

# Simple Heating System Size: Washington State

This heating system sizing calculator is based on the Prescriptive Requirements of the 2018 and 2021 Washington State Energy Code (WSEC) . This tool will calculate heating loads only. ACCA procedures for sizing cooling systems should be used to determine cooling loads.

Please complete the green drop-downs and boxes that are applicable to your project. As you make selections in the drop-downs for each section, some values will be calculated for you. If you do not see the selection you need in the drop-down options, please contact the WSU Energy Program at [energycode@energy.wsu.edu](mailto:energycode@energy.wsu.edu) or (360) 956-2042 for assistance.

This tool is for the permitting purposes only. A Manual J calculation is required to meet the requirement of the Washington State Energy Code.

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### Heating System Type:

All Other Systems

Heat Pump

To see detailed instructions for each section, place your cursor on the word "Instructions"

### Design Temperature

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Mercer Island

Design Temperature 25

Design Temperature Difference ( $\Delta T$ ) 45

$\Delta T = \text{Indoor (70 degrees)} - \text{Outdoor Design Temp}$

### Area of Building

#### Conditioned Floor Area

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Conditioned Floor Area (sq ft)

8,064

#### Average Ceiling Height

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Average Ceiling Height (ft)

10.5

Conditioned Volume  
84,672

### Glazing and Doors

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U-0.25

U-Factor X Area = UA  
0.250 X 1,285 = 321.25

### Skylights

[Instructions](#)

U-Factor X Area = UA  
0.50 X [ ] = 0.00

### Insulation

#### Attic

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None

U-Factor X Area = UA  
-- X [ ] = --

#### Single Rafter or Joist Vaulted Ceilings

[Instructions](#)

R-60

U-Factor X Area = UA  
0.017 X 3,500 = 59.50

#### Above Grade Walls (see Figure 1)

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R-21 INT plus R-5 ci

U-Factor X Area = UA  
0.041 X 4,933 = 202.25

#### Floors

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R-38

U-Factor X Area = UA  
0.025 X 1,209 = 30.23

#### Below Grade Walls and Slabs (see Figure 1)

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Wall & Slab R13 Batt + R5 ci

Depth 7' depth

Wall U-Factor X Area = UA  
0.034 X 1,800 = 61.21

Slab F-Factor X Length = UA  
0.556 X 200 = 111.27

#### Slab on Grade (see Figure 1)

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R-10 Fully Insulated

F-Factor X Length = UA  
0.360 X 200 = 72.00

### Location of Ducts

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Conditioned Space

Duct Leakage Coefficient  
1.000

Sum of UA 857.70  
Envelope Heat Load 38,596 Btu / Hour  
*Sum of UA x  $\Delta T$*   
Air Leakage Heat Load 41,151 Btu / Hour  
*Volume x 0.6 x  $\Delta T$  x 0.018*  
Building Design Heat Load 79,747 Btu / Hour  
*Air leakage + envelope heat loss*  
Building and Duct Heat Load 79,747 Btu / Hour  
*Ducts in unconditioned space: sum of building heat loss x 1.10*  
*Ducts in conditioned space: sum of building heat loss x 1*  
Maximum Heat Equipment Output 99,684 Btu / Hour  
*Building and duct heat loss x 1.40 for forced air furnace*  
*Building and duct heat loss x 1.25 for heat pump*

Figure 1.

