



## A solid-fuel appliance or fireplace cannot share a chimney passageway that is already venting another appliance — fuel-fired or otherwise. "It looks unused" is not a dedicated flue.

Original Masterbuild PE packet from Daily Code Talk on 2024 IMC 801.11. Confirm the adopted edition. Distinct from existing chimney reuse (801.18) and abandoned openings (801.8). This is not a flue design.

☐ **Wood stoves, fireplaces, pellet appliances, coal-burning appliances, and similar solid-fuel equipment need their own com**

Do not tie into a flue already serving a water heater, boiler, furnace, fireplace, or any other combustion appliance. Draft, temperature, soot/creosote, and cleaning needs are different.

☐ **On existing buildings, "dedicated chimney" is a claim that needs verification.**

Trace the full chimney, including historical tie-ins, before accepting it for a new solid-fuel appliance.

☐ **On the set: every appliance connected to that passageway (not only the new one), dedicated flue path, liner, connector, c**

A plan that shows only the new connection, with no statement about what else uses that chimney, is incomplete.

### The fail we see first

Only one appliance is visible today. An existing chimney assumed dedicated because only one appliance is currently visible, without checking whether an old tie-in from a removed appliance still exists. Pair with 801.8 closure and 801.18 four gates.

What to send: what is being added (fireplace, wood stove, pellet), photos of the chimney and every visible connector, and what else — if anything — still uses that flue.

### Send the comments. Not the County guideline.

Folio (does it start with 30?), process or UP number, and the comments PDF. Masterbuild will say which row is actually open.

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