



# Vantix<sup>™</sup> Line Side-Discharge Heat Pump







### RD16AY

Cooling Efficiencies up to: 17 SEER2 / 10.5 EER2

Heating Efficiencies up to: 8.5 HSPF2

Nominal Sizes: 2 to 5 Tons [7.0 to 17.6 kW]

Cooling & Heating Capacities: 22.8 to 55.5 kBTU [6.7 to 16.3 kW]

Refrigerant Type: R-454B















<sup>1</sup>Proper sizing and installation of equipment is critical to achieve optimal performance. Split system air conditioners and heat pumps must be matched with appropriate coil components to meet ENERGY STAR®. Ask your Contractor for details or visit www.energystar.gov.

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#### **Features and Benefits**

- Space Saver Solution: The RD16AY—with footprint options as low as 31.8" tall and 19.8" wide—is ideal for when installation locations are constrained; but is also perfect for any system or replacement option where an efficient, streamlined look is desired
- Quiet Operation as low as 50dBA1: Offers sound dampening features such as a sound blanket, refrigerant tubing design, fan blade approach and innovative compressor and drive technologies—ensure that as efficiency goes up, sound levels stay low
- EcoNet® Enabled<sup>2</sup>: Automatic system configuration and optimization
- Diagnostics & Bluetooth®3, 4 Connectivity: With the Russell® By Rheem Contractor & EcoNet® Apps, builtin technology makes advanced set-up, monitoring, troubleshooting, and repairing the product easier than ever before
- Variable Speed Twin Rotary Compressor & Inverter Drive:
  - Features variable speed operation from 45 to 100% capacity with the EcoNet® Smart Thermostat or with legacy and other thermostats when the utility 1 & 2 jumpers are installed or using the Russell® By Rheem algorithm<sup>5</sup>
  - Provides precise temperature control, advanced humidity control and greater efficiency
- Brushless DC Condenser Motors (BLDC): Enhances reliability and allows for easier serviceability
- Swept Wing Fan Technology: Features quieter operation and improved unit acoustics
- 7mm Condenser Copper Coil: Requires less refrigerant allowing for a smaller and lighter footprint while enhancing reliability

- Optional Base Pan Heater: Utilizes a built-in thermostat to regulate the heating operation to prevent ice build-up on the base pan during extreme cold weather conditions
- Traditional Refrigerant Piping: Allows for use of existing refrigerant line sets for further ease of replacement installation flexibility
- 10-Year Conditional Parts Warranty (registration required): Coverage when installed as a heat pump only or as part of a system—with no AHRI matched system requirement
- Refrigerant Detection System: An integrated one-box, patented design featuring the A2L sensor and mitigation board, offering easier commissioning with a single component and simplified wiring configuration, compatibility with the any 24V thermostat application and system protection by automatically pausing outdoor unit operation if excess refrigerant is detected
- Designing for Sustainability with Low GWP: For 2025, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has set a global warming potential (GWP) limit of 700 for refrigerant used in heating and cooling systems. This new requirement will result in a 78% lower GWP than previous-generation refrigerants—with only minimal changes to system installation. For us, this is another step toward our continued sustainability goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions, while still delivering an exceptional level of energy efficient, dependable comfort
- Qualifies for Federal Incentives (conditions apply):
  - Federal Tax Credit compliant system combinations may be available (effective through 12/31/32)—up to \$2000 for qualified heat pumps
  - Visit RussellByRheem.com/Federal-Incentives

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Based on Internal R&D Testing, 2024 Sound levels are also dependent on proper installation and location of outdoor product. <sup>2</sup>When installed as part of a complete AHRI-matched, Russell® By Rheem EcoNet® Enabled system. <sup>3</sup>The Bluetooth® word mark and logos are registered trademarks owned by Bluetooth SIG, Inc. and any use of such marks by Russell® By Rheem is under license. Other trademarks and trade names are those of their respective owners. <sup>4</sup>When installed as part of a complete Russell® By Rheem system where both the outdoor & indoor components feature Bluetooth® Technology. <sup>5</sup>Two-Stage (70% &100% capacity) operation when installed with legacy and other thermostats when the utility 1 & 2 jumpers are not installed. The 2-Ton model features a single rotary compressor. <sup>6</sup>Factory or field installed in the furnace coil or air handler and is applicable to the complete heating and cooling system featuring Low GWP Refrigerant (A2L). <sup>7</sup>When comparing the GWP of R-454B to R-410A refrigerant.

Hea	t Pumps									
<u>R</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>A</u>	ī	<u>v</u>	<u>c</u>	<u>A</u>
Brand	Product Category	SEER2	Region	Refrigerant	Capacity	Major Series	Voltage	Туре	Controls	Minor Series
R - Russell® By Rheem	D - Side-Discharge Heat Pump	16 - 16 SEER2	A - All Regions	Y - R-454B	24 - 24,000 [7.03 kW] 36 - 36,000 [10.55 kW] 48 - 48,000 [14.07 kW] 60 - 60,000 [17.58 kW]	A - 1st Design	J - 208/230/1/60	V - Fully Variable	C - Communicating, EcoNet®, Bluetooth®	A - 1st Series

#### [ ] Designates Metric Conversions

AVAILABLE MODELS	DESCRIPTION
RD16AY24AJVCA	Vantix™ Line 2 Ton R-454B Inverter Driven Variable Speed Side-Discharge Heat Pump
RD16AY36AJVCA	Vantix™ Line 3 Ton R-454B Inverter Driven Variable Speed Side-Discharge Heat Pump
RD16AY48AJVCA	Vantix™ Line 4 Ton R-454B Inverter Driven Variable Speed Side-Discharge Heat Pump
RD16AY60AJVCA	Vantix™ Line 5 Ton R-454B Inverter Driven Variable Speed Side-Discharge Heat Pump

NOTE: RD16AY models are communicating when installed as part of a complete AHRI-matched, Russell® By Rheem EcoNet® Enabled System

STANDARD EQUIPMENT
R-454B Refrigerant
Rotary Compressor
Field Installed Filter Drier
Low Ambient Control
Compressor Sound Cover
Low Pressure Control
Front Seating Service Valves
Internal Pressure Relief Valve
Built-In Low Ambient with EcoNet®
Easy Access to Internal Components
Optimized Venturi Airflow
Powder Coated Paint
Rust Resistant Screws
QR Code
External Gauge Ports
Base Pan Heating Element <sup>1</sup>

 $<sup>^{1}\</sup>mbox{Heating}$  element commissioning requires purchase and field installment of base pan heater kit (item 45-110492-01).

MODEL NO.	RD16AY24AJVCA	RD16AY36AJVCA	RD16AY48AJVCA	RD16AY60AJVCA
Nominal Tonnage	2.0T	3.0T	4.0T	5.0T
Valve Connections		1		
Liquid Line O.D. – in.	3/8	3/8	3/8	3/8
Suction Line O.D. – in.	3/4	3/4	7/8	7/8
Refrigerant (R-454B) furnished oz.1	62	88	113	169
Compressor Type				
Outdoor Coil				
Net face area – Outer Coil (Sq. Ft.)	9	9	11	15.1
Net face area – Inner Coil (Sq. Ft.)	9	9	11	15.1
Tube diameter – in.	0.276	0.276	0.276	0.276
Number of rows	1	2	2	2
Fins per inch	18	18	18	18
Outdoor Fan				
Diameter – in.	20	20	26	28
Number of blades	3	3	3	3
Motor hp	1/9	1/9	1/2	1/2
Nos	1	1	1	1
CFM	2350	2252	3718	3709
RPM	800	800	650	550
Watts	105	112	210	223
Shipping weight – lbs.	179	196	238	295
Operating weight – lbs.	128	146	212	254

Electrical Data				
Line Voltage Data (Volts-Phase-Hz)	208/230-1-60	208/230-1-60	208/230-1-60	208/230-1-60
Maximum overcurrent protection (amps) <sup>2</sup>	25.0	35.0	45.0	55.0
Minimum circuit ampacity <sup>3</sup>	15.0	19.0	26.0	31.0
Compressor				
Rated load amps	7.1	8.4	5.1	6.1
Locked rotor amps	18	52	58	61
Condenser Fan Motor				
Full load amps	1.6	1.6	3.0	3.0
Locked rotor amps	2.2	2.2	6.4	6.4

Refrigerant charge sufficient for 25 ft. length of refrigerant lines. For longer line set requirements see the installation instructions for information about set length and additional refrigerant charge required.

2HACR type circuit breaker of fuse.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Refer to National Electrical Code manual to determine wire, fuse and disconnect size requirements.

### **Accessories**

MODEL NO.		RD16AY24AJVCA	RD16AY36AJVCA	RD16AY48AJVCA	RD16AY60AJVCA
Compressor crankcase heater		44-103663-15	44-103663-15	44-103663-15	44-103663-15
Base pan heater connector kit <sup>1</sup>		45-110492-01	45-110492-01	45-110492-01	45-110492-01
Low ambient control		Included Standard	Included Standard	Included Standard	Included Standard
Compressor sound cover	Compressor sound cover		Included Standard	Included Standard	Included Standard
Compressor hard start kit	Compressor hard start kit		N/A	N/A	N/A
Low pressure control		Included Standard	Included Standard	Included Standard	Included Standard
High pressure control		Included Standard	Included Standard	Included Standard	Included Standard
Liquid Line Solenoid	Solenoid Valve	200RD2T3TVLC	200RD2T3TVLC	200RD2T3TVLC	200RD2T3TVLC
(24 VAC, 50/60 Hz)	Solenoid Coil	61-AMG24V	61-AMG24V	61-AMG24V	61-AMG24V
Liquid Line Solenoid	Solenoid Valve	200RD2T3TVLC	200RD2T3TVLC	200RD2T3TVLC	200RD2T3TVLC
(120/240 VAC, 50/60 Hz)	Solenoid Coil	61-AMG120/240V	61-AMG120/240V	61-AMG120/240V	61-AMG120/240V

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Required for heating element commissioning.

## **Weighted Sound Power Level (dBA)**

UNIT SIZE -	SOUND PRESSURE	SOUND POWER	TYPICAL OCTAVE BAND SPECTRUM (dBA WITHOUT TONE ADJUSTMENT)						
VOLTAGE, SERIES	AS LOW AS	AS LOW AS	125	250	500	1000	2000	4000	8000
RD16AY24AJVCA	53	59	41.3	45.0	49.1	48.0	42.1	39.3	36.2
RD16AY36AJVCA	50	58	44.7	60.8	62.3	57.2	53.9	54.5	44.8
RD16AY48AJVCA	54	61	54.0	58.6	63.8	64.9	60.4	54.8	44.9
RD16AY60AJVCA	55	62	47.3	51.0	54.1	52.8	43.7	35.4	40.7

NOTE: Tested in accordance with AHRI Standard 270-08 (not listed in AHRI)

## **Unit Dimensions**

	OPERATING							SHIPPING					
MODEL NO.	H (H	eight)	L (Le	ngth)	W (Width)		H (Height)		L (Length)		W (Width)		
	INCHES	cm	INCHES	cm	INCHES	cm	INCHES	cm	INCHES	cm	INCHES	cm	
RD16AY24AJVCA	31.8	80.4	40.4	102.6	19.8	50.3	38.00	96.4	48.43	123.0	22.05	56.0	
RD16AY36AJVCA	31.8	80.4	40.4	102.6	19.8	50.3	38.00	96.4	48.43	123.0	22.05	56.0	
RD16AY48AJVCA	36.6	93.0	40.4	102.6	19.8	50.3	43.31	110.0	48.43	123.0	22.05	56.0	
RD16AY60AJVCA	46.4	117.8	42.3	107.4	22.8	57.8	53.94	137.0	50.00	127.0	25.00	63.5	

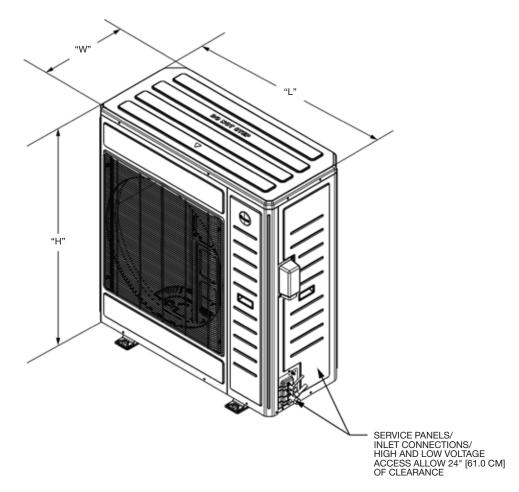


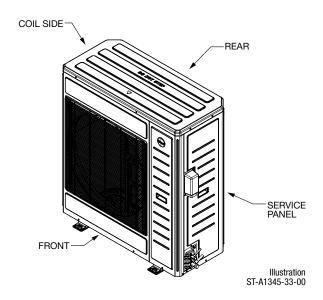
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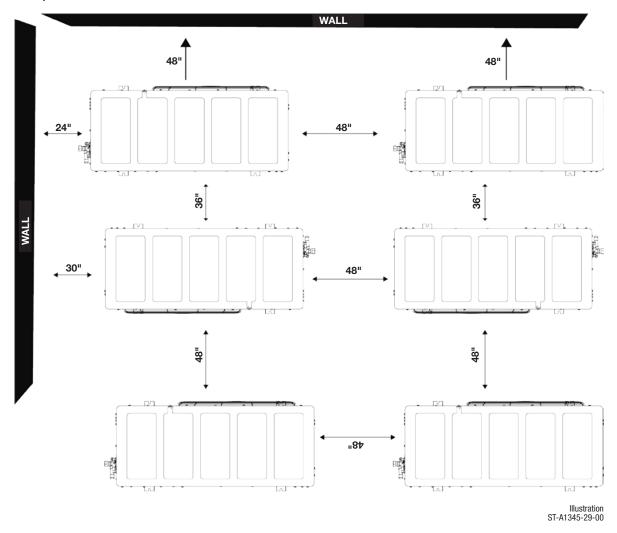
### **Allowable Clearances**

#### **Single Unit Installations**

RD16AY24, RD16AY36, RD16AY48, RD16AY60								
	0	BSTRUCTION	MIN. CLE	ARANCE (IN.)				
	REAR   COIL SIDE   FRONT   SERVICE PANEL							
	4	12	48	10				
Open Chase Above	12	4	48	10				
Open Space Above	12	12	24	10				
	4	12	24	10				
Obstruction Above, Less Than 40"	12	12	48	10				
	20	4	24	10				



#### **Multiple Unit Installations**



**IMPORTANT:** Consult local and national building codes and ordinances for special installation requirements. Following location information will provide longer life and simplified servicing of the outdoor heat pump.

**NOTICE:** These units must be installed outdoors. No ductwork can be attached, or other modications made, to the discharge grille. Modifications will affect performance or operation.

## **Refrigerant Line Size Information**

			16 SEER2 VA	RIABLE SPEED HE	AT PUMPS						
	ALLOWABLE	ALLOWABLE	OUTDOOR UNIT ABOVE OR BELOW INDOOR UNIT EQUIVALENT LENGTH (FEET)								
UNIT SIZE	LIQUID LINE SIZE	VAPOR Line Size	< 25	26-50	51-75	76-100	101-125	126-150			
	LINE GIZE	LINE SIZE		MAXIMUM	VERTICAL SEPARA	ATION/CAPACITY N	ULTIPLIER				
	1/4"	5/8"	25/1.00	50/0.99	33/0.98	60/0.97	NR	NR			
	5/16"	5/8"	25/1.00	50/0.99	50/0.98	50/0.97	50/0.96	50/0.95			
2.0 TON * <b>SEE</b>	3/8"	5/8"	25/1.00	50/0.99	50/0.98	50/0.97	50/0.96	50/0.95			
NOTE 3	1/4"	3/4"*	25/1.00	50/1.00	33/0.99	60/0.99	NR	NR			
	5/16"	3/4"*	25/1.00	50/1.00	50/0.99	50/0.99	50/0.99	50/0.98			
	3/8"	3/4"*	25/1.00	50/1.00	50/0.99	50/0.99	50/0.99	50/0.98			
	5/16"	5/8"	25/0.99	50/0.97	50/0.95	50/0.93	36/0.91	NR			
	3/8"	5/8"	25/0.99	50/0.97	50/0.95	50/0.93	50/0.91	NR			
3 TON	5/16"	3/4"	25/1.00	50/0.99	50/0.99	50/0.98	36/0.97	20/0.96			
	3/8"	3/4"	25/1.00	50/0.99	50/0.99	50/0.98	50/0.97	50/0.96			
	1/2"	3/4"	25/1.00	50/0.99	50/0.99	50/0.98	50/0.97	50/0.96			
	3/8"	3/4"	25/0.99	50/0.98	50/0.96	50/0.95	50/0.93	50/0.92			
4 TON	1/2"	3/4"	25/0.99	50/0.98	50/0.96	50/0.95	50/0.93	50/0.92			
4 TON	3/8"	7/8"	25/1.00	50/0.99	50/0.99	50/0.98	50/0.98	50/0.97			
	1/2"	7/8"	25/1.00	50/0.99	50/0.99	50/0.98	50/0.98	50/0.97			
	3/8"	3/4"	25/0.98	50/0.97	50/0.95	50/0.93	46/0.91	NR			
	1/2"	3/4"	25/0.98	50/0.97	50/0.95	50/0.93	50/0.91	NR			
5 7011	3/8"	7/8"	25/0.99	50/0.99	50/0.98	50/0.97	50/0.96	38/0.95			
5 TON	1/2"	7/8"	25/0.99	50/0.99	50/0.98	50/0.97	50/0.96	50/0.95			
	3/8"	1-1/8"**	25/1.00	50/1.00	50/1.00	50/0.99	50/0.99	38/0.99			
	1/2"	1-1/8"**	25/1.00	50/1.00	50/1.00	50/0.99	50/0.99	50/0.99			

#### NOTES:

- Do not exceed 150 ft. linear line length.
- Do not exceed 50 ft. vertical separation between indoor and outdoor units.
- \*3/4" vapor line should only be used for 2 ton systems if outdoor unit is below or at same level as indoor unit to assure proper oil return.

  \*\*1-1/8" vapor line should only be used for 5 ton systems if outdoor unit is below or at same level as indoor unit to assure proper oil return.
- 5) Always use the smallest liquid line allowable to minimize refrigerant charge.
- Applications shaded in light gray indicate capacity multipliers between 0.90 and 0.96 which are not recommended, but are allowed.
- Applications shaded in dark gray are not recommended due to excessive liquid or suction pressure drop.

## **Refrigerant Line Size Information (Con't.)**

			16 SEER2 VA	RIABLE SPEED HE	AT PUMPS			
	ALLOWABLE	ALLOWABLE		OUTDO	OOR UNIT ABOVE ( Equivalent le		R UNIT	
UNIT SIZE	LIQUID Line Size	VAPOR Line Size	< 8	9-15	16-23	24-30	31-38	39-46
	LINE OIZE	LINE OIZE		MAXIMUM	VERTICAL SEPARA	ATION/CAPACITY N	IULTIPLIER	
	6.35 [1/4]	15.88 [5/8]	8/1.00	15/0.99	10/0.98	20/0.97	NR	NR
7.0 kW	7.94 [5/16]	15.88 [5/8]	8/1.00	15/0.99	15/0.98	15/0.97	15/0.96	15/0.95
[2.0 TON]	9.53 [3/8]	15.88 [5/8]	8/1.00	15/0.99	15/0.98	15/0.97	15/0.96	15/0.95
*SEE	6.35 [1/4]	19.05 [3/4]	8/1.00	15/0.99	10/0.99	20/0.99	NR	NR
NOTE 3	7.94 [5/16]	19.05 [3/4]	8/1.00	15/0.99	15/0.99	15/0.99	15/0.99	15/0.98
	9.53 [3/8]	19.05 [3/4]	8/1.00	15/0.99	15/0.99	15/0.99	15/0.99	15/0.98
	7.94 [5/16]	15.88 [5/8]	8/0.99	15/0.97	15/0.95	15/0.93	11/0.91	NR
	9.53 [3/8]	15.88 [5/8]	8/0.99	15/0.97	15/0.95	15/0.93	15/0.91	NR
10.6 kW [3 TON]	7.94 [5/16]	19.05 [3/4]	8/1.00	15/0.99	15/0.99	15/0.98	11/0.97	6/0.96
[0 1011]	9.53 [3/8]	19.05 [3/4]	8/1.00	15/0.99	15/0.99	15/0.98	15/0.97	15/0.96
	12.70 [1/2]	19.05 [3/4]	8/1.00	15/0.99	15/0.99	15/0.98	15/0.97	15/0.96
	9.53 [3/8]	19.05 [3/4]	8/0.99	15/0.98	15/0.96	15/0.95	15/0.93	15/0.92
14.1 kW	12.70 [1/2]	19.05 [3/4]	8/0.99	15/0.98	15/0.96	15/0.95	15/0.93	15/0.92
[4 TON]	9.53 [3/8]	22.23 [7/8]	8/1.00	15/0.99	15/0.99	15/0.98	15/0.98	15/0.97
	12.70 [1/2]	22.23 [7/8]	8/1.00	15/0.99	15/0.99	15/0.98	15/0.98	15/0.97
	9.53 [3/8]	19.05 [3/4]	8/0.98	15/0.97	15/0.95	15/0.93	14/0.91	NR
	12.70 [1/2]	19.05 [3/4]	8/0.98	15/0.97	15/0.95	15/0.93	15/0.91	NR
17.6 kW	9.53 [3/8]	22.23 [7/8]	8/0.99	15/0.99	15/0.98	15/0.97	15/0.96	12/0.95
[5 TON]	12.70 [1/2]	22.23 [7/8]	8/0.99	15/0.99	15/0.98	15/0.97	15/0.96	15/0.95
	9.53 [3/8]	28.58 [1-1/8]**	8/1.00	15/0.99	15/0.98	15/0.99	15/0.99	12/0.99
	12.70 [1/2]	28.58 [1-1/8]**	8/1.00	15/0.99	15/0.98	15/0.99	15/0.99	15/0.99

#### NOTES:

- Do not exceed 46 meters linear line length.
- Do not exceed 15 meters vertical separation between indoor and outdoor units.
- \*19.05 mm [3/4 in.] vapor line should only be used for 2 ton systems if outdoor unit is below or at same level as indoor unit to assure proper oil return.

  \*\*28.58 mm [1-1/8 in.] vapor line should only be used for 5 ton systems if outdoor unit is below or at same level as indoor unit to assure proper oil return.

  Always use the smallest liquid line allowable to minimize refrigerant charge.

  Applications shaded in light gray indicate capacity multipliers between 0.90 and 0.96 which are not recommended, but are allowed.

  Applications shaded in dark gray are not recommended due to excessive liquid or suction pressure drop.
- 1) 2) 3) 4) 5) 6) 7)

## Performance Data @ AHRI Standard Conditions - Cooling

DESIGNATED TESTED COMBINATION (DTC)												
OUTDOOR UNIT	INDOOR UNIT	TOTAL Capacity BTU/H [KW]	NET SENSIBLE BTU/H [KW]	NET LATENT BTU/H [KW]	SEER2	EER2	INDOOR CFM [L/S]	47 DEGREE HEATING Capacity BTU/H [KW] (At H1 Nom)	47 DEGREE COP	17 DEGREE Heating Capacity BTU/H [KW]	17 DEGREE COP	REGION IV HSPF2
RD16AY24AJVCA	RH2VY2417STACN	22,800 [6.7]	17,500 [5.1]	5,300 [1.6]	17.0	10.5	775 [365.8]	22,800 [6.7]	3.5	15,800 [4.6]	2.6	8.5
RD16AY36AJVCA	RH2VY3617STACN	33,000 [9.7]	25,300 [7.4]	7,700 [2.3]	16.0	10.5	1075 [507.3]	33,000 [9.7]	3.3	23,200 [6.8]	2.6	8.5
RD16AY48AJVCA	RH2VY4821STACN	44,000 [12.9]	33,700 [9.9]	10,300 [3.0]	16.0	10.0	1425 [672.5]	43,500 [12.7]	3.1	30,400 [8.9]	2.4	8.1
RD16AY60AJVCA	RH2VY6024STACN	56,000 [16.4]	42,900 [12.6]	13,100 [3.8]	17.0	10.5	1650 [778.7]	55,500 [16.3]	3.3	36,800 [10.8]	2.6	8.5

**NOTE:** This data includes DTC (Designated Test Combination) ratings and is for reference purposes only. A full listing of official ratings and system match-ups, along with downloadable certificates, can be accessed from the AHRI website: www.ahridirectory.org.

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#### **GENERAL TERMS OF LIMITED WARRANTY\***

Russell® By Rheem will furnish a replacement for any part of this product which fails in normal use and service within the applicable period stated, in accordance with the terms of the limited warranty.

\*For complete details of the Limited and Conditional Warranties, including applicable terms and conditions, contact your local contractor or the Manufacturer for a copy of the product warranty certificate.

Conditional Parts (Registration Required).....Ten (10) Years

Applies to a heat pump only or system installation. Does not require the heat pump to be part of a properly matched system as specified by the Manufacturer and the Air Conditioning Heating & Refrigeration Institute (AHRI).

Before proceeding with installation, refer to installation instructions packaged with each model, as well as complying with all Federal, State, Provincial, and Local codes, regulations, and practices.

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