

required draft is, of course, equal to the sum of all the resistances to gas flow from the ash pit door to and including the chimney connection.

Fig. 4 presents information on the fuel-bed draft loss for various kinds of coal burned at different rates and rough generalizations can be given for the losses in the flue passages of boiler or furnace, but, on account of the great differences in such devices, more reliable data on their flue gas volume temperature and flue resistance should be obtained for design purposes from their respective manufacturers.

Flue gases encounter resistance to flow in breechings or smoke pipes and this can probably be treated with sufficient accuracy by means of the method used for air ducts. (See Chapter 31). The friction in straight ducts can be estimated by means of the last terms of foregoing Equations 2 and 3.

Also, the temperature of flue gases falls during passage through breechings or flue pipes. For uninsulated surfaces this probably can be ade-

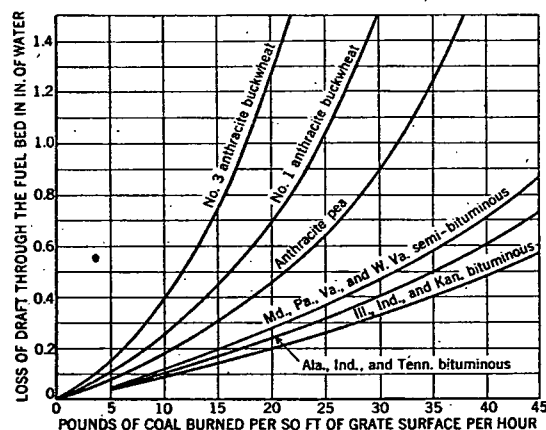


FIG. 4. DRAFT REQUIRED AT DIFFERENT RATES OF COMBUSTION FOR VARIOUS KINDS OF COAL

quately estimated by assuming a loss of heat from the flue gas of 3 Btu per hour per square foot for each degree Fahrenheit temperature difference between the gases and surrounding air.

DOMESTIC CHIMNEYS

Experience has shown that the chimney sizes given in Table 1 are in general adequate for heating boilers and furnaces with the capacities indicated, when such devices are hand fired and that chimneys of these sizes are likely to be architecturally congruous with houses or buildings which require heating devices of such capacities.

Sometimes it is desirable to use a smaller or shorter chimney than that indicated in Table 1. In such cases it is necessary to estimate whether a chimney of limited height can be made to produce sufficient draft in the particular case or whether mechanical draft must be employed.

It should be remembered that mechanically fired devices, oil burners and stokers, are equipped with blowers so that, with these devices, the chimney is not required to overcome the resistance of a fuel bed. Nevertheless, a draft in the fire box, of about 0.03 in. of water is considered

TABLE 1. RECOMMENDED MINIMUM CHIMNEY SIZES FOR HEATING BOILERS AND FURNACES^a

WARM AIR FURNACE CAPACITY IN SQ IN. OF LEADER PIPE	STEAM BOILER CAPACITY SQ FT OF RADIATION	HOT WATER HEATER CAPACITY SQ FT OF RADIATION	NOMINAL DIMENSIONS OF FIRE CLAY LINING IN INCHES	RECTANGULAR FLUE		ROUND FLUE		HEIGHT IN FT ABOVE GRATE
				Actual Inside Dimensions of Fire Clay Lining in Inches	Actual Area Sq In.	Inside Diameter of Lining in Inches	Actual Area Sq In.	
790	590	973	8½x13	7x11½	81	10	79	35
1000	690	1,140	13x13	11¼x11¼	127			
	900	1,490	8½x18	6¾x16¾	110	12	113	40
	1,100	1,820				15	177	
	1,700	2,800	13x18	11¼x16¼	183			
	1,940	3,200				18	254	45
	2,130	3,520	18x18	15¾x15¾	248	20	314	50
	2,480	4,090	20x20	17¼x17¼	298			
	3,150	5,200				22	380	55
	4,300	7,100	20x24	17x21	357	24	452	60
	4,600	7,590	24x24	21x21	441			
	5,000	8,250		24x24 ^b	576	27	573	65
	5,570	9,190						
	5,580	9,200						
	6,980	11,500		24x28 ^b	672			
	7,270	12,000		28x28 ^b	784			
	8,700	14,400						
	9,380	15,500		30x30 ^b	900			
	10,150	16,750		28x32 ^b	896			
	10,470	17,250						

^aThis table is taken from the A.S.H.V.E. Code of Minimum Requirements for the Heating and Ventilation of Buildings (Edition of 1929).

^bDimensions are for unlined rectangular flues.

desirable so that any small openings in the fire box or flue passages will result in leakage of air in, and not leakage of combustion products out, of such parts. This is not to be taken to condone leaks in fire boxes. Such leaks adversely affect plant efficiency.

OBSERVED TEST PERFORMANCE

The observed performances of some brick chimneys³ are given in Tables 2 and 3.

The tests on which these data are based were made at various outside temperatures as shown and, to make them comparable among themselves, the observed drafts were corrected to 32 F, 1 atmosphere pressure, by the formula:

$$O_2 = O_1 + S_2 - S_1 \quad (12)$$

where

- S_1 = computed static (theoretical) draft, experimental conditions.
- S_2 = computed static (theoretical) draft, standard conditions.
- O_1 = observed draft, experimental conditions.
- O_2 = observed draft corrected to standard conditions.

It will be noted that the observed draft exceeded the computed static draft during some observations on the shorter chimneys. This is mainly attributed to the draft producing effect of the hot gases immediately above the chimney. By means of a manometer it was found that a

³Observed Performance of Some Experimental Chimneys, by R. S. Dill, P. R. Achenbach and J. T. Duck (A.S.H.V.E. TRANSACTIONS, Vol. 48, 1942, p. 351).