



R404A – THE END OF AN ERA

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Why R-404A?

- Success of R404A over the last 15 to 20 years
 - Replaced ODP products such as R12 / R502 – & more recently R22
 - Marketed well as a ‘one solution’ replacement
 - Filled a gap – well accepted by manufacturers
 - Cost Effective solution
 - Easy to Apply – A Convenient Replacement!
- Used mainly on Commercial Refrigeration
 - Accounted for around 40% of EU stock (2010) in CO₂ Teq
 - 85% of this was used in Supermarkets where leak rates are highest
 - If nothing changes – grow by a further 6% by 2020
- Why Change?
 - Poor Energy Efficiency (10 to 15% lower)
 - Very High GWP (3922)
 - R404A has a very poor overall environmental impact
 - Regulations - F-Gas 2015 has been designed to reduce the effect our industry has on the Environment



2011

Is it time to stop using R404A?

2012

The end for R404A refrigerant?

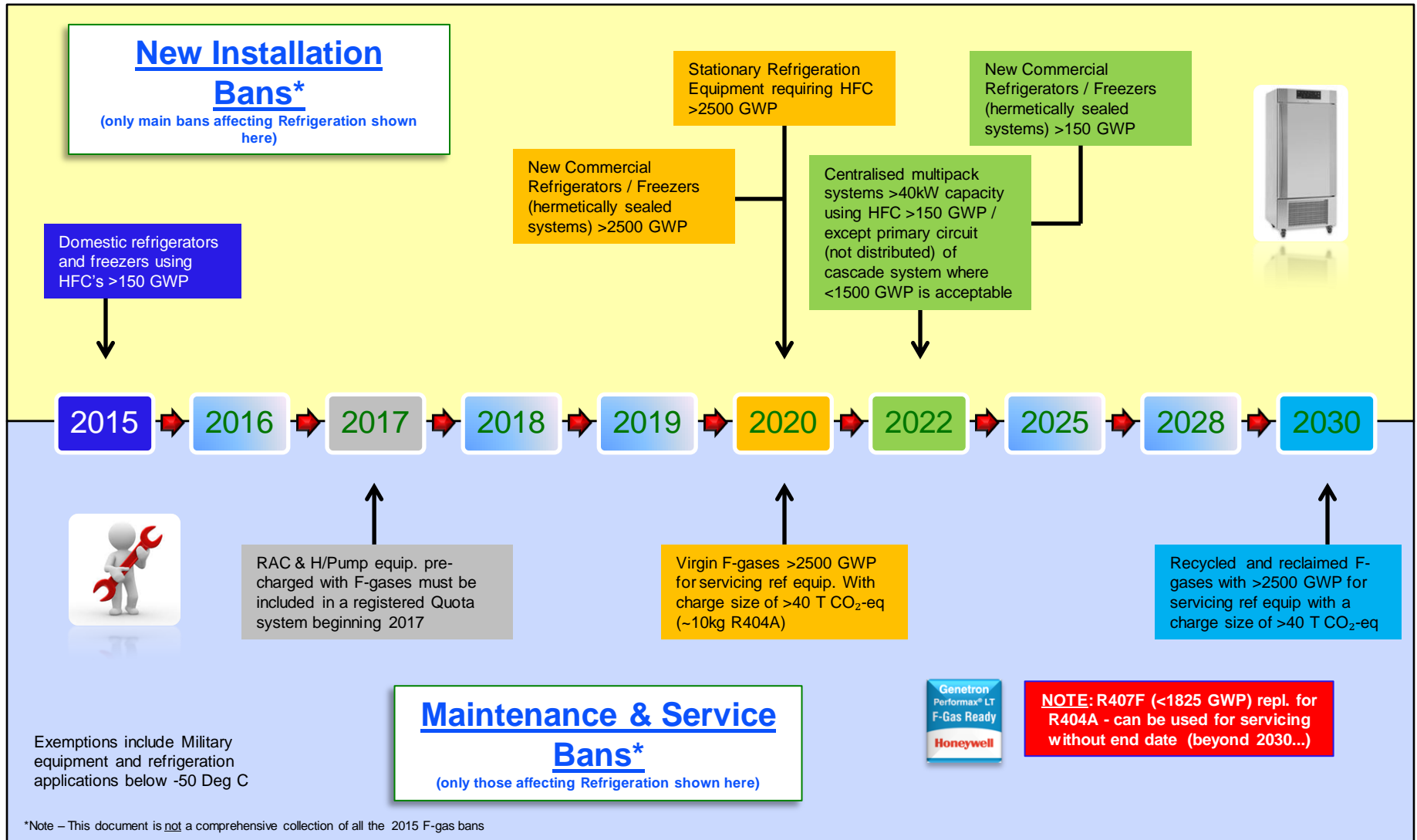
2013

New F-Gas regulations put pressure on high GWP refrigerants

2014

R404A – the alternatives

F-Gas – Control of Use



*Note – This document is not a comprehensive collection of all the 2015 F-gas bans

Phase-Down of HFC's will have the Greatest Impact

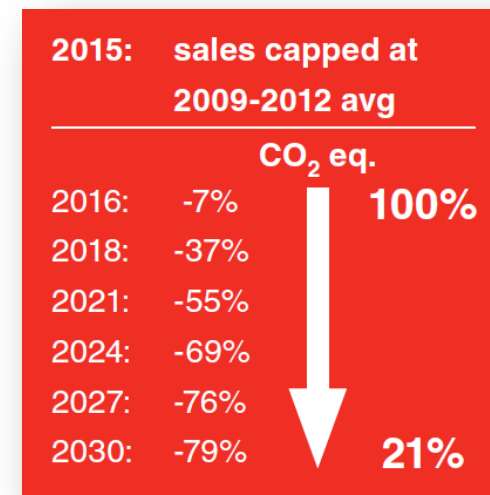
- **Phase Down Mechanism**

- Main driver for industry to change
- CO₂ Teq Quota on supply – change dynamics
- Value /cost will be change from cost per kg (£/kg) to cost per CO₂ Teq (£/ CO₂ Teq)
- A Major ‘step-down’ in 2018 – Significant Impact

- **What is your Strategy for Change?**

It should include...

- Refrigerant leak / charge reduction
- Educate your team and your customers on this change
- Improve your understanding of the low GWP alternatives to R404A
- Understand the minor differences in ‘how they are applied’
- Become more comfortable with the differences → glide / flammability / high pressures / different system technologies etc..
- Refrigerant choice – **STOP using R404A** wherever possible
- Mindset - Change provides Opportunities for your business



F-gas Regulations will Challenge our Industry → Opportunities



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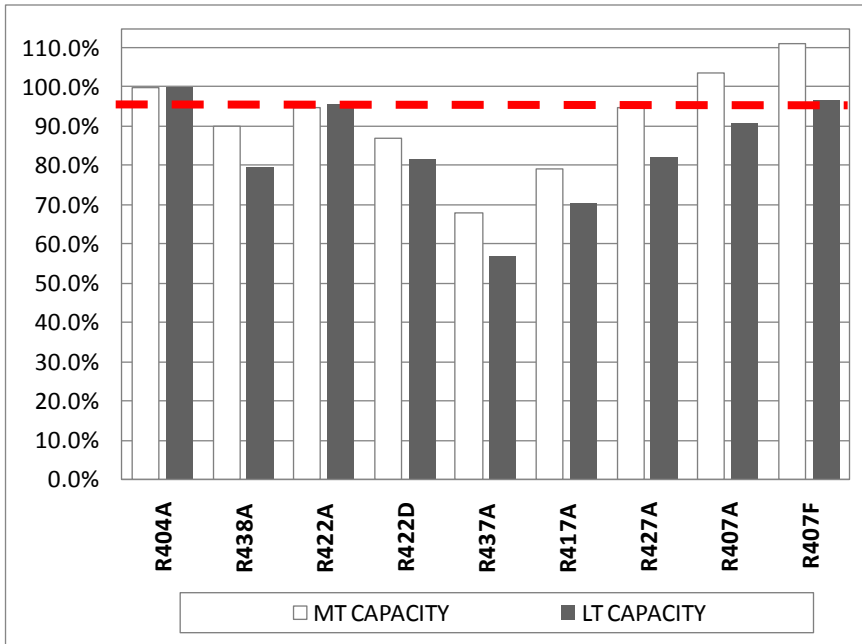
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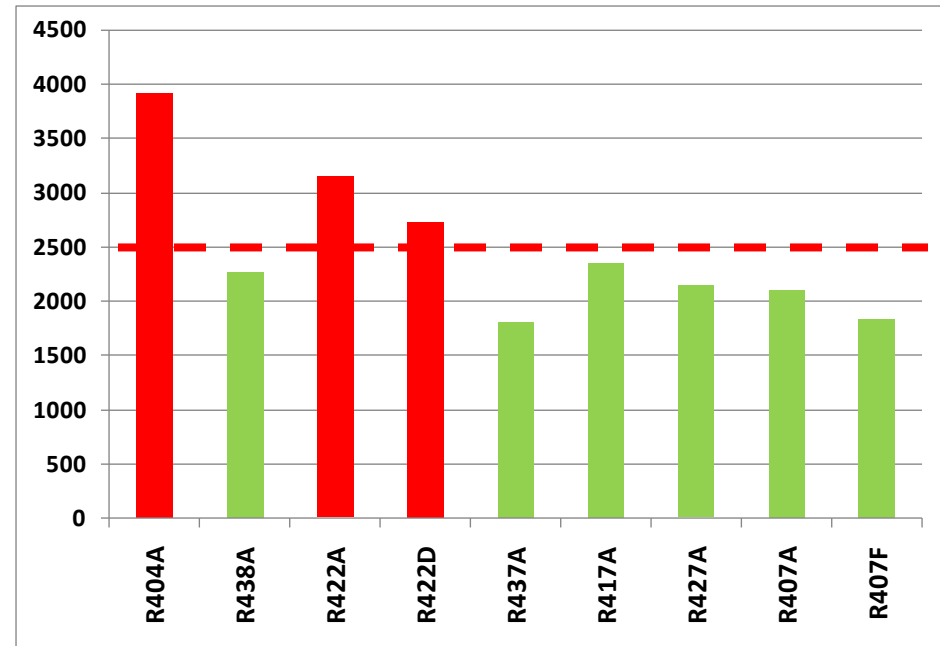
Selecting the Right Refrigerant (Cycle Analysis)

Main commercially available products: 2 selection criteria

Criteria 1: minimum 95% R404 (MT or LT) Capacity



Criteria 2: GWP < 2500



R407F is the best capacity provider with lowest GWP for supermarket applications

R407F (Genetron Performax[®] LT)

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- Developed for use in low and medium-temperature commercial refrigeration applications
- Proven for retro-fit of R-22 and R-404A

- ASHRAE R-407F
- **GWP = 1825**
- **A1** ASHRAE safety rating
- EPA SNAP approved
- Reach registered
- 100% Zero ozone depleting

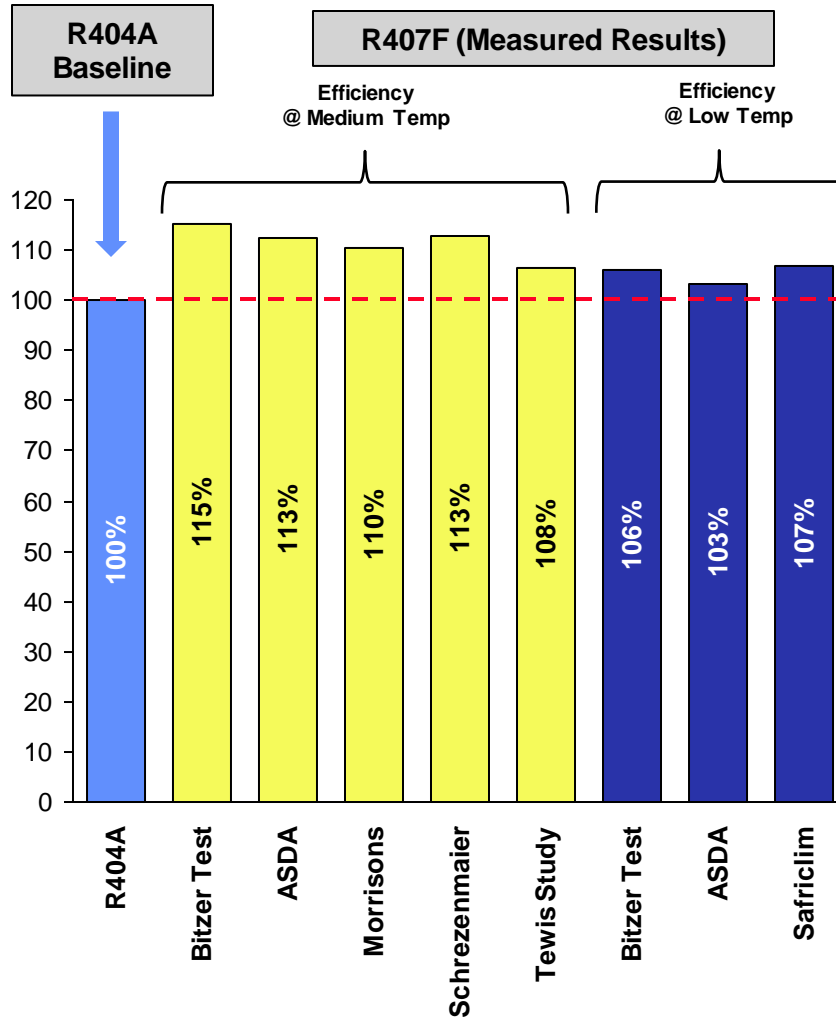


**Blend of
R-32 / R-125 / R-134a
30% / 30% / 40%**

R407F is the Lowest* GWP HFC for Supermarket Applications

* Commercially Available

Independent Measured Performance Comparison



Efficiency comparisons (Independent verification)

- Important improvements in MT applications ~ 10%
 - Climate / system specific / optimisation during retro-fit
- Still large improvements at LT conditions ~ 6%
- Clear overall improvement in Energy Efficiency shown by R407F

Considerable reduction in operational / running costs

Full Stores Comparison: ASDA / WALMART

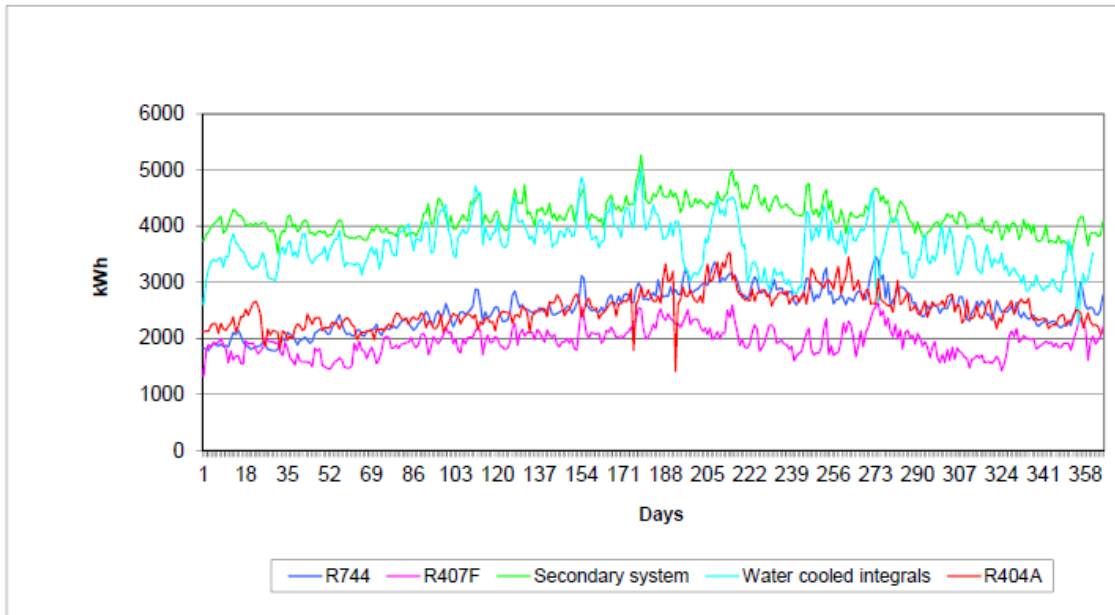


Figure 2 – 2011 Annual energy consumption.

* R404A data from 2005

** Ref – www.ior.org.uk (Evaluation of available Refrigeration Systems in the Retail Sector – by James Bailey & Brian Churchyard, 4th Oct. 2012)

- Lowest Electricity consumption and lowest CO2 emissions for R407F under UK climate.
- Extract from Conclusions *‘this paper identifies that irrespective of a retailer’s refrigeration strategy it is possible to greatly reduce emissions by retrofitting systems operating on R404A / R22 with Performax® LT’*

	R407F system	R404A system	R744 system	Secondary system	Water cooled integrals
Total energy consumption in 2011 (kWh)	710,983	919,413	916,831	1,520,700	1,315,531
Life Time TEWI (Tonnes CO2)	6,055	17,669	6,893	11,433	10,027

Figure 1 – Energy consumption and environmental impact summary.

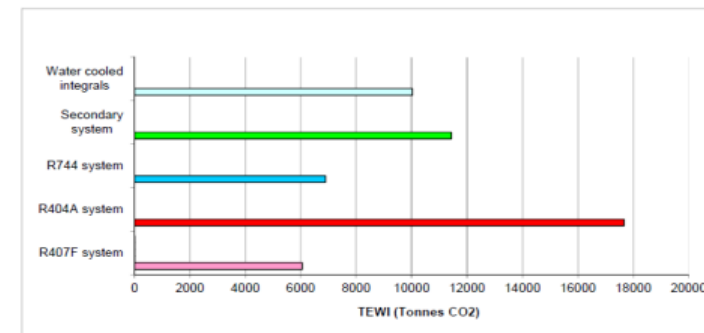


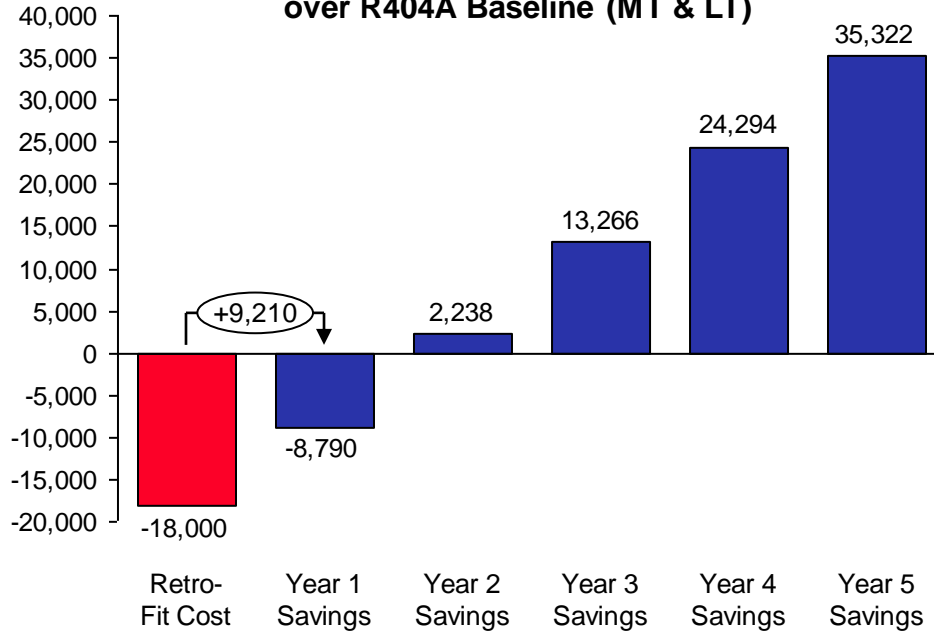
Figure 3 – 2011 Environmental Impact.

R407F: Lowest CO2 Emissions and Best Financial Choice for a Supermarket

Supermarket Store Trials – Savings R407F vs. R404A

Extrapolated from 1 Year trial

R407F Accumulated Savings per Store per Year over R404A Baseline (MT & LT)



- Combination of cost for retro-fit / refrigerant / leaks and energy consumed
- Typical Supermarket Example:
 - Cost of retro-fit pay back inside 2 years
 - Total Estate of 500 stores over 5 years
 - Estimate savings R407F = **€26.6M**
 - Cost to Retro-Fit = **€9M**
 - Estimate net savings = **€17.7M**

• **Direct money saving for new build!**

Annual Comparison	Usage (kg's)	R407F Savings/kg over R404A (€)	R407F Accumulated Savings over R404A
Year 1	996	9.25	9210
Year 2	130	84.90	20238
Year 3	130	84.90	31266
Year 4	130	84.90	42295
Year 5	130	84.90	53323
Total 5 Years	1516	35.19	53323

Leak Rate @ 15%/annum
Cost of Energy @ €0.14/kWh

R407F Provides Very Short Payback or Direct Money Savings

R407F Case Studies



La signature d'un terroir!

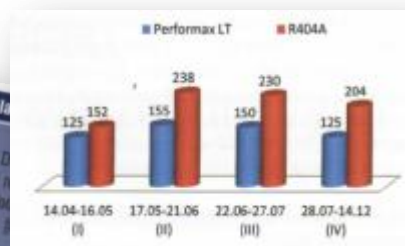
- Case: Saucisson Storage
- Application: Food Process / Storage
- Location: Macon, France
- Trial: Direct R404A v R407F
- Compressor: GEA Bock
- Contractor: Safriclim
- Result: Energy Benefit of 7%



- Case: Biedronka Stores
- Application: Supermarket
- Location: Warsaw, Poland
- Trial: Retro-Fit R404A with R407F
- Compressor: Bitzer
- Contractor: n/a
- Result: Energy Benefit of 15%

Tabela 1. Wyniki pomiarów zużycia energii dla tej samej instalacji

Czynnik chłodniczy	Początek pomiaru	Początkowy stan licznika [kWh]	Koniec pomiaru	Końcowy stan licznika [kWh]	Długość pomiaru [dni]	...
R404A	2012-04-26	0	2012-04-30	903	4	...
R407F	2012-05-10	903	2012-05-14	1629	4	...



In Summary

In any of the systems tested were not any additional adjustment-all parameters set IE. for R404A refrigerant. It is the turn of ny plus the use of R407F as a wildcard R404A-there is no need for laborious adjustment expansion valves (thermostatic). The results of the research allow for the formulation of the conclusion that using new refrigerants GenetronPerformax LT-R407F, you can add space investment in refrigeration installation to improve its energy efficiency, lower total cost of ownership and causes ic to environmental protection through reducing carbon dioxide emissions

Compressor Qualification – June 2014

COMPRESSOR APPROVAL for Performax® LT (R407F)

Compressor Manufacturers Update on R407F Qualification

	BRANDS	Qualified for use on Performax® LT (R407F)	Included in Selection Software
		Qualified & Released	Yes Current Ver. Select 7.7
			
		Qualified & Released	Yes Currently on-line Version
		Qualified & Released	Yes
		Qualified & Released	Yes
		Qualified & Released	Yes
		Medium Temp Qualified. Low Temp excluded	Next Release
		Final Testing - Expect Full approval in Summer 2014	
		Testing - Not qualified for LT Hermetics	Samples Only

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Op. Frequency: 50 Hz

MT conditions

to = -10°C
tc = 45°C
Δtoh = 10 K
Δtuc = 0 K

LT conditions

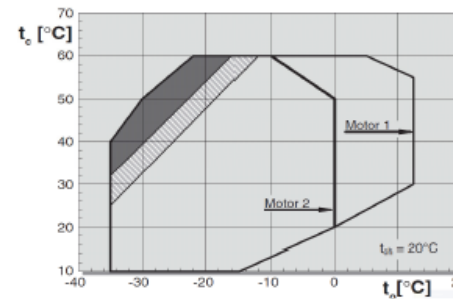
to = -35°C
tc = 40°C
Δtoh = 10 K
Δtuc = 0 K



Refrigerant(i)	R404A	R407A	R407F
Evaporator capacity [kW]	41,053	39,281	42,994
Power input [kW]	20,133	17,404	18,281
COPo [-]	2,039	2,257	2,352
COPo R(i)/COPo_R404A [%]	100,0%	110,7%	115,4%
Tdisch (°C)	73.4	86.8	90.9

Refrigerant(i)	R404A	R407A	R407F
Evaporator capacity [kW]	12,622	9,974	11,218
Power input [kW]	10,311	8,199	8,671
COPo [-]	1,224	1,217	1,294
COPo R(i)/COPo_R404A [%]	100,0%	99,7%	106,0%
Tdisch (°C)	81.5	115.2	122.5

R407F 4VES-7Y .. 6FE-50Y ④



to Evaporating temperature (°C)
t_{oh} Suction gas temperature (°C)
Δtoh Suction gas superheat (K)
tc Condensing temperature (°C)
Additional cooling or max. 0°C suction gas temperature
Additional cooling or limited suction gas temperature according to <20 K suction gas superheat

③ Evaporating and condensing temperatures are based on dew point conditions (saturated vapour)

④ Lower evaporating temperatures are possible with **CIC** operation. Selection upon request.

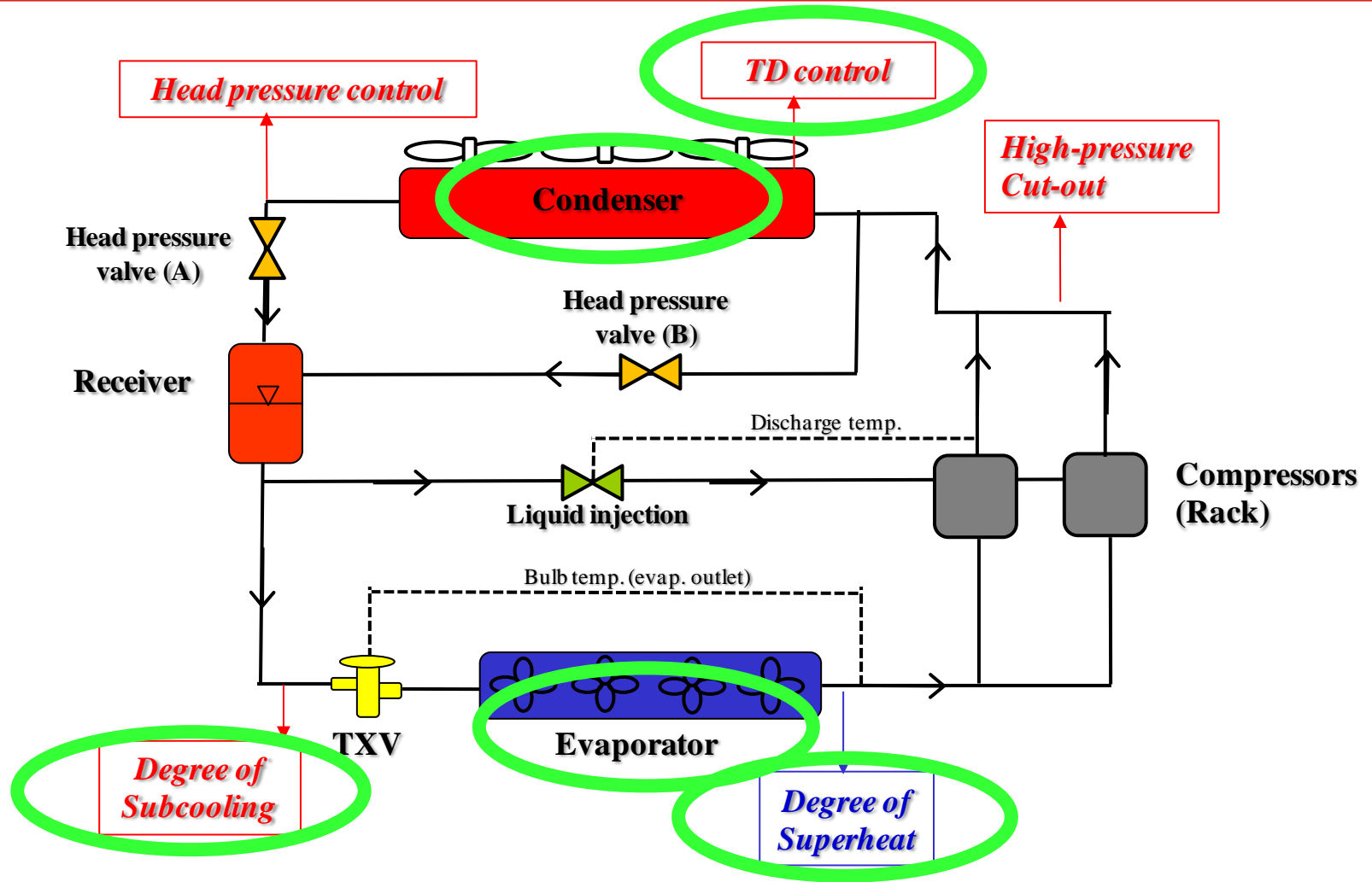
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R407F is Qualified in All Major Compressor Brands and Technologies

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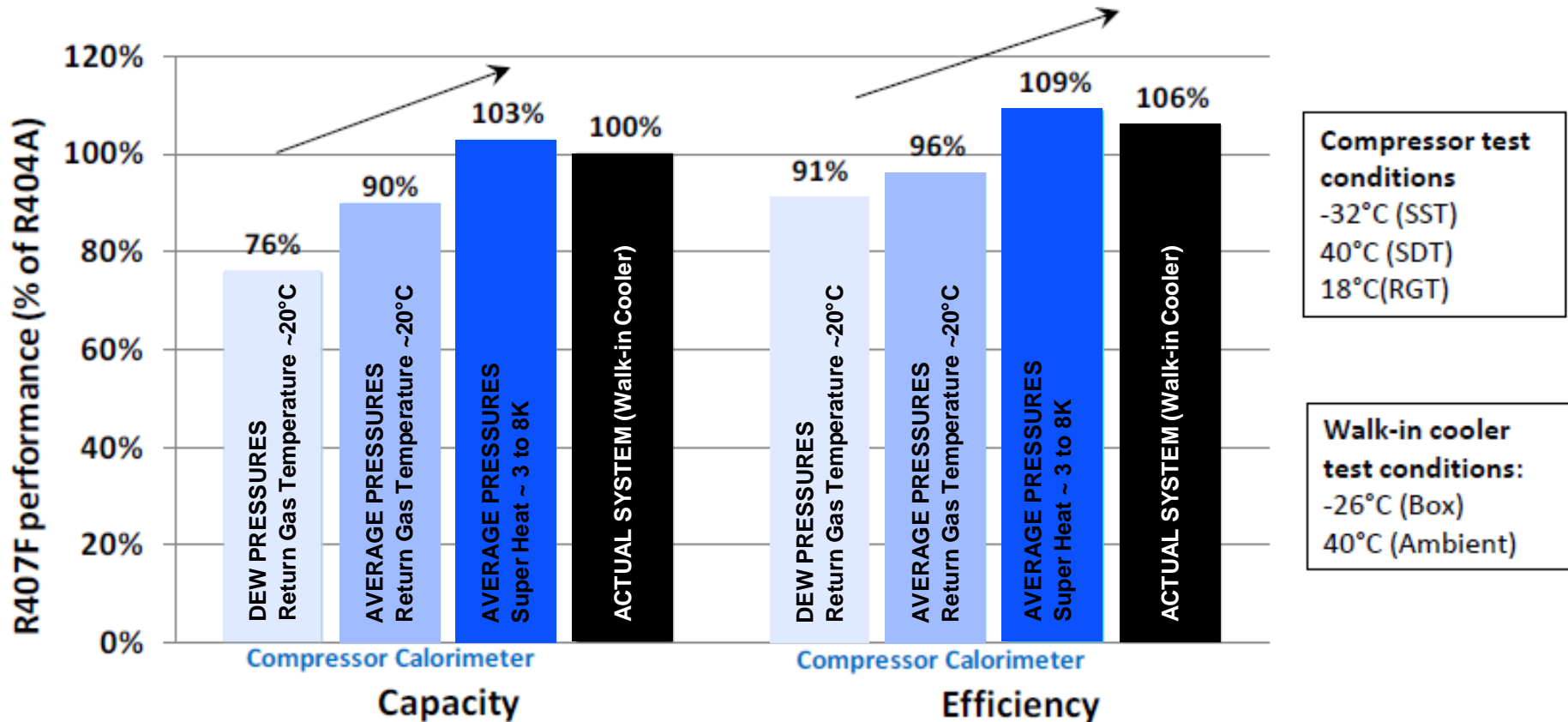
Typical Supermarket System / Glide Influence



Glide management educational presentation can be found [here](#)

Glide Should be Considered for Main System Settings

Compressor Performance: Glide Influence



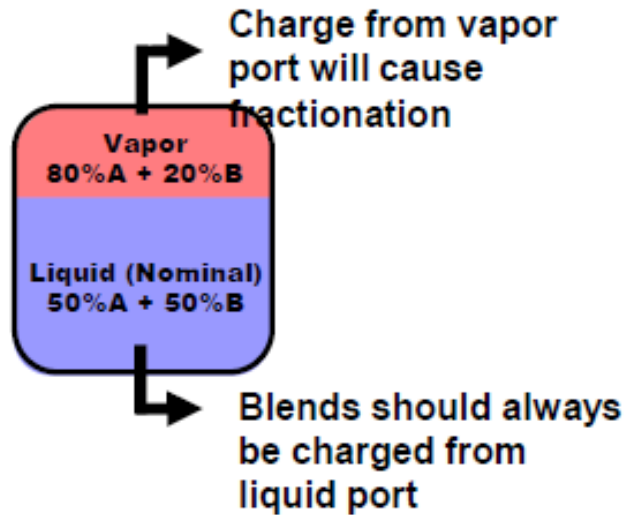
- Selecting Dew pressure is misleading vs. Capacity and COP system results.
- Very high superheat has negative impact on refrigerants cycle.
- Appropriate system settings is a key to Capacity and Electricity consumption.

Average Pressures and Controlled SH are Key Factors

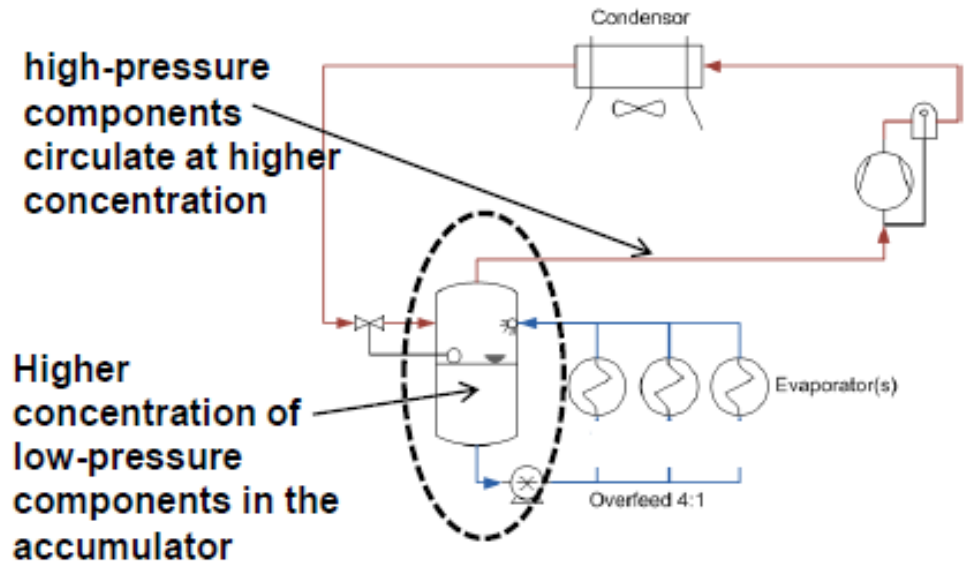
Fractionation: Nominal vs. Circulating Composition

Fractionation is the change in the circulating (system) composition relative to the nominal composition

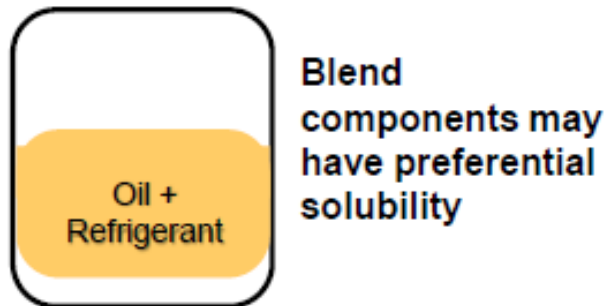
1) Refrigerant Charging:



2) Flooded Evaporators:



3) Lubricant:

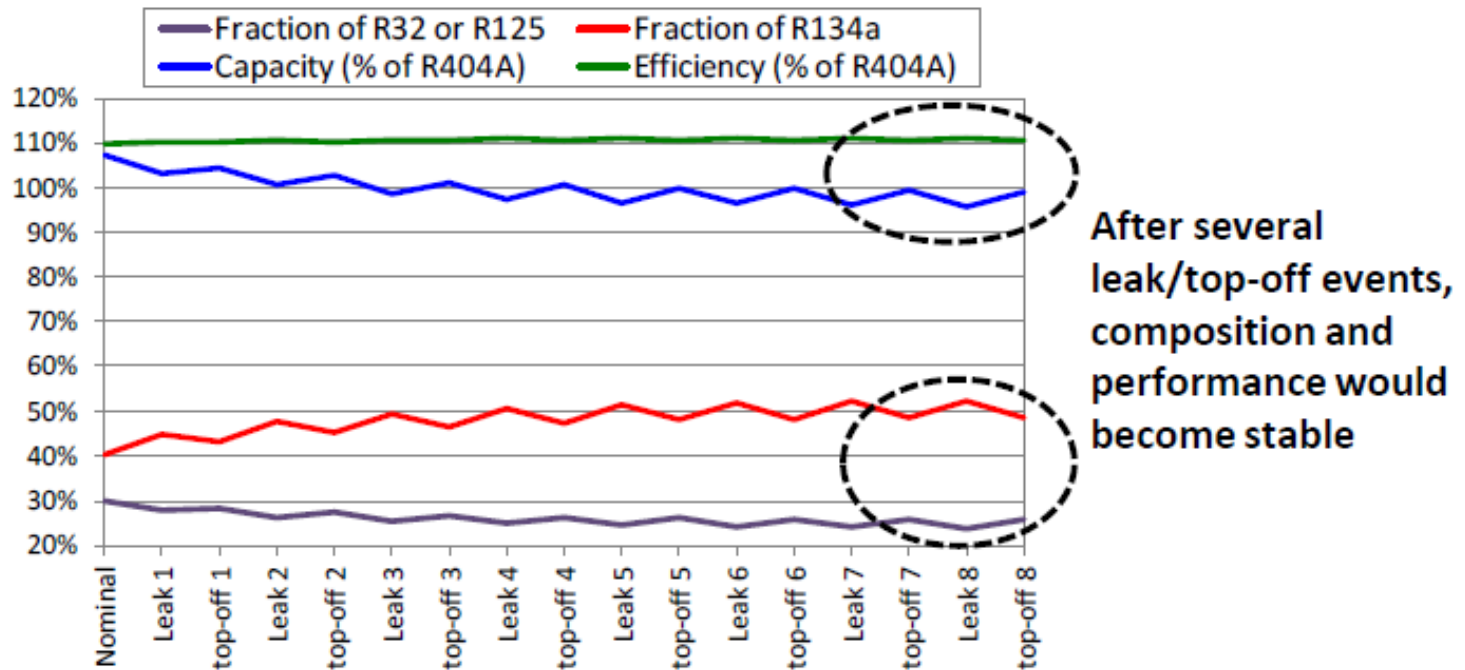


4) During Leak Events



Higher pressure components of the blend may leak first, causing change in composition.

Leakage: Several Worst Case Scenario Leaks (30% each)



- 1) Using experimental data we estimated the impact of 8 consecutive “two-phase” (worst case scenario) leaks of 30% of the total charge each, followed by top-offs.
- 2) After the 8th leak/top-off event:
 - Changes in composition due to leaks would be compensated by the top-offs, so the blend composition would remain stable
 - Capacity would remain nearly unchanged and still a match of R404A
 - Superior efficiency of R407F would be maintained

R407F Maintains High COP and Capacity for Worst Case Leakage

Technical Conclusion

- When compared to R404A – R407F provides
 - **Energy** Improvements (up to 15%)
 - **Carbon** Benefits (on GWP -53.5% and TEWI -66%)
 - **Capacity** Improvements
 - **Life Cycle Cost** Benefits / Engineer 'Friendly'
 - **'Future proof'** complies with F-Gas regulation post 2030 and minimizes HFC taxes where applied
- Simple to retro-fit R404A (glide!)
 - Same Expansion Valves
 - Remove R404A / Evacuate / Change Drier / Liquid Charge with R407F
 - Optimise System / Expansion Valve settings for R407F (Super Heat)
 - Check Operation Save Energy!
- Widely available through a multi-channel distribution network



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Performax® LT
F-Gas Ready
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**Performax LT
can be used
for servicing
without end
date.
R404A will be
banned.**

Genetron Performax® LT (R407F) – The 'First Choice' Solution

Thank you! Questions?

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