

## 6. FLUE/VENT SYSTEM EXAMINATION

- All gas vents shall terminate outdoors.
- Gas vents located 4' or more from a vertical wall or similar obstruction shall **extend at least 1' above the roof in accordance with CMC Chapter 8.**
  - **Extend at least 1' above the roof.**
  - **Comply with Table 29-1.**
- Gas vents located less than 4' from a vertical wall or similar obstruction shall terminate at least:
  - 2' above the highest point where they pass through the roof, and
  - 2' higher than any portion of the building within 10'.
- Gas vents shall terminate no closer to a door, openable window, or gravity air inlet than the following minimum distances:
  - 4' below, or
  - 4' horizontally from, or
  - 1' above.

**Exception 1:** Vent terminals for Direct Vent **furnaces/appliances:**

  - At least 9" away for inputs up to 50,000 Btu/hr.
  - At least 12" away for inputs 50,100 to 65,000 Btu/hr.

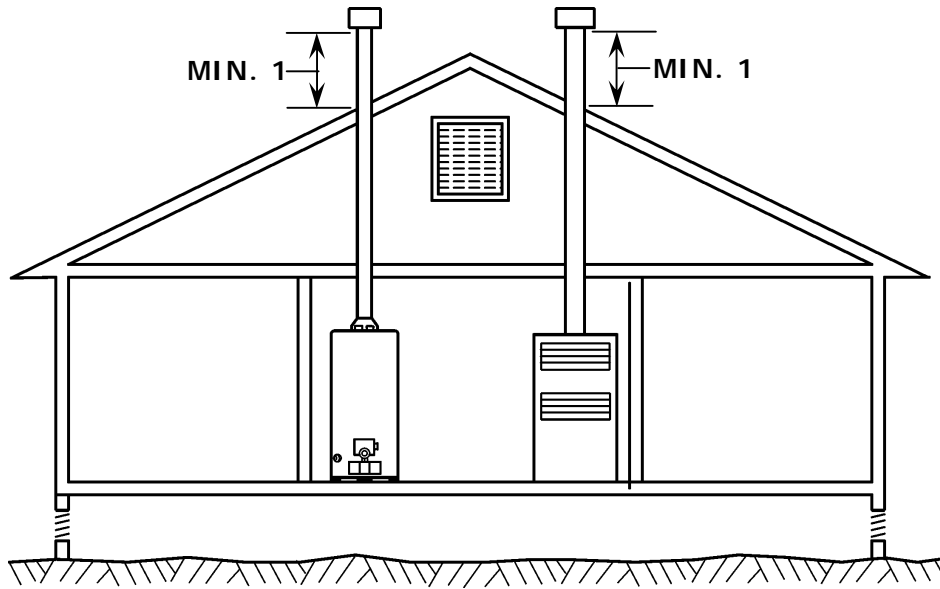
**Exception 2:** Vent terminals for Forced or Induced Draft systems (e.g., induced draft space/water heater or condensing furnace):

  - At least 12" away.

**Table 29-1: ~~Vent Termination Above a Roof~~**

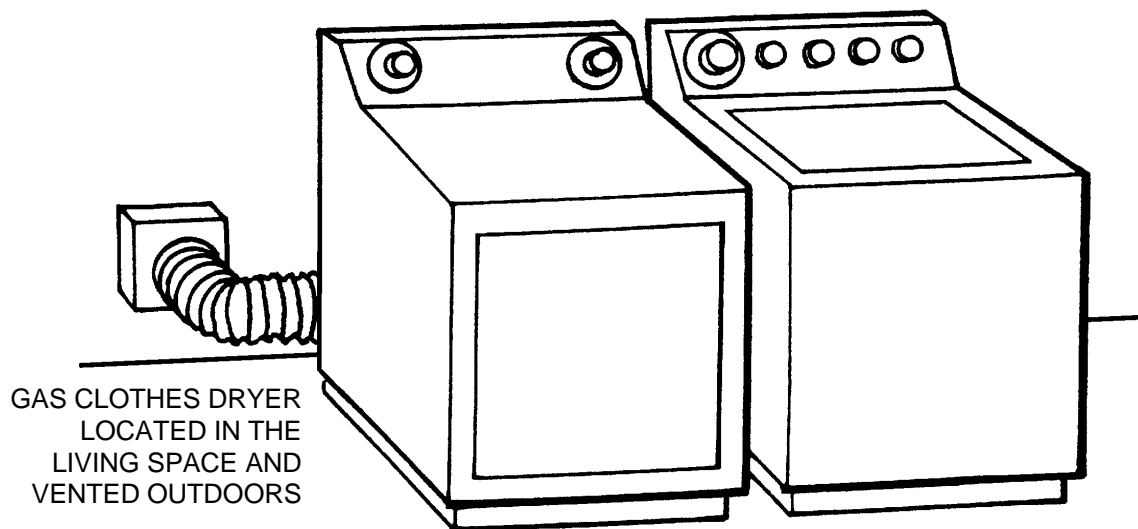
<b>MINIMUM HEIGHT FROM ROOF TO LOWEST DISCHARGE OPENING</b>	
<b>ROOF SLOPE (INCHES)*</b>	<b>HEIGHT ABOVE ROOF</b>
<b>Flat to 6/12</b>	<b>1'–0"</b>
<b>Over 6/12 to 7/12</b>	<b>1'–3"</b>
<b>Over 7/12 to 8/12</b>	<b>1'–6"</b>
<b>Over 8/12 to 9/12</b>	<b>2'–0"</b>
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<b>Over 10/12 to 11/12</b>	<b>4'–0"</b>
<b>Over 11/12 to 12/12</b>	<b>5'–0"</b>

**\*For other slopes, see CMC Chapter 8.**



## 7. ADDITIONAL EXAMINATIONS OF NATURAL GAS APPLIANCES

- Inoperable Gas Appliances
  - Inoperable natural gas appliances must be checked by a utility gas service technician (or designee), unless they are: (a) abandoned\*, or (b) inaccessible\*.
- Infiltration reduction measures shall not be installed if any of the following conditions is present:
  - Gas clothes dryer located in the living space but not exhausted outdoors\*\*.
  - Return leak present that can draw in combustion products from the FAU or other open combustion appliances (e.g., in a garage or room containing supply or return plenum/ductwork).
  - Whole house fan vented into an attic that contains a gas water heater or an open combustion furnace with standing pilot.
  - Unvented combustion space heater (e.g., gas or kerosene unit) present in the living space.
  - Open combustion water heater present in a sleeping area.
  - Gas range present which has a space heater or incinerator that is not properly vented outdoors.
- ***Inoperable gas appliance.***



***\*See Definitions.***

***\*\*Termination in a crawlspace or basement is acceptable when the space: (a) has adequate cross-ventilation, (b) does not have a return air intake in the floor, and (c) does not contain an open combustion furnace or a combustion air vent located in the floor. Any dryer termination in an open combustion appliance enclosure/closet is not acceptable.***

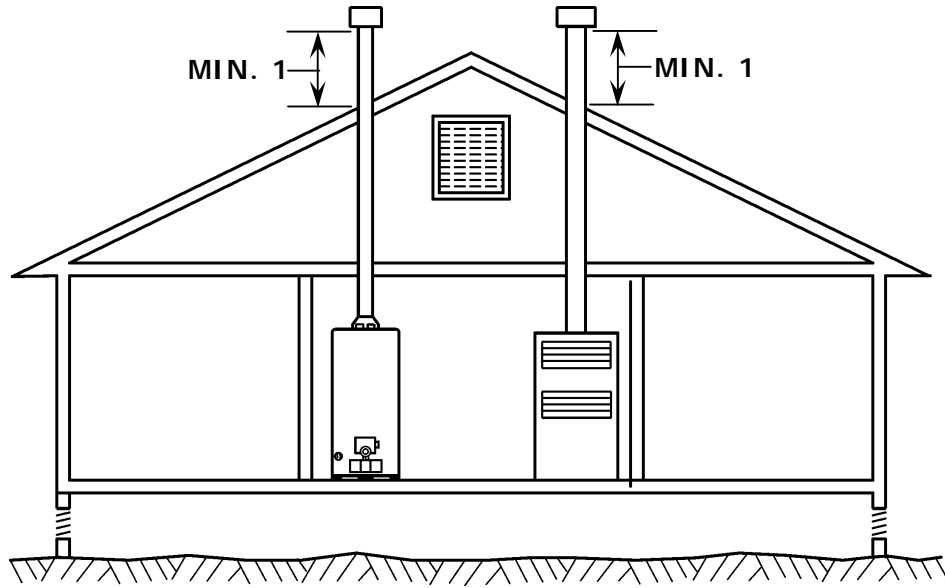
## 12. FLUE AND VENT SYSTEM EXAMINATION ~~AND REPAIR~~

- All gas vents shall terminate outdoors.
- Flue and vent systems shall be free of:
  - Draft hood defects:
    - Improperly installed or positioned.
    - Multiple (stacked) draft hoods on a single appliance.
    - **Missing (no draft hood at all).**
  - Disconnections or unsafe joints (e.g., loose, unsecured, etc.).
  - Holes or other hazardous conditions requiring repair.
  - Connection to a solid-fuel appliance chimney.
- Gas vents located **8'-4'** or more from a vertical wall or similar obstruction shall **extend at least 1' above the roof in accordance with CMC Chapter 8.**
  - **Extend at least 1' above the roof.**
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**Table 29-1: Vent Termination Above a Roof**

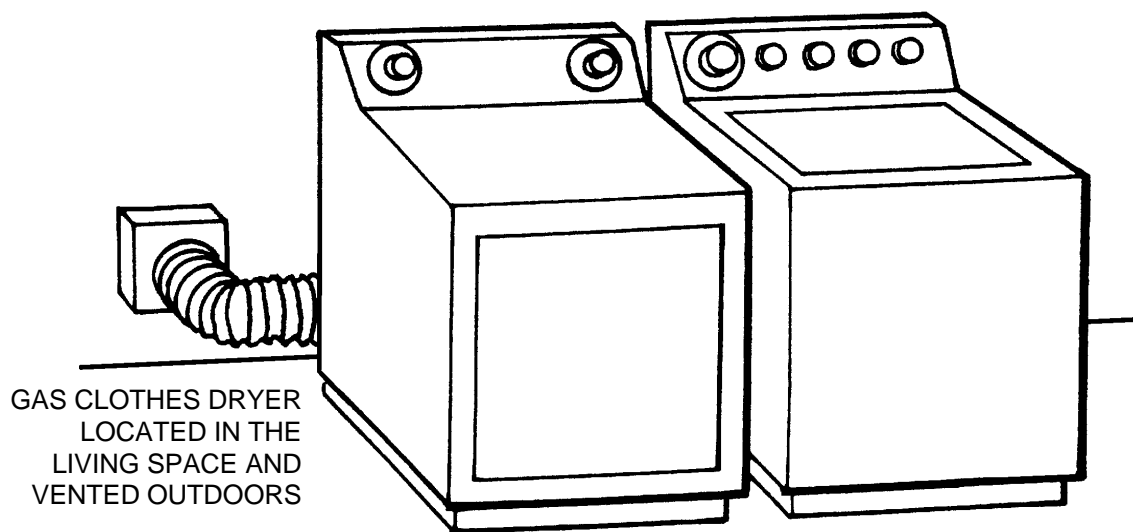
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### 13. VISUAL APPLIANCE CHECKS

- Inoperable Gas Appliances
  - Inoperable natural gas appliances must be checked by a utility gas service technician (or designee), unless they are: (a) abandoned\*, or (b) inaccessible\*.
- The following conditions are not acceptable when Infiltration Reduction Measures are installed:
  - Gas clothes dryer located in the living space but not exhausted outdoors\*\*.
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## 22. ADDITIONAL **APPLIANCE** EXAMINATIONS **OF COMBUSTION APPLIANCES**

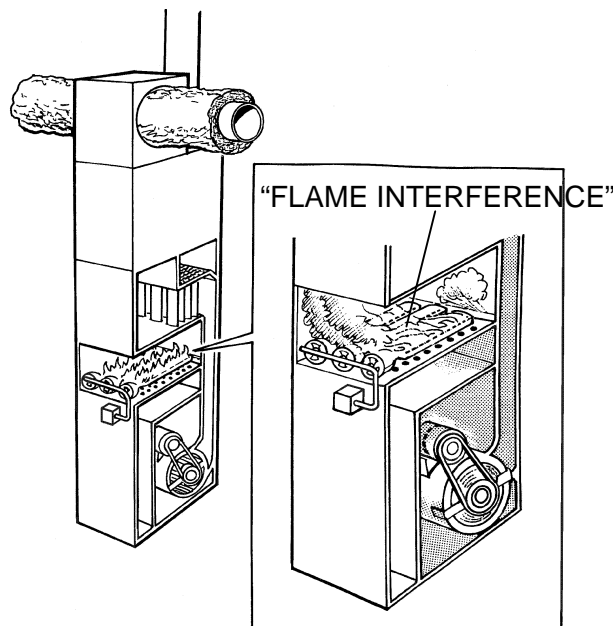
### - **Burner Performance**

- When the burner(s) ignite, checks shall be made for:
  - Delayed ignition.
  - Excessive roll-out.
- Burner(s) shall be examined for flame abnormalities, including:
  - Large yellow flame (more than 50% yellow).
  - Soft lazy flame or smothering flame.

### - **Heat Exchanger Examination on Natural Gas Forced Air Heating Systems**

- Each accessible heat exchanger shall be inspected for cracks with a mirror and strong light.
- The unit shall be further examined/serviced by a **qualified-utility gas service technician (or designee)** if any of the following conditions is present:
  - Flame interference caused by the air handler in an FAU.
  - A visually-detected crack.
  - Other evidence of a defective heat exchanger.

**?-If a defect exists, the condition shall be corrected by a **qualified utility gas service technician (or designee), or designated contractor licensed to repair HVAC appliances.****



## 28. CO TESTING FOR NATURAL GAS SPACE AND WATER HEATING SYSTEMS

- Appliance Ambient CO or Flue CO testing shall be performed.
- Appliance Ambient CO Tests
  - CO Tests shall be conducted per Items 14 – 18.
- Flue CO Tests
  - Test conditions prescribed in Item 25 shall first be established.
  - CO Tests shall be performed after a minimum of 5 minutes of burner operation.
  - Flue Gas CO measurements shall be:
    - Taken in combustion gases free of dilution air.
    - Conducted in accordance with Table 29-21.

**Table 29-21: Post-Repair/Replacement Flue CO Testing**

APPLIANCE	CO MAXIMUM PPM		NATURAL DRAFT MEASUREMENT LOCATION*
	"AS MEASURED"	"AIR FREE"	
Forced Air Furnace	—	400	Inside each exhaust port separately
Gravity Furnace	—	400	Inside each exhaust port separately
Wall Furnace	—	200	Inside flue on each side of baffle
Wall Furnace (Direct Vent)	—	400	*
Floor Furnace	—	400	Inside each exhaust port separately
Vented Room Heater	—	200	Inside each exhaust port separately
Water Heater	—	200	Inside flue on each side of baffle
Oven/Broiler	225	—	Inside exhaust port
Top Burner & Griddle	25 (per burner)	—	Burner: 12" above flame Griddle: Inside port opening
Gas Log	25	400	Inside top edge of fireplace opening

\*For Induced Draft and Closed Combustion appliances, flue gas CO is measured at the flue termination when it is accessible from the ground.