

## INFO DOCUMENT AA – HIGH VOLUME HOOD EXHAUST

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### 1 - ASSOCIATION APPROVED HOOD EXHAUST

There are no exact specifications for installing a high-capacity hood to assist with moisture and odor removal from your condominium Unit. Each exhaust will require custom engineering and a city permit to install. There are a set of minimum requirements that **MUST** be met.

1. The volume of air flow should be on the order of 500 to 800 cfm to move the air from the area over the range to the outside of the building. Consult a professional for exact requirements for your situation.
2. The hood, ducting, and finished enclosure for the vent is professionally installed.
3. A city permit needs to be obtained to ensure all safety requirements are met.
4. A *Request for Alteration* must be submitted with a detailed plan and drawing for the installation.
5. The alteration must be approved by the Condominium Board.
6. The entire length of ductwork must be made of smooth-metal composition. All seams must be sealed with fireproof tape.
7. Flexible ductwork is prohibited,
8. There should be no sharp corners in the duct run.
9. The ductwork must be insulated with fireproof material to minimize a duct fire spreading should one occur. It will also avoid condensation on or in the duct.
10. The ductwork must be cleaned every five (5) years. Documented proof of cleaning must be sent to the Association's Management Company.
11. The exterior vent must blend with the roof or wall structure. It must have a damper and screen to prevent objects from entering. It must be approved by the Board and should be part of the *Request for Alteration*.
12. It is not necessary to enclose the ductwork unless you would prefer a more finished look.
13. It is prohibited to exhaust into the garage, garage ceiling or soffits. An infraction assessment will be imposed, and the entire ductwork must be removed.
14. Any existing venting into any wall space, garage, etc. must be removed with thirty (30) days of the effective date of this document or an infraction assessment will be imposed immediately, and a repair order will be issued with monthly penalties if not in compliance.
15. The duct must **NEVER** penetrate the Garage Firewall, nor the Firewall between Units. A large fine will be assessed, and the walls will be repaired by the Condominium Association and billed to the Unit Owner.

