

# "Borrowed Time" Guide











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# REPAIR vs REPLACE

# WHAT WILL IT COST ME TO KEEP MY SYSTEM?

# REPAIR

# **FACTORS**

# REPLACE



# **UNDER 10 YEARS**

System is less than 10 years old, still under warranty and has a high efficiency rating.

**AGE OF THE SYSTEM** 

**OVER 10 YEARS** 

AC system is old, less efficient, utilizes toxic refrigerants.



### MINOR REPAIRS

Faulty ductwork Clogged drain line Electrical problem

**EXTENT OF ISSUES** 

**EXTENSIVE REPAIRS** 

Blower motor Compressor Condenser coils Heat exchanges





### LESS FREQUENT REPAIRS

Less than 2 repairs in last 10 years.

FREQUENCY OF **BREAKDOWNS** 

**FREQUENT REPAIRS** 

More than 2 repairs in last 10 years.





Add up your recent repair costs and if it is less than 50% of the price of a new system, new system, then consider having it inspected and

**COST OF REPAIRS** 

**MORE THAN 50% OF THE COST OF A NEW AC UNIT** 



fixed. Also, be sure to check if your unit is still covered under its warranty.

### **IDEAL SIZE**

Ensure your unit is sized to meet your homes heat/ cool demand, so it runs at peak performance.

SIZE

**OVER OR UNDER-SIZED** 

up to date model. It will save you more in

the long run.



If AC system is under or over-sized for your home, it should be replaced.



## **HIGHER THAN 13 SEER OR 10 EER RATING**

Higher than 13 seer cooling, 10 EER HP. 90% EFF gas.

**ENERGY EFFICIENCY**  **LESS THAN 13 SEER OR 10 EER RATING** 



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# BENEFITS

# ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Cut down on high utility bills and

reduce your carbon footprint with

a high efficiency model.

# HIGHER MARKET VALUE

Buyers are willing to pay more for a home with an updated, efficient cooling system.

https://www.energy.gov/savings/residential-energy-efficiency-tax-credit

# TAX INCENTIVES

Heating/Cooling system that achieve the highest energy efficiency tier may be eligible for tax and rebate incentives. Always consult your tax professional.



With so much information available, how do you know which is good? Most of what you can find on-line is marketing and opinion. However, there are organizations who work very hard to protect and assist the home owner. They have spent decades researching, testing, and gathering information to ensure home owners get what they paid for in terms of comfort, efficiency, safety, performance, longevity, peace of mind, health, and reliability.

"Finding a trustworthy contractor to install and service an HVAC system matters the most. While Consumer Reports would like to provide you with brand and model ratings...it would not be practical because there are so many variables to consider, including a home's size and design, installation...while a significant variable affecting performance is the quality and construction of the duct distribution system."

"While 94% of home owners thought they selected a great contractor, 64% reported they did not get what they paid for. And when asked how much more they would've paid to get what they expected, the average respondent said \$1,500."



### **Consumer Reports**

The equipment only represents the <u>potential</u> to perform, last, and provide comfort and efficiency. Energy Star has found that the same two pieces of equipment can perform up to 50% differently in these area's of value, based upon who installed it. It is for this reason every agency out there suggests to not buy a box, but invest in a company and their craftsman. They will be the key to providing you everything you expected from the equipment.

"It's not just whether a company is good or not. There are a lot of great companies who install equipment to merely function... missing the equipment's potential by a long shot. So, it's a good company doing the right things."



Air Conditioning Contractors of America is a non-profit organization dedicated to establishing industry standards of excellence and performance. They have provided the Quality Installation (Q.I.) standards that must be followed in order for a piece of equipment to perform to its rated capacity, efficiency, longevity and reliability.







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Most companies define what they do as replacing the equipment. They take out something that was functioning and put something in that will function. This approach allows them to hire individuals who can follow basic steps to replace an HVAC system. However, this approach does not require the same level of craftsmanship the Quality Installation Standards require. The best craftsman will only work for companies who give them the time, training, support, continuing education, and expectations that they are supported to follow all standards and guidelines which will give the customer what they paid for.

"Look for a company who's hiring process is demanding and comprehensive. These companies take the responsibility of being in the home very serious and know that the product is the individual who enters the home, not the piece of equipment. A home owner is paying for what the equipment can do, now what it is. The individual's installing are 100% responsible for this."





The equipment is a very small part of the solution and more advanced equipment installed in the wrong conditions will make the problems worse, or create problems. At the very least, make sure your contractor is doing the following.

- Calculating the rate of heat gain/loss throughout the home (Manual J)
- Calculating the capacity of the duct work to match Manufacturers requirements for airflow
- Following the A.C.C.A. Quality Installation (Q.I.) guidelines or Energy Star Quality Installation Verification (Q.I.V.) guidelines

  Building codes only verify safety; the Q.I. & Q.I.V. standards are required to verify comfort, efficiency, performance, longevity,
  reliability, Health, and efficiency. Half of the home owners investment relies on this very important fact." Here are a few Q.I. standards.

Proper Vacuum

Precision Refrigerant Charge

Combustion Analysis

Nitrogen Back-fill Brazing

Engineered Plenum

Proper Plenum/Duct Sealing

# A Few Quality Third Party Resources

https://www.acca.org/HigherLogic/System/DownloadDocumentFile.ashx?DocumentFileKey=22b89ec8-d9dc-44cf-aa8d-17ac9be85ed8&forceDialog=0 https://www.energystar.gov/ia/partners/bldrs\_lenders\_raters/downloads/ENERGY\_STAR\_V3\_HVAC\_Quality\_Installation\_Guidebook\_2.21.2011.pdf https://www.energystar.gov/ia/products/heat\_cool/HVAC\_QL\_bidsheet.pdf https://www.energystar.gov/sites/default/files/asset/document/HeatingCoolingGuide%20FINAL\_9-4-09\_0.pdf

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The Solutions

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Sincerely,

Eric Corbett

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