

Heart Failure 2017 Guideline Comparison of ACCF/AHA Stages of Heart Failure (HF) and New York Heart Association (NYHA) Functional Classifications

ACCF/AHA Stage		NYHA Functional Classification	
Stage A	At high risk for HF but without structural heart disease or symptoms of HF	None	
Stage B	Structural heart disease but without signs or symptoms of HF	Class I	No limitation of physical activity. Ordinary physical activity does not cause symptoms of HF.
Stage C	Structural heart disease with prior or current symptoms of HF	Class I	No limitation of physical activity. Ordinary physical activity does not cause symptoms of HF.
		Class II	Slight limitation of physical activity. Comfortable at rest, but ordinary physical activity results in symptoms of HF.
		Class III	Marked limitation of physical activity. Comfortable at rest, but less than ordinary activity causes symptoms of HF.
		Class IV	Unable to carry on any physical activity without symptoms of HF, or symptoms of HF at rest.
Stage D	Refractory HF requiring specialized interventions	Class IV	Unable to carry on any physical activity without symptoms of HF, or symptoms of HF at rest.