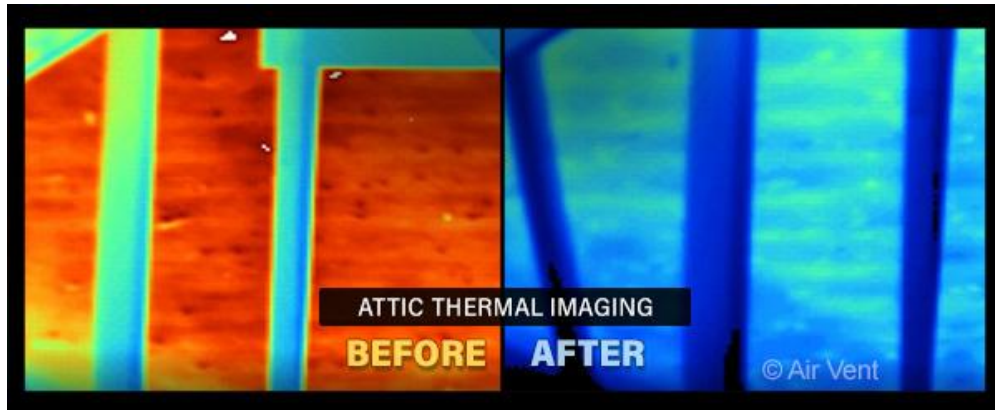


# How Hot is Too Hot in the Attic?



If the balanced attic ventilation system (50% intake vents + 50% exhaust vents) is working correctly, how hot should the attic be in the summer?

If it's 80°F outside at 5 p.m., what's a reasonable temperature inside the attic? What if it's 100°F outside?

The attic temperature should be within **10-15°F** of the outside temperature peak of day. At a maximum, **no more than 20°F**.

If the attic is hotter than that, here are some things to check:

- Is the amount of attic ventilation correct for the attic's size — intake and exhaust?
- Is the optimum type/category of attic exhaust being used for the roof's shape/design?
- Any mistakes in play causing inefficient airflow in the attic?

You can learn what those mistakes are and more about reasonable attic temperatures in the summer with the following resources:

- [“Tips for Venting Hot Attics”](#) Pop Quiz (Win FREE SWAG, too!)
- [“Vent Those Hot Attics Carefully”](#) Magazine article
- [“How Hot Should the Attic be in the Summer”](#) Podcast episode

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