

Guide to Alternative Refrigerants

Air Conditioning Commercial and Residential

ASHRAE#	Trade or Brand Name	Manufacturer	Type ^(e)	Replaces	Lubricant ^(a)	Applications	Comments
R-123	Genetron 123 Suva 123 Forane 123	Honeywell DuPont Atofina	Pure Fluid HCFC	R-11	Alkylbenzene or Mineral Oil	Centrifugal Chillers	
R-134a Genetron 134a Suva 134a	Suva 134a	Honeywell DuPont Atofino	Pure Fluid HFC	R-12	Polyol Ester	New Equipment and Retrofits	Close match to R-12.
	Florane 134a Klea 134a	Atofina ICI		R-22	Polyol Ester	New Equipment	Lower capacity than R-22 so larger equipment needed.
R-410A (125/32)	Genetron AZ-20® Forane 410A Suva 410A Puron	Honeywell Atofina DuPont	Azeotropic Mixture HFC	R-22	Polyol Ester	New Equipment. Widely Accepted by OEMs.	High efficiency. Equipment redesign required.
R-407C (125/32/134a)	Genetron 407C Forane 407C Suva 407C Klea 407C	Honeywell Atofina DuPont ICI	Blend (High glide) HFC	R-22	Polyol Ester	New Equipment and Retrofits	Expedient alternative to R-22. Close capacity, but lower efficiency.

Commercial Refrigeration Very Low Temperature Long Term Replacements

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R-23	Genetron 23 Suva 23 Klea 23	Honeywell DuPont ICI	Pure fluid HFC	R-13	Polyol Ester	New Equipment and Retrofits	Capacity between R-13 and R-503. Higher discharge temperature than R-13.
R-508A (23/116)	Klea 508A	ICI	Azeotrope HFC/FC	R-13 R-503	Polyol Ester	New Equipment and Retrofits	
R-508B (23/116)	Genetron 508B Suva 95	Honeywell DuPont	Azeotrope HFC/FC	R-13 R-503	Polyol Ester	New Equipment and Retrofits	Capacity similar to R-503. Lower discharge temperature.

Low and Medium Temperature Interim HCFC-Based Replacements^(b)

ASHRAE#	Trade or Brand Name	Manufacturer	Type ^(e)	Replaces	Lubricant ^(a)	Applications	Comments
R-402A (22/125/290)	Genetron HP80 Suva HP80	Honeywell DuPont	Blend (Small glide) HCFC/HFC/ HC	R-502	Alkylbenzene or Polyol Ester	Retrofits	Retrofit R-502 systems with simple change to alkylbenzene oil. Higher discharge pressure than R-502.
R-402B (22/125/290)	Genetron HP81 Suva HP81	Honeywell DuPont	Blend (Small glide) HCFC/HFC/ HC	R-502	Alkylbenzene or Polyol Ester	Ice Machines	Rapid harvest cycle in ice machines due to higher discharge temperature than R-502.
R-408A (22/125/143a)	Genetron 408A Suva 408A Forane FX-10	Honeywell DuPont Atofina	Blend (Small glide) HCFC/HFC	R-502	Alkylbenzene or Polyol Ester	Retrofits	Retrofit R-502 systems with simple change to alkylbenzene oil. Higher discharge temperature than R-502.

Commercial Refrigeration (continued)

Low and Medium Temperature Long Term HFC-Based Replacements

ASHRAE#	Trade or Brand Name	Manufacturer	Type ^(e)	Replaces	Lubricant ^(a)	Applications	Comments
R-507A (125/143a)	Genetron AZ-50® Suva 507	Honeywell DuPont	Azeotrope HFC	R-502 R-22	Polyol Ester	New Equipment and Retrofits	Close match to R-502. Best long-term option. Higher efficiency than 404A and low temperature R-22.
R-404A (125/143a/134a)	Genetron 404A Forane FX-70 Suva HP62	Honeywell Atofina DuPont	Blend (Small glide) HFC	R-502 R-22	Polyol Ester	New Equipment and Retrofits	Close match to R-502. Higher efficiency than R-22 at low temperature.
R-407D (125/134a/32)	Klea 407D	ICI	Blend (Small glide) HFC	R-500 R-12 (Low Temp)	Polyol Ester	New Equipment and Retrofits	Slightly higher capacity than R-500. Higher capacity than R-12.

Medium Temperature Interim HCFC-Based Replacements^(b)

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R-401A (22/152a/124)	Genetron MP39 Suva MP39	Honeywell DuPont	Blend (Moderate glide) HCFC/HFC	R-12	Alkylbenzene, Polyol Ester, or Mineral oil in many cases.	Retrofits ^(c)	No oil change needed above 20°F (-7°C) evaporator unless extremely long piping.
R-401B (22/152a/124)	Genetron MP66 Suva MP66	Honeywell DuPont	Blend (Moderate glide) HCFC/HFC	R-12	Alkylbenzene Polyol Ester, or Mineral oil in many cases.	Transport Refrigeration Retrofits ^(c)	Close to R-12. Use where evaporator temperature is below -10°F.
				R-500	many cases.	Retrofits including air conditioners and dehumidifiers	
R-409A (22/124/142b)	Genetron 409A Forane FX-56 Suva 409A	Honeywell Atofina DuPont	Blend (High glide) HCFC	R-12	Alkylbenzene, Polyol Ester, or Mineral oil in most cases.	Retrofits ^(c)	No oil change above -20°F (-29°C) evaporator unless extrememly long piping.
R-414A (22/124/142b/ 600a) ^(d)	GHG-X4	Autofrost/ Peoples Welding Supply	Blend (High glide) HCFC/HC	R-12	Alkylbenzene, Polyol Ester, or Mineral oil in most cases.	Retrofits	Similar to 409A.
R-414B (22/124/142b/ 600a) ^(d)	Hot Shot	ICOR International	Blend (High glide) HCFC/HC	R-12	Alkylbenzene, Polyol Ester, or Mineral oil in most cases.	Retrofits	Similar to 409A.
R-416A (124/134a/600) ^(d)	FRIGC R-416A FRIGC FR-12	Intercool	Blend (Small glide) HCFC/HFC/HC	R-12	Polyol Ester	Retrofits	Lower capacity and pressure than R-134a.

Medium Temperature Long Term HFC-Based Replacements

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R-134a	Genetron 134a Suva 134a Forane 134a Klea 134a	Honeywell DuPont Atofina ICI	Pure Fluid HFC	R-12	Polyol Ester	Favored in New Equipment and Retrofits	Performs well 20°F (-7°C) evaporator or higher.

R22 Phase Out Schedule for Air Conditioning and Refrigeration

January 1, 2010: No new R22 can be manufactured for new equipment manufactured or imported into the US or Canada.

January 1, 2020: No new R22 refrigerant can be manufactured or imported into the US or Canada. Any servicing must be done using stockpiled or reclaimed material.

Notes

(a) Check with the compressor manufacturer for their recommended lubricant.

(b) Interim replacements contain HCFCs that may be scheduled for phase out.

(c) Not recommended for automotive air conditioning.

(d) The refrigerant R-600 is butane. The refrigerant R-600a is isobutane.

(e) CFC = Chlorofluorocarbon : HCFC = Hydrochlorofluorocarbon : HFC = Hydrofluorocarbon : HC = Hydrocarbon : FC = Fluorocarbon

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