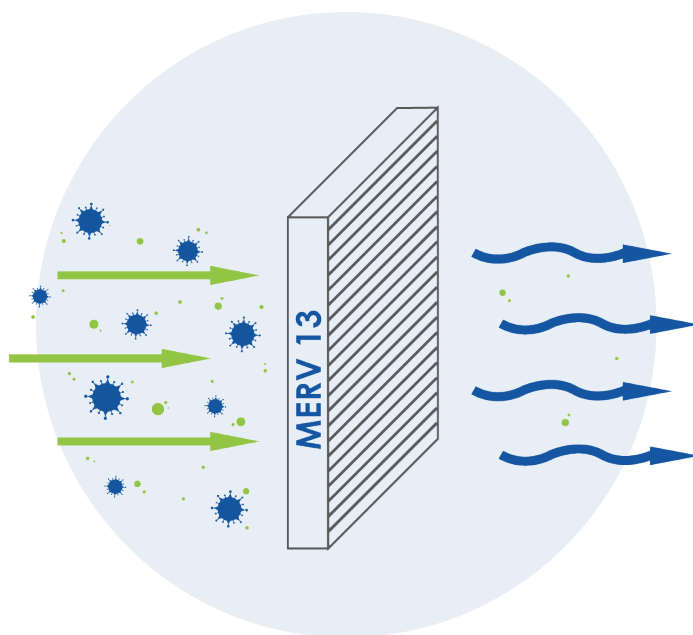




# Upgrading Filters?

## How Filter Efficiency Impacts Air Quality

By the time you finish reading this page, you'll have more air filtration knowledge than the average person walking down the street. Considering proper air filtration significantly impacts your health, and the health of the people around you, picking the right filter is important. While upgrading your existing air filters can't stop everything from circulating in the air you breathe, choosing the correct Minimum Efficiency Reporting Value (MERV) filter, can improve indoor air quality (IAQ) to help mitigate sickness caused by mold, pollen, bacteria, and smoke.



**Listed below are MERV filters with their application guidelines to ensure you pick the correct filter for your facility:**

MERV Rating	Controlled Contaminants	General Application
<b>MERV 13-16</b>	Bacteria, Smoke, Droplet Nuclei (sneeze), Cooking Oil	Hospital Inpatient Care, General Surgery, Smoking Lounges
<b>MERV 9-12</b>	Lead Dust, Auto Emission, Nebulizer Drops	Better Commercial Building, Hospital Laboratories
<b>MERV 5-8</b>	Mold, Spores, Cement Dust	Commercial Buildings, Industrial Workplaces
<b>MERV 1-4</b>	Pollen, Sanding Dust, Carpet Fibers	Minimum Filtration, Residential