Installation Instructions

Combined Category I and IV venting for Gas-Burning Appliances

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A MAJOR CAUSE OF VENT RELATED FIRES IS FAILURE TO MAINTAIN REQUIRED CLEARANCES (AIR SPACES) TO COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS. IT IS OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE THAT DURAVENT PRODUCTS BE INSTALLED ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THESE INSTRUCTIONS.

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**WARNING**

CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING HAZARD. Failure to follow the steps outlined below for each appliance connected to the venting system being placed into operation could result in carbon monoxide poisoning or death.

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- Examine all components for possible shipping damage prior to installation;
- Read all instructions before beginning the installation and follow these instructions exactly as written.
- Proper joint assembly is essential for a safe installation. Check the integrity of ALL joints upon completion of assembly.
- This venting system must be free to expand and contract under normal operation.
- Assure unrestricted vent movement where required through walls, ceilings and roof penetrations.
- This venting system must be supported in accordance with these instructions.
- Do not mix pipe, fittings, or joining methods from different vent system manufacturers. Do not use adhesives of any kind with this venting system. Acceptance of the installed system is dependant on full compliance with these installation instructions.

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**WARNING**

Risk of carbon monoxide poisoning or fire due to joint separation or pipe breakage.

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Keep these instructions for future reference.

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LISTING
DuraVent’s FNS 80/90 Combination Cat I and Cat IV gas vent system is designed and UL listed for use with approved Duravent special gas vent components only! Listed to applicable portions of ULC S636/UL1738, UL1777, and UL441.

GENERAL INSTALLATION NOTES
Read these instructions before beginning. You must follow these installation instructions when installing the FNS 80/90 system. This is a supplemental instruction to other DuraVent listed instructions that are used during this installation.

APPLICATION
The FNS 80/90 system is a tested and listed exhaust vent for the replacement of one Category I gas fired appliance with a high efficiency appliance in an existing Type B common vent system. In a typical common vent Type B setup (Fig.1), two Category I (Cat I) appliances vent into one common vent that conveys flue products outside the building. In many appliance retrofits, one Cat I appliance is removed, and replaced with a higher efficiency (typically a Cat IV) condensing appliance. The new Cat IV appliance is NOT permitted to be vented with B Vent, but requires a vent system engineered for a different exhaust requirement.

Condensing appliances have much lower exhaust temperatures, which create significant amounts of acidic condensate. Using the FNS 80/90 solution, a special stainless steel Cat IV liner is installed within the existing Cat I vent. This flex handles the Cat IV flue products, while the remaining Cat I appliance uses the annular space around the liner to exhaust flue products to the outside via natural draft (Fig.2). A patent pending termination is engineered to provide separate exhaust exit paths for each appliance’s exhaust system (Fig.2). The combination of these systems helps both operate more effectively.

PRIOR TO INSTALLATION: RE-LINING COMMON VENTED B VENT SYSTEMS
When relining common vented B-Vent (or other approved factory built vent), special

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Table 1: Clearance to Combustibles

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Figure 1
care must be taken. Prior to reline work being started:

Ensure the new proposed vent system is appropriate for the two appliances in question. For the Category IV appliance, reference the OEM Appliance manual for information on min/max vent run and vent diameter requirements. OEM guidance should include maximum number of elbows and related pressure-drops. The total vent length from the appliance to the termination should not be greater than the maximum Equivalent Vent Length (EVL) specified by the

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appliance manufacturer. If specific guidance is not offered by the appliance manufacturer regarding EVL for vent components, the general guidelines in Table 2 may be used for PolyPro, FNS, FNS W2 and Security Chimney Secure Seal product.

For sizing of the remaining Cat I appliance into the B Vent, reference Table 3. This Table shows B Vent diameter, inner Cat IV liner diameter, and the resulting annular space in terms of an "Equivalent" diameter. This data takes into account flow restriction on the Cat I flue introduced from the inner flex and has been experimentally confirmed. Ensure this "equivalent" diameter is appropriate for your remaining Cat I appliance via use of Type B Gas Vent sizing tables / NFPA54 (Chapter 13). Treat the connector from the Cat I appliance and the common vent as a single appliance vent with the height, length, offsets, etc and verify that the tables confirm adequate capacity of this annular space before proceeding.

After confirming the combination vent system is appropriate for your installation, inspect the physical condition of existing B Vent. The B vent must be inspected for evidence of damage, internal flue blockage, appropriateness of components including firestops, supports, etc. The inspection must also ensure the original installation meets current codes for termination location, height, etc. Clean and repair as needed to bring the vent system into compliance.

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**INSTALLATION OF LINER WITHIN B VENT**

Reference Fig.3 for the components required. Inspect the area where the Cat I exhausts come together- typically a "Tee" or "Wye". It is critical that when the Cat IV liner is installed, it maintain a slope of at least 45° downward towards the appliance (Fig.4) throughout the vent run- This is to ensure proper flow of condensate back to the appliance / drain. If the inlet end of the existing (common) B vent is a tee, either the flex for the Cat IV appliance vent must route through the bottom end of the tee (Fig.4a) or the tee should be replaced with a "wye" (Fig.4b), so the flex can route through the inclined snout of the wye (to maintain proper slope). Do not install per Fig.4c!

If the lower tee or wye needs to be replaced,
determine the existing brand of B Vent. If the B Vent is DuraVent, the appropriate Tee or Wye can be purchased and connected as is. If the B Vent is not DuraVent, purchase a "Female Adapter" which allows connection to non-DuraVent B Vent, and the DuraVent tee or wye desired.

1. Remove the Cat I appliance being replaced, the associated B Vent pipe, and existing termination cap.
2. Measure vent run, cut flex to length, ensure 1 ft of excess flex. Remove burrs from flex for ease of install.

TOP (CAP) side of install:
3. Route flex through B Vent, leave 8” excess at top. Ensure flex does not go beyond 45 degree anywhere along the vent run for proper condensate handling. Ensure flex is installed so the arrow goes in direction of exhaust flow
4. Connect flex to termination cap:

4a. If installing 2” flex: Flip the termination cap upside down and apply a generous amount of high temperature non-hardening silicone around the outer flange edge of the FNS Flex Collar (Fig. 5a). Once applied, flip the termination cap back upright and carefully lower cap onto flex so that the silicone flange is seated inside the 2” flex. Tighten hose clamp to secure the flex to the termination cap.

4b. If installing 3”-5” flex: Run the flex through the termination cap until flex is ¾” from exit at the top of the cap. Tighten the hose clamp to secure the flex into position. Apply a generous bead of high temperature non-hardening silicone (Fig. 5b) to seal flex to the inner diameter of the termination cap.

5. Lower cap to B-Vent and affix with hardware / mount straps to the vent pipe. Strap can be trimmed if desired.
6. Compress / Install Bird Screen Ring into Flex collar groove. (Fig. 5a/b)

LOWER (Appliance) side of install (Fig. 6)

**Figure 5a- 2” Flex**

**Figure 5b- 3”-5” Flex**

**Figure 6- Appliance Side Connection**
1. Flex should stick outside B Vent minimum 3", maximum 5" (trim if needed).
2. Apply generous amount of silicone to flex and PolyPro / Flex adapter (or other approved DuraVent or Security Chimneys product). Insert flex into adapter and tighten hose clamp.
3. Install firestop onto adapter, fasten to B-Vent using supplied hardware.
4. Continue vent run to the appliance per the appropriate instruction.

MAINTENANCE
Have your venting system checked annually. This can be done by the same technician who inspects & services the appliance.
Recommended areas to inspect are as follows:
- Check areas of the Venting System which are exposed to the elements for wear or damage. If damage is found, the components should be replaced immediately.
- Where possible, look into the Termination Cap to verify no foreign material is there to block the vent. Remove any foreign material found.
- Where practical, inspect joints to verify that no Pipe Sections or Fittings have been disturbed, and consequently loosened. Also check mechanical supports such as Wall Straps, support plates, etc for rigidity.

Should the termination need to be removed, loosen flex hose clamp and unfasten from B-Vent. If internal access is needed, the four screws holding the termination top to the termination base may be removed and the termination top will lift off (Fig.7).
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