



# RENTAL/SALE HOUSING INSPECTION GENERAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST

## GENERAL

- Smoke alarms: one in each sleeping area, one outside sleeping areas (hallway), at least one on every floor including basement
- Carbon monoxide alarms: near sleeping areas in homes equipped with fuel-fired appliances and/or attached garages
- Combination smoke/carbon monoxide alarms acceptable where required
- Operable escape windows in sleeping areas
- Windows & doors in good operational condition
- Exterior windows & doors weather tight
- Window insect screens required May 1 - Oct 31
- Building free from structural safety defects
- Stairs free from safety defects with required handrails at proper height
- No excessive fire loads permitted (hoarding with no clear path of egress)
- Structure shall be free from unsanitary conditions and pest/rodent infestation

## EXTERIOR

- Concrete surfaces in good repair & free of safety defects (porch/steps/driveway/walkway)
- Concrete sidewalks free of trip hazards
- Masonry/siding/trim free from defects
- Fascia/soffits/gutters free from defects
- Roof in good repair & free of defects
- All penetrations sealed & caulked
- Chimneys operational & free from defects
- Accessory structures free from defects
- No environmental blight:
  - Grass height six (6) inches or less
  - Noxious weeds abated
  - No inoperative/unlicensed vehicles
  - No trash/debris/junk/building materials

## BASEMENTS/ATTICS/CRAWL SPACES

- Clear unobstructed path to attic access (able to access at time of inspection)
- Attics free from defects (visible signs of water leaks, mold, rot)
- Verify mechanical vents are routed to exterior of the building
- Crawl space free from defects

- Crawl space vapor barrier
- Stairs free from defects & guardrail/graspable handrail in place
- Walls free from structural defects such as bows/cracks/leaks/canted
- Sump pumps operational and NOT connected to sanitary sewer system
- Emergency escape window in basement sleeping areas (where sleeping use is approved)

## BATHROOMS/KITCHENS

- Plumbing systems leak-free
- Proper water pressure maintained
- Hot water shall be tepid at the tap and not to exceed 120°F (scalding danger)
- Non-absorbent sealed floor coverings
- GFCI outlets where required (replacement outlets GFCI where required)
- Cabinets/countertops free from safety defects

## MECHANICAL/ELECTRICAL/PLUMBING

- Furnace safety clean & check by licensed contractor (heat exchanger)
- Fuel fired appliances properly vented
- Proper clearance from combustible materials on furnace & water heater venting
- Habitable rooms heated to minimum 68°F
- Dryer vent made of smooth wall aluminum or other approved material
- Dryer on independent vent routed outside
- Temperature pressure relief valve functioning
- Gas lines free from defects and openings properly connected or capped
- Extension cords prohibited as permanent wiring
- Outlet & switch cover plates required
- Electrical panel properly labeled
- S-type fuses installed
- Ecourse Building Dept Permits:
  - On file for existing installations
  - New installations without permit shall be inspected for safety and retroactively permitted at owner's expense after repairs if necessary



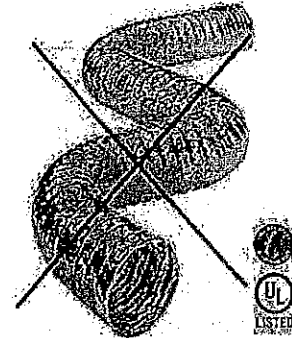
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## DRYER EXHAUST CONNECTION SAFETY REGULATIONS

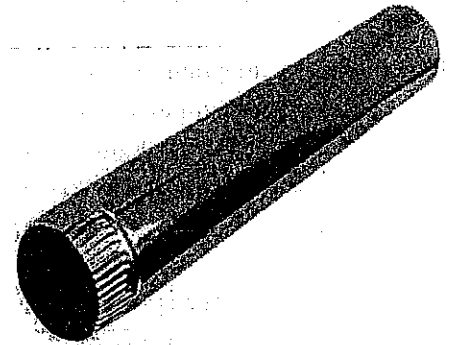
### ➤ TRANSITION DUCT

1. Connects **DRYER** to **DRYER EXHAUST DUCT**.
2. Dryer transition shall not be concealed in construction.
3. Single length of duct no longer than 8 feet.
4. \*Must be listed and labeled (UL) in accordance with **UL 2158A**.



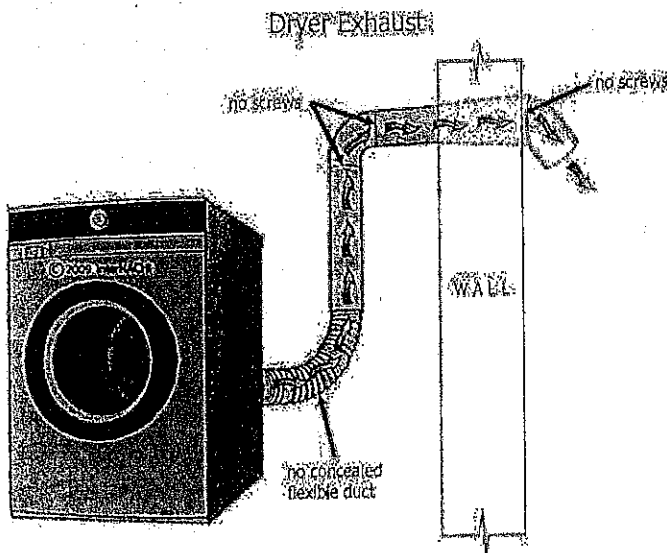
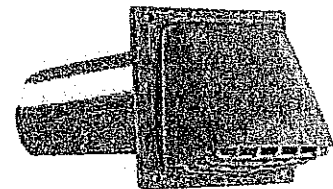
### ➤ DRYER EXHAUST DUCT

1. Connects **TRANSITION DUCT** to the **DUCT TERMINATION**.
2. May be concealed in construction.
3. 4-inch minimum diameter and must meet dryer manufacturer's installation instructions.
4. 35-foot maximum length; subtract 2.5-feet for 45-degree elbows and subtract 5-feet for 90-degree elbows (for 4-inch diameter duct unless manufacturer's installation instructions allow otherwise).
5. Must be supported at 4-foot intervals and secured.
6. Exhaust ducts shall have a smooth interior finish and be constructed of metal having a thickness of 0.0157 Inches (28 Gauge).
7. Duct ends shall be inserted in direction of airflow.
8. No screws or other fasteners that protrude into the duct are permitted. Metal foil tape and/or clamps only.



### ➤ DUCT TERMINATION

1. Connects **DRYER EXHAUST DUCT** to the exterior of the house.
2. Must terminate outside of the building.
3. Requires a back draft damper.
4. Must be located at least 3 feet from any building openings.
5. No screens or other lint blocking attachments are allowed.



\*Many retail stores sell flexible vent transition ducts that are not UL listed for use as a dryer vent. Make sure to use a product listed and labeled in accordance with **UL 2158A**.