

**DURA/PLUS® & DURA-CHIMNEY®
MOST COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

1. Are Dura-Plus and Dura-Chimney the same thing?

Dura-Plus and Dura-Chimney are both 3-Wall Class "A", however Dura-Chimney is 1700° and Dura-Plus is 2100° (HT).

2. Are starter sections still required?

Yes; however the the starter section is built into the support box.

3. What connectors are used for adapting to triple wall?

A Slip connector is used for single wall Dura-Black; A Close Clearance Connector is used for DVL.

4. Does Simpson Dura-Vent have 9" chimney pipe?

9" diameter chimney is obsolete and is no longer offered.

5. Can I use two elbows together?

No. You cannot use a 15° and 30° to make a 45°.

6. What is the outside diameter?

For 6 - 8" add 4" to the inside diameter. For 10 -16" add 5" to the inside diameter.

7. How do I extend Dura-Plus thimble sleeves?

Make an extension sleeve with similar material which must have a 1" overlap minimum.

8. Can Dura-Plus be installed down to the wood stove without an enclosure?

No. Dura-Plus should end at the ceiling. Use stovepipe down to the wood stove.

9. Is a Simpson Dura-Vent manufactured cap mandatory?

Yes. It is required to have a UL approved system.

10. What is the maximum offset?

Two 2' lengths between the elbows.

11. Is there asbestos in the pipe?

No. A Ceramic Refractory Blanket is used.

12. General transition kit installation questions?

Read the installation instructions.

13. Is there a high wind cap available?

Yes. A turbo cap is available (Stock #'s 5076, 5176, or 5276).

14. When do I need to use a ventilated flashing?

Always, unless it is in an attic with ventilation, or louvers, or the pipe is not enclosed.

15. How do I size a masonry fireplace?

Measure the height and width of the fireplace opening in inches. Find the total height of the chimney in feet.

16. Where do I get non-hardening high-temperature sealant for anchor plates?

At your local hardware store. Use a minimum 1,000° sealant.

17. How is the firestop radiation shield and the attic insulation shield installed?

Install the radiation shield at the ceiling level, then install the insulation shield in the attic.

18. *Is this Dura/Plus double wall pipe? Solid pack?*

No. Dura/Plus is class A triple wall 2100° chimney pipe.

19. *Do I have to install a tee support bracket if it is below grade?*

Yes. A tee support bracket is required if below grade; start digging until you have access. We recommend enclosure.

20. *What adapter should I use for Zero Clearance Stoves?*

A Base plate.

21. *How do I seal flashing and what do I use?*

With non-hardening sealant, seal uphill part of flashing and right and left sides, leaving the bottom open (do not seal).

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