

Plumbing Supply and More Expands HVAC Ducting and Venting Category to Address Code and Safety Concerns

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In HVAC project budgeting, ducting and venting are frequently treated as an afterthought when compared to big-ticket equipment such as furnaces and condensers. Industry observers note that improperly sized HVAC ducting or delayed venting materials can stall project timelines and, in the case of combustion appliances, introduce safety risks including carbon monoxide backdrafting. Combustion venting must be matched precisely to appliance category, fuel type, and code requirements such as NFPA 54 and NFPA 211, making HVAC venting a technical rather than incidental part of any installation.

Plumbing Supply and More has developed its venting inventory as a resource for contractors and homeowners working through these requirements. The company now stocks Plumbing Supply And More HVAC Ducting and Venting products spanning more than 400 SKUs across twelve subcategories, including duct pipe and fittings, smoke pipe and furnace elbows, chimney liners, ductboard, B-vent, dryer vents, concentric vent kits, duct insulation, stainless steel single-wall, and termination screens.

The catalog carries recognized manufacturer brands such as Lukjan, Hart & Cooley, Z-Flex, Reflectix, Deflecto, Armstrong Air & Concord, and Thermo. Specific inventory illustrates the technical range involved. Single-wall smoke pipe and connector pipe from Lukjan, in 26-gauge and 3-inch through 7-inch diameters, is used to connect oil and gas appliances to a chimney flue and must transition to listed Type B double-wall gas vent before penetrating a wall or ceiling. Type B gas vent from Hart & Cooley is required for most Category I gas appliances under NFPA 54 and ANSI Z223.1, while concentric vent kits serve two-pipe Category IV condensing appliances such as high-efficiency furnaces.

Material selection also varies by fuel and condensate. Z-Flex stainless steel chimney liner kits are specified for oil appliances, where acidic condensate requires stainless rather than aluminum, while aluminum liner kits suit moderate-temperature gas appliances. Recessed dryer vent boxes from Deflecto and Lukjan eliminate crushable flexible hose in tight wall-to-appliance clearances, and reflective double-bubble duct insulation from Reflectix addresses ducts running through unconditioned attic or crawlspace areas, relevant to IECC minimum R-value requirements in Climate Zone 3 and higher.

These distinctions matter in practice. Undersized or mismatched ducting reduces airflow and forces HVAC equipment to work harder, while incorrect venting material or configuration on gas and oil appliances creates both a safety hazard and a code-compliance failure point during inspection.

"Venting is where a lot of otherwise solid installations run into trouble," said a spokesperson for Plumbing Supply and More. "The intent behind the HVAC ducting and venting on PSAM selection is to give contractors and homeowners access to the correct material for the appliance category and fuel type, so projects pass inspection and operate safely."

Plumbing Supply and More operates as a 10-warehouse, 75-year family-owned supply house offering professional-grade plumbing and HVAC supplies at wholesale pricing. The company provides free shipping on orders over $150, with some items excluded, and same-day shipping on orders placed before 1 PM. Contractors and homeowners can learn more at plumbingsupplyandmore.com.

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