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Ch. 17 Special Inspection

1705.1.1 Special cases. Special inspections and tests shall be required for proposed work that is, in the opinion of the building official, unusual in its nature, such as, but not limited to, the following examples:

1. Construction materials and systems that are alternatives to materials and systems prescribed by this code.

2. Unusual design applications of materials described in this code.

3. Materials and systems required to be installed in accordance with additional manufacturer's instructions that prescribe requirements not contained in this code or in standards referenced by this code.

[IBC 2021, 1705.1.1]

Means Wraps, even though not referenced.....

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The Early Years

- Where a grease duct penetrated a ceiling, wall, floor or any concealed space, the legacy codes and NFPA 96 required the duct be enclosed in a fire-rated enclosure
 - Traditionally that meant a gypsum board shaft enclosure. Issues with shaft enclosures included:
 - Constructability
 - •Temperature within enclosure resulted in gypsum board exceeding it's maximum working temperate
 - •Clearance requirements resulted in large enclosures

- When field applied grease duct wrap systems were introduced:
 - •No code requirements existed
 - No test standard existed
- Industry requested each of the Legacy Code Evaluation Services develop an Acceptance Criteria for duct wrap systems

- Each Evaluation Service developed their own criteria based on what they judged to be the hazard. The three criteria were conceptually similar, but different.
- Criteria addressed the following hazards:
 - Flammability of wrap
 - Durability of wrap
 - •Internal Grease Duct Fire Test (i.e. grease fire inside duct)
 - Engulfment Fire Test (i.e. external fire exposure)
 - Fire-Resistance Test

- Criteria Developed:
 - •**SBCCI-ES** Evaluation Guide on Fire Resistance Construction (Flexible Duct Wrap Enclosure Systems)
 - •BOCA-ES Outline of Code Requirements & Evaluation Criteria – Flexible Grease Duct Enclosures
 - •ICBO-ES AC101 Acceptance Criteria for Grease Duct Enclosure Assemblies
- Three criteria differed, resulting in different requirements based on adopted code

- Differences led Industry, UL, OPL and ASTM to recognize need for a nationally recognized standard
- Two standards ultimately published
 - •ASTM E2336 Standard Test Method for Fire Resistive Grease Duct Enclosure Systems
 - •UL 2221 Standard for Tests of Fire Resistive Grease Duct Enclosure Assemblies

- ASTM E2336 Published in 2004
 - Covers duct wrap systems
 - Based on the ICBO-ES Acceptance Criteria
 - Requires two layers of 1-1/2 in. wrap







- UL 2221 Published in 2001
 - Covers:
 - Duct wrap systems
 - •Listed factory-built grease duct assemblies with integral fire protection enclosure



Where Do We Find the **Current Code Requirements?**

- ICC Codes
 - International Mechanical Code
 - International Fire Code
- NFPA Codes
 - NFPA 96 Standard for Ventilation Control and Fire Protection of **Commercial Cooking Operations**
 - •NFPA 1 Fire Code



Types of Grease Ducts

- Field constructed grease ducts
- Factory produced grease ducts listed to UL 1978

Grease Duct Requirements for Both Types

- Corrosion Protection
- Construction
- Support
- Air Velocity within duct
- Separate duct for each Type I hood
- Clearances
- Grease accumulation
- Cleanouts
- Enclosures

Duct Enclosure Requirements (IMC)

IMC 506.3.11 Grease duct enclosures.

- Duct serving Type I hood which penetrates a ceiling, wall, floor or any concealed space shall be enclosed with fire-rated enclosure
- Each enclosure shall serve only single grease exhaust duct system

Duct Enclosure Requirements Cont. (IMC)

- No enclosure required where grease duct penetrates only a non-fire-resistance-rated roof/ceiling assembly
- Duct enclosure shall have a fire-resistance rating of not less than the assembly penetrated, and not less than 1 hr

Types of Duct Enclosures (IMC)

- Fire-rated shaft enclosure
 - Shaft to comply with IBC 713
 - •18 in. clearance to combustible construction
 - •6 in. clearance to noncombustible construction and gypsum board on noncombustible structures
- Field-applied grease duct enclosure Duct Wrap (ASTM E2336)
- Listed factory-built grease duct assemblies with integral fire protection (UL 2221)

Duct Enclosure Requirements (NFPA 96 – 7.7.1)

- Duct which penetrates a vertical fire barrier shall be enclosed with fire-rated enclosure
- In buildings of more than one story and in one story buildings where the roof-ceiling is required to be fireresistance-rated, duct shall be enclosed with fire-rated enclosure
 - •Buildings less than 4 stories 1 hr
 - •Buildings 4 stories or more 2 hr

Duct Enclosure Requirements Cont. (NFPA 96 – 7.7.1)

- Duct shall be sealed at entrance into enclosure
- No enclosure required where grease duct penetrates only a non-fire-resistance-rated roof/ceiling assembly

Types of Duct Enclosures (NFPA 96 – 4.3 & 7.7.2.2)

- Fire-rated shaft enclosure
 - •18 in. clearance to combustible construction
 - •6 in. clearance to noncombustible or limited combustible construction
- Field-applied grease duct enclosure (ASTM E2336)
- Listed factory-built grease duct assemblies with integral fire protection (UL 2221)

Field-applied Grease Duct Enclosure (Duct Wrap)

- Consists of wrapping field constructed grease duct
- Listed and labeled to ASTM E2336
- Through-penetration firestop system utilized at locations where duct penetrates fire-rated construction



Listed Factory-built Grease Duct Assemblies

- Consists of complete unit complying with grease duct and fire-rated enclosure requirements
- Listed and labeled to both UL 1978 and UL 2221
- Through-penetration firestop system utilized at locations where duct penetrates fire-rated construction



Where Can I Find The Most Current Listing?

- Directories of the Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratories
 - Intertek Directory of Building Products
 - UL/ULC Product iQ Online Directory

Products become assemblies based on testing!!! Products installed in assemblies based on mfr's Installation Instructions

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Factory-built Grease Duct Assembly Cont.

- 1. Concrete Floor or Wall
- 2. Listed Factory Built Grease Duct (UL 1978 and UL 2221)
- 3. Closure Band
- 4. Hanger System
- 5. Listed Firestop System



Through-penetration Firestop System at Floor Penetration

1. Concrete Floor or Wall

2. Listed Factory Built Grease Duct (UL 1978 and UL 2221)

- 3. Packing Material
- 4. Listed Caulk/Sealant
- 5. Cover Plate
- 6. Closure Band



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Field Applied Grease Duct Listings



Flexible Field Applied Wrap Products

- High temperature insulation (2300°F)
- AES wool (LBP) blankets
- Scrim encapsulated
- Non-combustible (ASTM E136)
- Low surface burning <25/50 (ASTM E84/UL 723)





Flexible Field Applied Wrap Systems



Field constructed grease duct + flexible wrap = Fire Resistive Duct SYSTEM

Code Highlights

506.3.11.2 Field-applied grease duct enclosure

- Each duct requires it's own enclosure (506.3.11)
- •Listed & labeled per ASTM E2336
- Equal F&T per ASTM E814/UL1479
- Wrapped from point of origin to outlet terminal
- Partial application not permitted for reduction of clearance
- •No change for the 2024 edition of the IMC



Through-penetration Firestop - Floor



Referenced in E2336 System

F Rating – 2 Hr

T Rating – 2 Hr



Through-penetration Firestop - Wall



Referenced in E2336 System

F Rating – 2 Hr T Rating – 2 Hr



Installation Materials

Typical Installation Materials

- Insulation knife
- Filament tape optional
- Aluminum foil tape
- $\cdot \frac{1}{2}$ " wide steel banding and clips
- Banding tools
- •CD pin welder
- Insulation weld pins & washers (speed clips)
- Cuphead pins





Installation Guidelines - General

Roll out material and pull tautly before measuring or making any material cuts



Tape cut edges of wrap with aluminum foil tape



Installation Guidelines - General

- Overlap or butt per listing/manufacturer's installation guidelines
- Two layers offset/stagger between 1st and 2nd layer



Installation Guidelines - General

Filament Tape

- Optional installation aid to temporarily hold the duct wrap in place until a permanent attachment is installed
- Does not need to be removed



Installation Guidelines - Mechanical Fastening

Steel banding and/or weld pins – driven by duct size







Cuphead pins

Banding

Pre-welded pins & speed clips

Access Doors/Cleanouts

Required per ASTM E2336 as part of assembly



Through-penetration Firestop

Field conditions - flexibility





Symmetrical Firestops for Horizontal Grease Ducts without Insulation Through Noncombustible Wall Assemblies



Symmetrical Firestops for Horizontal Grease Ducts with Insulation Through Noncombustible Wall Assemblies

Figure 7 – Penetration Firestops for Floor Supporting Construction

Listing Details

- Tested duct size and construction
- Wrap material
 - Properties thickness, density, etc.
 - # of layers
 - Overlaps/butt joints, layer offset requirements
- Mechanical attachment
- Support hangers and spacing
- Access doors
- Through-penetration firestop



Non-Standard Field Conditions



Supports wrapped within

Duct close to rated assemblies

Worth Mention...

- One layer ≠ One hour rating
- NO peel and stick insulation pins
- NO aluminum banding
- Patch/repair procedure
- Overlaps/butt joints won't hold themselves closed in a fire
- Flexible wrap products are not fire resistance rated, systems/assemblies are
- When in doubt, it's life safety, <u>Please Ask</u>

Questions??





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