



The question is not whether a masonry chimney exists. It is whether the chimney and its liner are compatible with this appliance, this fuel, this flue-gas temperature, this condensate exposure, and these installation instructions. “Existing chimney to remain” is not that answer.

Original Masterbuild PE packet from Daily Code Talk on 2024 IMC 801.15 and 801.16. Confirm the adopted edition. Distinct from existing chimney reuse (801.18) and minimum area (801.6). Gas-fired appliances also follow the fuel-gas code. This is not a liner selection.

☐ **801.15: masonry chimneys used to vent fuel-fired appliances are located, constructed, and sized as specified in the appli**
801.16: masonry chimneys are lined. The lining must be compatible with the connected appliance per the listing and instructions. Listed lining materials are installed per their listing and manufacturer.

☐ **801.16.1 (residential-type and low-heat): general lining options are clay flue lining complying with ASTM C315 or equivalent**
A generic note cannot replace appliance data, manufacturer venting instructions, chimney survey, and liner submittal.

The fail we see first

High-efficiency appliance, old unlined masonry. No liner type or condition documented, flue oversized for the new duty, condensate ignored. Poor draft, corrosion, leakage, carbon monoxide, failed inspection.

What to send: appliance cut sheet (vent category and instructions), photos of the chimney and any visible liner, and whether this is a replacement or a new connection.

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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