

GARAGE VENT PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

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Subject to the significant limitations, the ARC will consider proposals for the installation of static ventilation systems or power ventilation systems involving one or more of the following exterior components:

- a vent added to the roof of the house, for drawing hot air out of the garage via ductwork up through the attic
- a vent in the wall of the garage on the side of the house with an electric exhaust fan.

All exterior garage vents:

- Should be installed in a neat professional manner.
- Must be properly maintained at all times, preventing any rust, peeling paint, etc.
- The noise of any associated motors must be minimal, so as not to disturb any of the neighbors.
- If vents are to be covered during colder weather, the covering must be done from the inside (i.e. not visible from the outside)

For powered roof exhaust vents:

- The roof vent should be the low profile covered round or square metal type, not to exceed thirty inches (30") in width or length.
- There should be no more than one (1) roof vent installed for the purpose of garage ventilation.
- The roof vent should be positioned as inconspicuously as possible.
- The roof vent should be finished in a dull/flat color which visually blends in with the roof shingle color.

For garage wall vents:

- The shape of the wall vent should be rectangular or square (not round, not triangular, not a hexagon, not a halfmoon, etc).
- The size of the wall vent should not exceed thirty inches (30") in width or length.
- There should be no more than one (1) garage wall vent installed for the purpose of garage ventilation.
- The vent should be mounted flat on the face of the wall, with any louvers as well as the fan & motor hidden inside the garage.
- Vents should be positioned as inconspicuously as possible.
- The vent opening should be covered with a simple flush-mounted grillwork, with the screening behind the grillwork.
- The wall vent should be finished in a dull/flat color which visually blends in with the applicable exterior wall color.

The proposals submitted to the ARC should address only those components of the ventilation system which affect the exterior of the Dwelling, and should include the specific design, placement, size, materials, & color of those exterior components of the

system. [Do not include specifications of the electrical wiring, interior ductwork, timers, motors, etc. which do not appear on the exterior of the house.]

The installation of ventilation systems in garages, especially powered ventilation systems, which contain gas water heaters or gas furnaces can cause significant safety issues if the system is not properly designed and installed. The homeowner, and not the AHHA or ARC, is fully responsible for ensuring compliance with all safety standards as well as all regulatory requirements regarding building permits, building codes, etc.

Because such modifications affect the exterior of the house, and because proper removal of the vents could be quite costly, remember that written prior approval from the ARC is required before you begin any installation of such a garage ventilation system. Failure to obtain prior approval may result in your being required to remove the vents and restore the openings so that the damage is invisible.

Some examples of garage wall vents:



Some examples of roof exhaust vents:

