

Q-Air – detailed physical properties

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Centre of glass heat transmission (Ug)

Calculation standard:

• EN673:2011

Boundary conditions:

Ti (internal)	20°C
T _e (external)	0°C
hi	7.7 W/m ² K
he	25 W/m ² K

Model data synopsis:

												Inside	
	Glass	Gap	Glass	Gap	Glass	Gap	Glass	Gap	Glass	Gap	Glass	Gap	Glass
Q-AIR3L							6 mm	18 mm	3 mm	18 mm	3 mm	18 mm	3 mm
Q-AIR3E							8 mm	18 mm	3 mm	18 mm	3 mm	18 mm	55.2
Q-AIR3							8 mm	24 mm	3 mm	24 mm	3 mm	48 mm	55.2
Q-AIR4K					8 mm	14 mm	3 mm	14 mm	3 mm	14 mm	3 mm	14 mm	55.2
Q-AIR4G					10 mm	18 mm	4 mm	18 mm	4 mm	18 mm	4 mm	18 mm	55.2
Q-AIR5			8 mm	18 mm	3 mm	18 mm	3 mm	18 mm	3 mm	18 mm	4 mm	16 mm	55.2
Q-AIR5S			8 mm	18 mm	3 mm	18 mm	3 mm	18 mm	3 mm	20 mm	4 mm	20 mm	6 mm
Q-AIR5G			10 mm	18 mm	4 mm	18 mm	4 mm	18 mm	4 mm	18 mm	5 mm	18 mm	55.2
Q-AIR6	8 mm	18 mm	2.1 mm	18 mm	2.1 mm	18 mm	2.1 mm	18 mm	4 mm	18 mm	6 mm	16 mm	55.2
Q-AIR6K	8 mm	16 mm	3 mm	16 mm	3 mm	16 mm	3 mm	16 mm	4 mm	20 mm	6 mm	16 mm	55.2

Krypton 9	5%	*	
Argon 909	% *		
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* Low-E coated glass on at least one side.

Centre of glass thermal transmittance (Ug):

Q-AIR3L	0.36 W/m ² K
Q-AIR3E	0.49 W/m ² K
Q-AIR3	0.49 W/m ² K
Q-AIR4G	0.35 W/m ² K
Q-AIR4 <mark>K</mark>	0.28 W/m ² K
Q-AIR5	0.27 W/m ² K
Q-AIR5S	0.24 W/m ² K
Q-AIR5G	0.27 W/m ² K
Q-AIR6	0.22 W/m ² K
Q-AIR6 <mark>K</mark>	0.16 W/m ² K

Temperature dependency of the centre of glass U_{g} value

Heat transfer through the glazed unit consists of heat radiation exchange among the glass panes and gas-gap related heat transfer combining conduction and convection. Q-Air reduces heat transfer using low thermal conductivity gas, which in most applications is argon and through the application of Low-E coatings, which mitigate heat radiation. Sealed glass units' centre of glass U value (Ug) change with exterior conditions.

A simulated (EN 673) glass deflection's dependent Ug for the Q-Air 5 and triple pane unit:



Below is FEM analysis (Q-Air 5) layout of the glass panes at most extreme points from diagram above:



$U_g\mbox{-}values$ were calculated with Berkeley Lab Window 7.4. according to EN673:2011

Toutdoor	Solar irradiation	U _g (W/m²K)	U _g (W/m ² K)
(°C)	(W)	(Temperature depended)	(Temperature & deflection depended)
- 40	0	0.311	0.319
-20	0	0.271	0.280
0	0	0.254	0.256
20	383	0.261	0.252
30	683	0.264	0.249
40	783	0.268	0.252
50	783	0.271	0.261

Modelled panel size: 750 x 1500 mm;

Boundary conditions for center of glass thermal transmittance calculation: Internal temperature $T_i = 22$ °C; external temperature $T_e =$ from -40°C to 50°C; internal heat transfer coefficient $h_i = 7.0$ W/m²K; external heat transfer coefficient $h_e = 15.0$ W/mK; External glass: Arcon Sunbelt A70;

Q-Air 5 characteristic: g-value = 0.30; T_{vis} = 0.46; T_{sol} = 0.20; R_{fvis} = 0.20; R_{fsol} = 0.43;

Seasonal dependency of the solar gain (g)

Since real solar gain is angle of incidence dependent, it makes sense to check how this property influences the overall seasonal g value as one could naturally expect that due to the different effective solar incidence angles between summer and winter there would be difference in effective g values as incidence angle of the solar radiation changes through the year.



The change in solar gain (g) originates in direct solar light being sent through many layers of glass where mutual Fresnel reflections diminish transmitted light at high angles of incidence.

On the left image, DGU stands for doublepane glass, TGU for triple-pane glass, and QGU for quad pane glass. Q-Air 4G has five panes and Q-Air 5 has six panes.

On a monthly basis we use hourly solar irradiation weighted effective $\langle g_j \rangle$ value, which represents clear sky effective g value for that month.

Image below shows calculated <gi> value

for south, triple and six pane glazing units equipped with exterior selective solar control pane with visible light transmittance 0.68, and solar energy transmittance of 0.32.



Calculations were made for three characteristic geographical latitudes: Ljubljana (46°15`), Berlin (52°31'), and Oslo (60°11`). The greater the number of panes the greater the difference. It is convenient that a multipane glass unit provides for some seasonal selectivity of the $\langle g_j \rangle$ value where it decreases in summer. For Berlin, in summer $\langle g_j \rangle$ value of TGU decreases for 15%, while for Q-Air 5, decreases 23%.

Linear heat transmittance value (ψ - values)

Calculation standard:

• SIST EN ISO 10211:2008

Linear thermal transmittance (ψ):

Q-AIR3L	0.027 W/mK	Estimated value. Interpolated between triple-pane value with the same spacer type (0.038 W/mK $-$ 18 mm spacers) and Q-AIR5
Q-AIR3E	0.027 W/mK	Estimated value. The same configuration as Q-AIR3L
Q-AIR3	0.015 W/mK	Report on the initial type calculation of the linear thermal transmittance of the horizontal and vertical joints of the system and of the panel QATT3 according to the standard SIST EN ISO 10211:2008 (No. P 0073/15-520-5)
Q-AIR4G	0.020 W/mK	Estimated value. Interpolated from Q-Air 5 (standard 18 mm spacers)
Q-AIR4 <mark>K</mark>	0.025 W/mK	Estimated value. Interpolated from Q-Air 5 (narrow 14 mm spacers)
Q-AIR5	0.016 W/mK	Report on the initial type calculation of the linear thermal transmittance of the horizontal and vertical joints of the system and of the panel QATT5 according to the standard SIST EN ISO 10211:2008 (No. P 0073/15-520-6)
Q-AIR5S	0.016 W/mK	The same configuration as Q-AIR5
Q-AIR5G	0.016 W/mK	Estimated value. The same configuration as Q-AIR5, only thicker intermediate glass panes

Light transmission (LT), solar heat gain (g) datasheets

Selected basic glass combinations are disclosed below.

Q-Air 3, Q-Air 3E

Twin silver selective coated outer glass super selective coated outer glass

ID	g	LT
7127	0.12	0.20
11672	0.20	0.32
11682	0.23	0.40
11692	0.29	0.49
11707	0.32	0.55

ID	g	LT
64211	0.20	0.40
64213	0.25	0.47

Triple silver

Q-Air 4G

Twin silver selective coated outer glass super selective coated outer glass

ID	g	LT
7127	0.11	0.18
11672	0.18	0.29
11682	0.21	0.37
11692	0.26	0.45
11707	0.29	0.50

ID	g	LT
64211	0.19	0.36
64213	0.23	0.43

Triple silver

Q-Air 5, Q-Air 5G, Q-Air 5S

Twin silver selective coated outer glass super selective coated outer glass

ID	g	LT
7127	0.11	0.17
11672	0.17	0.27
11682	0.20	0.34
11692	0.25	0.41
11707	0.28	0.46

ID	g	LT
64211	0.17	0.33
64213	0.22	0.39

Triple silver

Sound insulation

By default, thick Q-Airs, Q-Air 3, Q-Air 4G, Q-Air 5, Q-Air 5S, Q-Air 5G and Q-Air 6 offer sound insulation, Rw, of 43 dB, where with improvements 55 dB is achievable. Thinner Q-Airs, Q-Air 3L, Q-Air 3E and Q-Air 4K offer sound insulation performance, Rw, 35 dB or better.

A-Air 3 test result example:

