
Press Release

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PHPP with Anglo-American measurement system now available

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Darmstadt. A new version of the Passive House planning tool PHPP is now available for sale. It allows complete data input based on the imperial system of units. The IP-PHPP was developed specially for the North American market where this system is used by numerous designers and architects. Entering project data for Passive Houses,

EnerPHit refurbishments or other highly efficient buildings will thus be facilitated greatly. This adaptation of the internationally established Passive House Planning Package was realised by the North American PHPP reseller Albert Rooks.

As in the standard version of the PHPP, the IP-PHPP comes with an import/export interface which enables data transfer from one IP-PHPP to another. In addition, an export macro prepared by the Passive House Institute has also been provided – which allows data to be exported from the IP-PHPP into the metric PHPP. This interface is especially crucial for international project collaborations or for certifications as it ensures that the project data entered in the IP-PHPP can also be processed further by European designers. In this way, North American projects can also be made available for transfer into the Passive House project database (www.passivhausprojekte.de) or for scientific analysis within the framework of international studies.

For the full scope of functions, compatibility with designPH is also supported. This is ensured by the Passive House Institute by the provision of an IP Patch which enables export into the IP-PHPP of the data which has been input into the designPH. With the installation of the IP Patch, designPH will be extended to include all currently available

PHPP climate data sets for the USA and Canada. The patch will be available for download at www.designph.org for all registered licensed users of designPH in the next few weeks. The IP-PHPP Version is based on PHPP 8.5 and is now obtainable in English from the Passive House Institute's website at: www.bit.ly/1u1JTI3

Regular updates for certified Passive House components

The PHPP 8 was developed so that all specific data for certified Passive House components listed in the PHPP can be updated regularly. Up till now, these component lists were updated free of charge. In the future the Passive House Institute will also provide this information in the form of a Component Update file at regular intervals. This file can be transferred by PHPP users into the PHPP 8 by means of the copy/paste function. Starting from this week, like all other PHPP updates, the Component Update file will be sent via email to all registered PHPP 8 users together with brief instructions for copying.

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