually set to 42F for an AC and an HP can be set lower to 40F



PHYSICAL INSTALLATION (IT IS A REQUIREMENT THAT THE INSTALLATION RESEMBLES ONE OF THESE 2 DRAWINGS)



Several installation options for the bypass fan and optional damper are illustrated below.



The bypass fan is installed in series with the optional motorized damper. The maximum duct length for the bypass fan, including up to two 90-degree elbows, is 25 feet. For longer duct runs, consult the manufacturer.

The motorized damper can be installed anywhere within the fan's duct run, but it is preferably located on the fan's intake (suction) side. Ductwork can be rectangular but must have a cross-sectional area equivalent to the fan's diameter. A qualified installer must perform the ductwork installation, ensuring compliance with all applicable local codes and regulations.

The accompanying figures illustrate the bypass fan and damper installed in series with the supply or return duct of an air handling unit. The bypass fan is also shown installed parallel to the evaporator coil. In this parallel configuration, the fan draws air from the coil's intake, discharges it, and then the combined airflow is introduced into the coil's outlet.



CONSIDERATION IF THERE IS MORE THAN 1 SYSTEM

If your home has more than one HVAC system, especially if one unit is significantly larger than the other or if that unit is equal in capacity but seems to work more efficiently, you likely only need one (IAHS) installed. This is because humidity spreads differently than temperature; it equalizes throughout a space quickly via diffusion, so managing it with a single, IAHS can be effective for the entire home.

However, if any of your HVAC units introduce a significant amount of fresh air, you might get better results by installing an IAHS for each system.

Residential solution having an IABD stand-alone dehumidifier combined with more than 1 central system

Maximum Dehumidifier Mode (MDM):

Maximum Dehumidifier Mode requires an Independent Air Conditioner system as a standalone system. The controller is designed to allow any HVAC contractor to create a custom dehumidifier using readily available, cost-effective air conditioning components.

MDM prioritizes dehumidification. It enhances dehumidification by lowering the coil's supply air dew point, which reduces sensible cooling and extends the cooling cycle, resulting in drier air. The system's logic and algorithm are designed to maximize dehumidification capacity.

MDM is compatible *only* with single-stage condenser units and can be configured as a standalone system or reduced in parallel with multiple split-type cooling systems.

Installation should be performed consistently with the subsequent drawings. Diverters are necessary to orient the air entering the central system to match the direction of the central system.



Step 1: Design Consideration; (**building your dehumidifier**)

Here's a clearer breakdown of the design considerations for your stand-alone indoor dehumidifier:

- **Airflow:** The stand-alone indoor dehumidifier unit needs to provide an airflow of **350 cubic feet per minute (CFM) per ton** of cooling capacity.
- **Ducting Connection:** The dehumidifier's conditioned air must be **integrated into the existing system's supply air ductwork**. Ensure the airflow from the dehumidifier enters the ducting in the **same direction** as the main system's airflow.
- **Air Volume Integration:** The air volume supplied by the dehumidifier system should be **20% of the total air volume** of the system connected to.
- **Increased Air Volume (Fresh Air):** You can increase the dehumidifier's air volume to **25%** of the main system's volume **only if there's a significant amount of fresh air** being introduced into that system.
- **DMAC Setting:** The DMAC must be set to **MDM**. The **delivery air** of any system the IAHS is connected to must never be less than 55°F.
- **Unit Tonnage Sizing:** To determine the appropriate tonnage for the unit, calculate the **Total CFM (cubic feet per minute) required by entering all systems**, and then **divide this Total CFM by 350 CFM per ton**.
- **Total CFM Calculation:** The "Total CFM" is the **sum of all CFM required for the air supply entering each system**.
- **New Installation Heat Gain Credit:** For new installations, the **total system tonnage can be reduced by 10%**. This acts as a **credit** due to the integration of the dehumidification unit.

Commercial

- **Accounting for Latent Load**
When designing an installation, it's crucial to consider any added latent load. The existing unit can't adequately remove this load or even identify when it might occur. Properly accounting for it will ensure correct sizing and configuration, preventing the current system from being overwhelmed and underperforming.



- **Modifying Commercial System Air Delivery**
Adding a separate unit to a commercial system might necessitate altering the design of the system's air delivery conditions. This is because the independent operation of the new unit impacts the designs.
- **About the Optional Dewpoint Control Feature**
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- **Makeup Air Dehumidification**



Providing makeup air with a lower dew point can be an effective way to address a building's overall dehumidification challenges.

- **Speed Drive Considerations**

The control of speed drives for indoor motors is a very important detail that requires careful consideration.

- **Zone controls**

Careful consideration of **zone controls** is necessary to ensure proper system functionality.

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- **Low outdoor ambient conditions**

Serious consideration must be given if the unit is required to operate in low outdoor conditions.

Condenser fan pressure controls can be utilized to allow equipment to operate at lower outdoor temperatures.

For ultra-low, low same as any equipment inverter-type heat pump condenser is required.

- ***Design and Sizing Assistance:*** *Let us help you **design and size** the ideal dehumidifier system for your unique needs. We also provide **support for Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) analysis** to optimize its performance and efficiency. DMAC Controller Configuration: We can configure the DMAC controller to suit your specific application.*

Commercial solutions have a single ROOFTOP, Split central system or Makeup air

In this application, the (AMDM) Adaptive Maximum Dehumidifier Mode is the preferred method to combine the IABD to a Single Rooftop

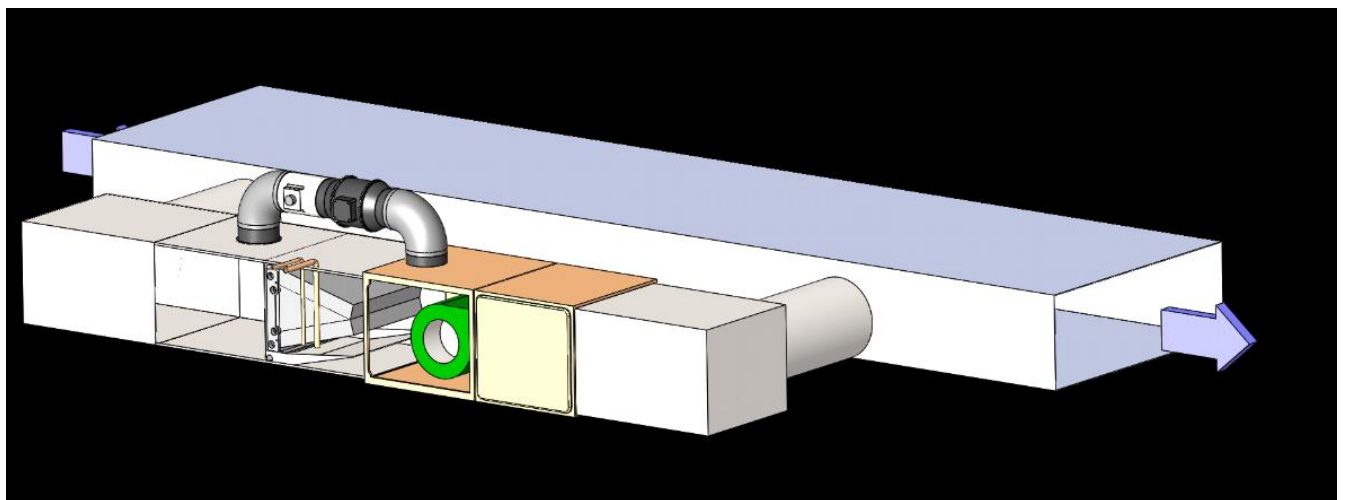
Adaptable Maximum Dehumidifier Mode (AMDM): The IAHS is combined as a stand-alone system. The stand-alone unit is integrated into the delivery air of a central unit.

Same as the MDM, **except:**

Also, it functions as a standalone unit but is integrated into any of the air supply ducts of a central HVAC system. Like the Maximum Dehumidifier Mode (MDM), the IAHS prioritizes dehumidification. It can be installed within the supply air duct of *any* central HVAC system (as illustrated in the accompanying diagram).

- It can be ducted in parallel with the central air system (as shown in the drawing).
- The indoor unit must be capable of switching between low and high blower speeds. A single-stage indoor unit must be matched with a single-stage condenser to facilitate fan control.
- The high blower speed must be at least 450 CFM per ton, while the low blower speed should be approximately 350 CFM per ton.

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Key Design Considerations

When designing a system, it's crucial to account for several factors to ensure optimal performance and efficiency. Here are the important design considerations:

- **Airflow Dynamics:** The designer needs to carefully consider the system's static pressure, the conditions of the air during both operation and non-operation, and any downstream stages or zones. Duct sizing is also critical to ensure proper airflow distribution.
- **Blower Drive:** The indoor blower drive significantly impacts system performance and should be a key consideration in the design process.



- Decoupling: Proper decoupling of components is essential to minimize vibration and noise, contributing to a more stable and efficient system.
- System Sizing and Air Conditioning Delivery: The size of the system should be determined by its air conditioning delivery requirements. A good rule of thumb for suggested sizing is an increase of 20%, but not exceeding 30%, to allow for future expansion or unexpected demands.
- CFD Design: Utilizing Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) in the design process can help simulate airflow and identify potential issues before implementation, leading to a more optimized design.
- Controls: The type of controls, such as a Building Automation System (BAS), will play a vital role in managing and optimizing the system's operation.