

#### PRODUCT WARRANTY

Under normal operating conditions and providing the system is installed correctly, it should last the lifetime of the appliance, which normally is 10 years. Flexible Liners carry a 10 year conditional warranty. The conditions are that the

- . Correctly sized and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, current Building Regulations and relevant British and European standards.
- . Maintained correctly by a qualified and competent person and maintenance records kept updated for both appliance and system chimney.
- . Used in combination with an appliance burning only approved fuels in accordance with Schiedel Chimney Systems and the appliance manufacturer's instructions.
- . The product registration form must have been filled in by an appropriately qualified installer (see p.3 below the table for details), and returned to Schiedel Chimney Systems Ltd.

When using TecnoFlex on solid fuel appliances, only approved fuels should be used. For recommended fuels listings, please refer to the HETAS Guide www.hetas.co.uk

In the event of a fault developing in the product due to defective materials or faulty manufacture Schiedel Chimney. Systems undertake to replace the product only

Schiedel Chimney Systems cannot accept liability nor take any responsibility for the installation, building or redecorating costs or any other consequential losses arising.

If any complaint is found to be a result of faulty installation, non-compliance with or abuse contrary to these conditions. the cost of site investigation is chargeable.

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#### **Product Registration**

The installer/customer is required to fill in the details below and return the registration form to Schiedel Chimney Systems. Failure to register the installation may affect any claim made during the warranty period of the product.

Name & Address of Installer:		Address of property where product installed:		
Installer registration body (Gas	Safe, OFTEC, HETAS):	Installer registration number:		
Supplier/Stockist:		Date of Purchase:		
Occupier of Property:	Date of Installation	Product Installed:		
Appliance Type/Model:				
Internal Flue Diameter:	Fuel Type:			

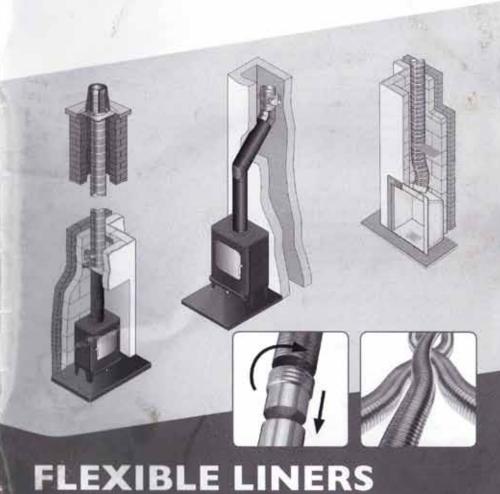
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# INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

- TecnoFlex
- Triplelock

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TecnoFlex is CE Certified to EN1856-2 TÜV 0036 CPD 9195 025 with designations:

High Temperature Applications	Low Temperature Applications				
T600 N1 W V2 L50012 G	T200 PI W V2 L50012 O				
T600 NIW V2 L70012 G	T200 PI W V2 L70012 O				

Triplelock is CE Certified to EN1856-2TUV 0036 CPD 9195 023 with designations:

### Applications T200 PI W V2 L50010 O

T300 NI W V2 L50010 O



#### **DESIGN GUIDE**

#### Mandatory Requirements

Building Regulations Document J requires that a flexible flue liner can only be installed completely enclosed inside a masonry chimney. A non masonry enclosure such as timber or plasterboard boxing in is not acceptable.

The type of flue liner permitted depends on the fuel to be used, the type of appliance and the type and year of chimney construction in which it is to be fitted.

Building Regulations Document J, outlines different requirements for relining masonry chimneys built before and after 1st February 1966. This is summarised in the table below.

Appliance	Chimneys built before 1.2.1966	Chimneys built after 1.2.1966		
Gas Burning Output up to 45kw	Triplelock can be used in unlined chimney on dry applications.	Triplelock can be used in lined chimney on dry applications.		
Kerosene Burning Output up to 45kw	Triplelock can be used in unlined chimney on dry applications.	Triplelock can be used in lined chimney on dry applications.		
Gas/Oil Burning Output up to 45kw	TecnoFlex can be used in unlined chimney on wet and dry applications.	Tecnoflex can be used in lined chimney on wet and dry applications.		
Solid Fuel Burning Output up to 45kw		TecnoFlex can be used in fined chimney.		

Connection to an appliance which is not connected to the fuel supply, should be carried out by a competent person. We recommend the use of HETAS approved installers for solid fuel applications. However connection to an appliance that is connected to the fuel supply must be carried out by a Gas Safe (Gas) or OFTEC (Oil) registered installer.

The design guide must be read in conjunction with the detailed component installation instructions. For full design and installation details the key referral documents are:

- BS EN 1856-2: Connecting Flue Pipes
- BS EN 1856-2: Flue Liners
- BS EN 1859: Metal Chimneys Testing Methods
- · BS EN 1443: Chimneys General Requirements
- BS EN 15287-1: Chimneys. Design, installation and commissioning of chimneys. Chimneys for non-room sealed heating appliances.
- Approved Document J: Combustion appliances and fuel storage systems (England & Wales)
- DFP Technical Booklet L: Combustion appliances and fuel storage systems (NI)
- Technical Handbook (Domestic & Non Domestic), Section 3 Environment (Scotland)
- Appliance Installation Instructions and related standards. Other standards covering specific applications will also be relevant and must be adhered to.

Ensure all chimney components are available and check them to ensure there has been no damage. Do not use damaged components.

#### Prior to Installation

In all cases the chimney should be inspected for deterioration and if necessary any remedial work required should be. carried out. The chimney should be swept, preferably by a member of NACS (National Association of Chimney Sweeps) or a suitably qualified chimney sweep who would provide a certificate after sweeping and checking, which should be retained for future reference.

It will be necessary to check that the flaunching at the top of the stack is not cracked, and if so replaced. The brickwork pointing and the flashings should be checked to ensure they are in good order and corrected as necessary. This is required to prevent ingress of rainwater, which, if mixed with carbon deposits on the inside wall of the chimney, could then damage the fabric of the building and the chimney liner.



Inspection

On solid fuel applications to conform to Building Regulations, provisions should be made to enable a chimney to be inspected and cleaned.

An inspection pipe, inspection elbow or a 90° or 135° Tee with tee cap can form a suitable inspection point (unless cleaning/inspection can be done through the appliance). To aid cleaning, sufficient distance should be left between changes of direction to permit the safe passage of cleaning brushes within the system. This is particularly important on solid fuel applications. It is recommended that chimneys serving solid fuel appliances be swept as frequently as necessary, but at least twice a year.

Connecting Flue Pipe Diameter

Connecting Flue Pipe Diameter size should be as recommended by the appliance manufacturer; Where there is a requirement for a flue diameter smaller than the appliance spigot, then the operational requirements of the appliance and the configuration of the flue must satisfy the flue sizing requirements of ENI3384-1.

**Connecting Flue Pipe Route** 

Connecting flue pipes should only be used to connect appliances to a Chimney. They should not pass through any roof space, partition, internal wall or floor; except to pass directly into a chimney through either a wall of the chimney or a floor supporting the chimney.

Connecting flue pipes should be located as to avoid igniting combustible material.

On appliances with a top outlet, it is recommended that a vertical run of at least 600mm should be allowed immediately above the appliance prior to any change of direction.

On appliances with a rear outlet, it is recommended that there is maximum of 150mm in the horizontal run however under certain conditions, as described in alternative methods in BS EN 15287-1, this may be increased to 450mm.

Within a system (Chimney + Connecting Flue Pipe) there should be no more than 4 changes of direction of maximum 45°. 90° Factory made bends or tees within the system may be treated as being equal to two 45° bends (as per Document J of the Building Regulations issued October 2010)

#### Distance to Combustibles

In accordance with building regulations, it is essential that the correct distance to combustible material is maintained on connecting flue pipes. On solid fuel applications, where there is a risk of soot fire, this distance is  $3 \times \emptyset$ Int of the pipe, i.e for  $\emptyset 125$ mm the distance is 375mm and for  $\emptyset 150$ mm the distance is 450mm to combustibles on both painted and non painted variants.

Connection to the Appliance or Flue Box

The connection to the appliance should be made using fire cement/rope or high temperature sealant to ensure a positive seal. Where TecnoFlex is to be fitted to the top of an open fire place, a Schiedel Rite-Vent gather unit should be fitted into the throat of the chimney connected to the TecnoFlex and sealed off.

When connecting to a Schiedel Rite-Vent flue box, the flexible liner simply pushes directly on to the fast fix spigot. No sealant is required.

When making a connection to a fluepipe in another product type, such as rigid stainless steel single or double wall or vitreous enamel, then the appropriate connector to/from flexible should be used. The connector should be suitably sealed to the appliance spigot ensuring a gas tight joint.

#### Installation of the Liner

Prior to installation of the Flex, we recommend that a test length of approx. I.5m with a nose cone attached to each end, is pulled through the chimney to ensure that the chimney is suitably sized and free from obstructions. Failure to do so may lead to the warranty being invalidated on the Flex if damage has been caused due to snagging on an obstruction. The flue liner should be pulled down the chimney using a nose cone and string/rope. All Triplelock packs are supplied with a nose cone. In the case of TecnoFlex, a screw fit nose cone can be purchased and connected to the end of the TecnoFlex by screwing the cone onto the outside of the TecnoFlex.

#### **Liner Orientation**

It is essential in the case of twin wall TecnoFlex that the liner is installed the right way up. The arrow on the outside of the liner indicates the direction of flue gas flow and must be pointing upwards towards termination. Triplelock Flex can be installed either way up.



Bending of the Liner

Great care should be taken to avoid overbending or kinking the liner on installation. The minimum bending radii are shown in the table below.

Minimum Bending Radius													
Product	80	100	125	155	180	200	230	250	300	350	400	450	500
Triplelock		250	310	375	450	500	575	625	750	885	1000	1125	1250
TecnoFlex	240	300	375	465	540	600	690	750	900				100

#### Insulation

Where the chimney is highly exposed or in a large void, then insulation should be considered. If insulation is required, granules such as Vermiculite, should be poured in around the liner from the top of the stack after fitting a suitable debris plate at the bottom of the system. Alternatively a solid tube of high quality insulation can be used.

Cutting the Liner to the Correct Length for the Chimney

After the length of flue liner has been connected to the appliance, allow a sufficient length of liner to protrude above the clamp plate to secure the terminal and then cut, using suitable cutting equipment. At all times extreme care must be taken when cutting the liner and strong industrial gloves plus long sleeved overalls should be worn as cut edges are very sharp. In addition, any tape secured to the ends of the liner, which is provided for safe handling prior to installation, must be removed before completion and commissioning of the full system.

#### **Support Components**

**Triplelock**, which is used exclusively on gas and oil applications, is relatively light and can be supported at the top of the chimney using a clamp plate fixed to the top of the masonry stack.

TecnoFlex, however, is heavier and must be supported at both top and bottom of the stack. At the top of the stack there are two alternatives:

- 1. Plate and clamp fixed directly to the existing masonry stack
- 2. Pot Hanger/ Combined Pot Hanger & Terminal supporting the weight of the flex using the existing chimney pot.

At the base of the stack a bottom support bracket should be used.

#### Sealing the Flue Liner to the Chimney Pot

The clamp plate or plate and clamp holding the liner to the chimney top should be secured to the stack. To weather the top of the chimney stack, seal any gaps between the liner installation and the chimney pot using appropriate acid resistant mortar:

#### Ventilation

It is very important that sufficient air for combustion is provided to the room containing the appliance, to enable correct and efficient working of the system. Reference should be made to the appliance manufacturer's instructions and recommendations are also given in the Building Regulations Document J.

#### Carbon Monoxide Alarms

The carbon monoxide alarms should comply with BS EN 50291:2001.

Where a new or replacement fixed solid fuel appliance is installed in a dwelling, a carbon monoxide alarm should be provided in the room where the appliance is located.

Please follow manufacturers instructions with regards to siting and fixing or alternatively :-

- a) On the ceiling at least 300mm from any wall or if it is located on a wall, as high up as possible (above any doors and windows), but not within 150mm of the ceiling and
- b) between 1m and 3m horizontally from the appliance.

N.B Provision of a carbon monoxide alarm should not be regarded as a substitute for correct installation and regular servicing.

#### Delivery to Site and Storage

Components should be carefully transported and off loaded. They should be inspected to ensure they have not been damaged, and should be stored off the ground and under cover so that they are protected from accidental damage and the adverse effects of weather.



#### **TECNOFLEX ACCESSORIES**

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### Fig. I



Top of the Chimney

Fig. 2

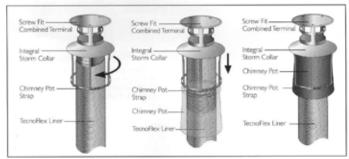


Fig. 3

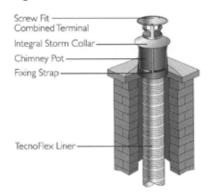


Fig. 4

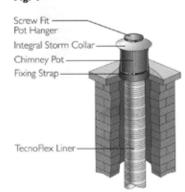
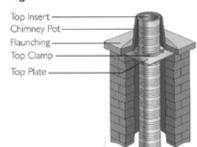
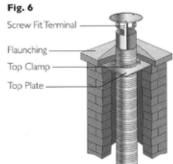


Fig. 5





#### **Combined Pot Hanger & Terminal**

The combined pot hanger and terminal supports the weight of up to 15m of TecnoFlex using the existing chimney pot as an anchor point The threaded adaptor on the bottom of this component is screwed onto the outside of the TecnoFlex liner (see Fig. I). The liner is then lowered down the chimney until the storm collar rests on the top of the chimney pot. The three straps which are welded to the underside of the collar, are located to the outside of the pot (see Fig.2 opposite). The fixing strap in the kit is then fastened over these three straps, leaving approximately 50mm protruding below. The fixing strap is tightened into place using a screwdriver. The protruding ends on the three straps are then bent upwards into a loop around the fixing strap (see Fig.3).

#### Pot Hanger

The pot hanger is installed in the same way as the combined pot hanger and terminal (See Fig. I, 2 & 4 opposite).

#### Terminal

The screw fit terminal is used in combination with the plate and clamp (see Fig.6 opposite). The adaptor on the bottom of the terminal is screwed on to the flex (see Fig. 1). Cement flaunching is then used up to and around the base of the terminal to make the system weather tight.

#### Top Clamp

The top clamp is used in combination with the top plate to support the weight of the liner at the top of the stack. The split band passes around the TecnoFlex liner and is then tightened in place using the nuts and bolts provided. The band then rests on top of the top plate (see Fig.5 opposite). The top clamp will support the weight of up to 20m of TecnoFlex.

#### Top Plate

The top plate is used in combination with the top clamp to support the weight of the liner at the top of the stack (see Fig.5 opposite)The top plate should be fixed securely in place and flaunched to make weather proof

#### Top Insert

A top insert should be used to protect the top of the flex inside the chimney pot (see Fig.5 opposite). The area between the flex and the chimney pot should be sealed to prevent water ingress.

#### Adaptor TecnoFlex to Prima Plus

The adaptor from TecnoFlex can be used as an alternative to the top insert, or to connect from TecnoFlex to Prima Plus product within the chimney stack. It is secured to the flex as shown in Fig.1 opposite. The area between the adaptor and the chimney pot should be sealed to prevent water ingress.



**Combined Pot Hanger** & Terminal



Pot Hanger



Terminal



Top Clamp



**Top Plate** 



Top Insert



Adaptor TecnoFlex to Prima Plus





### Connection from the Appliance

Fig. 7

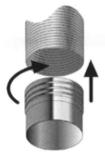


Fig. 9 Typical Open Fire Installation

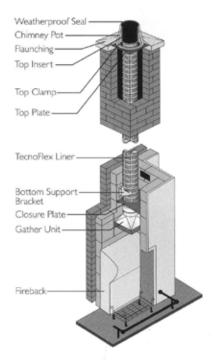
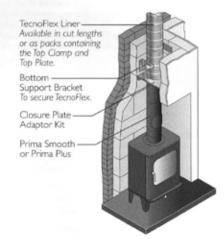
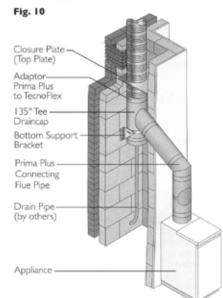


Fig. 8 Typical Stove Installation





#### Adaptor Plain End to TecnoFlex

The adaptor is attached to the TecnoFlex (see Fig.7) by screwing the adaptor in a clockwise direction until the edge of the TecnoFlex is located between the liner and the threaded outer wall of this component. On high temperature applications, no sealant is required on the screwfit joint. The plain end of the adaptor protrudes through the hole in the debris/register plate at the base of the chimney stack. The protruding end of the adaptor then fits inside the vitreous enamel or stainless steel stove pipe. This joint between the plain spigot and the stove pipe should be sealed with fire cement/rope or appropriate high temperature sealant.



Adaptor Plain End to TecnoFlex



Extended Adaptor Plain End to TecnoFlex

### **Extended Adaptor Plain End to TecnoFlex**

Installed as per adaptor Plain End to TecnoFlex



Closure Plate Adaptor Kit

### **Closure Plate Adaptor Kit**

Consisting of two parts, a ring and an extended plain end to TecnoFlex adaptor, this adaptor is fitted as per the adaptor plain end to TecnoFlex. The ring is then slid up around the spigot and fastened to the underside of the debris/register plate to provide a neat aesthetic finish on site (see Fig.8).

#### **Gather Unit**

The TecnoFlex is fastened inside the socket protruding from the top of the gather unit and the joint sealed using fire cement/rope or appropriate high temperature sealant. The gather should then be fixed to the inside of the masonry chimney to create a seal with the chimney wall (See Fig. 9 opposite).



**Gather Unit** 

### **Bottom/Intermediate Support**

The support bracket is used to faster the flex to the wall of the masonry chimney, to prevent lateral movement during sweeping of the chimney. (See Fig. 8, 9 & 10 opposite).



Bottom/Intermediate Support





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#### **Eccentric Increaser Plain End to TecnoFlex**

Installed as per Adaptor Plain end to TecnoFlex on p.9



**Eccentric Increaser** Plain End to TecnoFlex

### Push Fit Adaptor

The TecnoFlex is pushed down between the two walls of the adaptor. The screws are then tightened to fasten the flex securely in place. The joint is then sealed using fire cement or an appropriate high temperature sealant



**Push Fit Adaptor** 

#### **Adaptor Prima Prima Plus to TecnoFlex**

Attached to the TecnoFlex and fitted through the closure plate as per the adaptors above, the male spigot is pushed inside the female socket of the Prima Plus connecting flue pipe and the joint secured using a locking band. On high temperature applications, no sealant is required between the flex and the adaptor, however on condensing applications, an acid resistant sealant, such as Rotempo, or equivalent, is required to seal this joint. Please contact Schiedel Chimney Systems for details.



Adaptor Prima Plus to TecnoFlex

#### Nosecone

The nosecone is fastened to the TecnoFlex by twisting in a clockwise direction. A length of rope or string is attached to the handle on the nose cone, which is then used to pull the TecnoFlex down the chimney. The component is then unfastened and may be used on subsequent installations.



Nosecone

#### Adaptor Prima Smooth to TecnoFlex

Fitted as per the Prima Plus to TecnoFlex adaptor, however no locking band is required between the spigot of the adaptor and the Prima Smooth connecting flue pipe. No sealant is required between the screwfit part of the adaptor and the Prima Smooth to TecnoFlex TecnoFlex on high temperature applications.



Adaptor

#### Screw Fit Joiner

Joiners are only permitted if the chimney liner length exceeds the maximum length of flex available and details of the installation have been approved in advance, in writing, in compliance with product warranties. The joiner is screwed onto the TecnoFlex liner as per a standard adaptor.

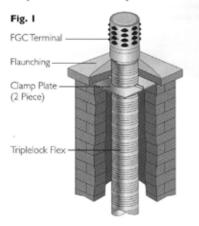


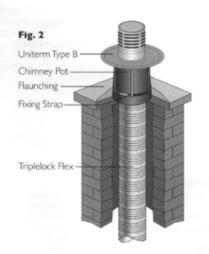
Screw Fit Joiner

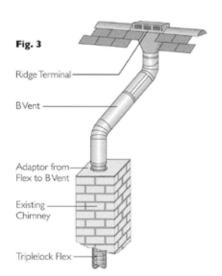


#### TRIPLELOCK ACCESSORIES

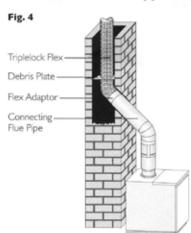
### Top of the Chimney







### Connection from an Appliance



When making a connection to a flue pipe in another product type, such as BVent, rigid stainless steel single or double wall or vitreous enamel, then the appropriate connector to/from flexible should be used (see Fig. 3). The joint should be suitably sealed to ensure a gas tight joint.

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#### **FGC Economy Terminal**

75mm of Flex is required to ensure a positive location of the flex within the terminal. Once the flex is fixed in position, the FGC Terminal is pushed down over the top of the flex, with the inward bead on the terminal acting as a location and stop point for the flex. Cement flaunching is then used up to and around the base of the terminal to make the system weather tight (see Fig. 1).



**FGC Economy Terminal** 

#### Cast Aluminium Terminal

75mm of Flex is required to ensure a positive location of the flex within the terminal. Once the flex is fixed in position, the FRI2ST Terminal is pushed down over the top of the flex, with the ridge on the inside of the terminal acting as a location and stop point for the flex. Cement flaunching is then used up to and around the base of the terminal to make the system weather tight.



The Uniterm Type B supports the weight of the flex using the existing chimney pot as an anchor point. The base of the Uniterm is lowered over the top of the flex, ensuring that the flex does not protrude beyond the stop bead in the terminal. 3 self tapping screws are provided to fasten the Uniterm securely to the flex. The liner is then lowered down the chimney until the storm collar rests on the top of the chimney pot. The three straps (see Fig. 2) which are attached to the underside of the storm collar, are located to the outside of the pot. The fixing strap in the kit is then fastened over these three straps, leaving approximately 50mm protruding below. The fixing strap is tightened into place using a screwdriver. The protruding ends on the three straps are then bent upwards into a loop around the fixing strap.



Cast Aluminium Terminal



Uniterm Type B



**Universal Terminal** 



Clamp Plate (2 Piece)



Clamp & Plate



Debris plate

### Universal Terminal

75mm of Flex is required to ensure a positive location of the flex within the terminal. Once the flex is fixed in position, the Universal Terminal is pushed down over the top of the flex, with the bead on the inside of the terminal acting as a location and stop point for the flex. Cement flaunching is then used up to and around the base of the terminal to make the system weather tight.

#### Clamp Plate (2 Piece)

The clamp plate is used to support the weight of up to 15m of the liner at the top of the stack. The two piece plate passes around the liner and is then tightened in place using the nuts and bolts provided. The top plate should be fixed securely in place and then flaunched to make weather proof.

#### Clamp & Plate

The clamp and plate are used to support the weight of up to 15m of the liner at the top of the stack. The flex protrudes through the top plate and the two-piece split band is then fastened tightly around the flex using the nuts and bolts provided. Sufficient flex should be left protruding through the clamp plate to allow for positive location within the terminal. The top plate should be fixed securely in place and then flaunched to make weather proof.

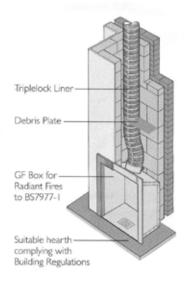
#### **Debris Plate**

The debris plate is used within the existing chimney stack, just above the base (see Fig. 4 opposite). The clamp fitting is used to fasten the plate to the flex and then the plate should be securely fastened within the chimney stack.



### Connection to a Fluebox

Fig. I Typical Triplelock Installation



When connecting to a Schiedel Rite-Vent fluebox, example Fig.I., the flexible liner simply pushes directly on to the fast fix spigot. No sealant is required.

I - Detach spigot from the fluebox. - Push box straight back into opening. - Screw flange face to wall. 2 - Lowering from top of chimney. - Pull flex into flue box interior using nose cone and string provided. - Remove nose cone. - Push fit Fast-fix spigot onto flex, which will be secured by the unique clip fastening. 3 - Push spigot back into aperture in box top. - Secure spigot using bolts provided. - Complete installation by fitting clamp plate and terminal.

#### Standard Flue Box

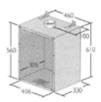
Designed for use with radiant and decorative gas fires complying to BS 7977-1. Constructed with an aluminium liner and coated steel outer case.



Standard Flue Box

#### Recessed Flue Box

Designed with the spigot at the rear, for use with larger radiant and decorative gas fires for gas fires to BS 7977-1.



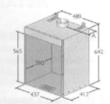
Recessed Flue Box

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#### ILFE Flue Box

For use with Inset Live Fuel Effect gas fires complying to BS 7977-1, with a heat output not exceeding 7kw.

Flex Ø	Dim A
125	122
180	149



**ILFE Flue Box** 

Large Flue Box for Back Boiler

Adjustable in depth from 358mm - 480mm to accommodate a wide range of back boilers. Suitable for fires complying with BS 7977-2.

Universal opening allowing connection to the boiler with B Vent or Flex.



Large Flue Box for back boiler

**GF Flue Box** 

#### **GF Flue Box**

Single wall design with sloping back to help fit some openings. For radiant gas fires complying with BS7977-1.



#### **VRV Twin Wall Flue Box**

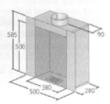
Twin wall construction for reduced condensation. Otherwise as VRV Single Skin Box.



**VRV Twin Wall** Flue Box

#### VRV Single Skin Flue Box

Suitable for fires complying with BS7977-1. Fits most popular radiant gas fires including the widely used Valor Firelite Oxysafe. Reduced height, extra depth and extra large flanges minimise builders work on installation.



**VRV** Single Skin Flue Box



### **DESIGN, INSTALLATION & ASSEMBLY**

#### Can anyone install Flue Liner?

Connection to an appliance which is not connected to the fuel supply, should be carried out by a competent person. However, connection to an appliance that is connected to the fuel supply **must** be carried out by a GAS SAFE (for gas) or OFTEC (for oil) registered installer. We recommend the use of HETAS approved installers for solid fuel applications.

#### Are there any special tools or equipment required?

No. The following would be necessary:- suitable cutting equipment, screwdriver, and adjustable spanner. To weather the top of the chimney stack and seal, a trowel with some sand and cement will be required. A closure plate would need to be fitted at the bottom of the system using appropriate fixings.

#### Can Flue Liner be installed anywhere?

No. Flue liner <u>must</u> only be installed inside a masonry brick chimney, as defined in the table on page 2 depending on the type and year of chimney construction.

#### Are any other materials required?

The connection to the appliance should be made using a high temperature sealant and/or glass rope to ensure a positive seal. Where TecnoFlex is to be fitted to the top of an open fire place, a Schiedel Chimney Systems gather unit should be fitted into the throat of the chimney connected to the TecnoFlex and sealed off.

# The chimney has been previously used for an open solid fuel fire, can a flue liner be installed straight away?

No, in all cases, the chimney must be inspected for deterioration and if necessary, any remedial work required must be carried out. The chimney should be swept, preferably by a member of NACS (National Association of Chimney Sweeps) or a suitably qualified chimney sweep who would provide a certificate after sweeping and checking, which should be retained for future reference. A list of HETAS registered chimney sweeps can be found at www.hetas.co.uk

#### How is the liner supported?

Triplelock Flex is relatively light so it can be supported at the top of the chimney by using a clamp plate, which should be fixed to the top of the masonry stack. TecnoFlex however, is heavier and would be supported either by using a separate plate and clamp, which would be securely fixed to the top of the stack, or using a suitable pot hanger - see p.5 for more details. Where a tee is used at the base of the system to provide a drain point/cleaning access or connection to a flue pipe from the appliance, a bottom support bracket would be required, fixed to the inside of the stack.

#### How is the liner cut to the correct length for the chimney?

After the length of flue liner has been connected to the appliance, fluebox spigot or to the flue pipe connecting to the appliance, allow sufficient liner to protrude at the top of the chimney stack in the case of the pot hanger terminals, or above the top plate and clamp to ensure a positive location within the relevant terminal, and cut. This should be done by using an industrial knife or metal snips. At all times extreme care must be taken when cutting the liner and strong industrial gloves plus long sleeved overalls should be worn as cut edges are very sharp. In addition, any tape secured to the ends of the liner, which is provided for safe handling prior to installation, must be removed before completion, and commissioning of the full system.

#### Is there a correct 'way up' to install the flue liner?

- Yes, on TecnoFlex multifuel liner; the directional arrow on the outside of the liner indicates the direction of flue gases, and this must be pointing upwards towards termination.
- Triplelock Flex can be installed either way up.



# How should the Terminal be connected to the flue liner and how is the installation made weatherproof?

For gas and oil systems, the terminal should be fitted over the protruding end of the liner, ensuring that the flex does not protrude beyond the stop bead in the terminal, and riveted or secured using self tapping screws. On TecnoFlex, where used on solid fuel appliances, either a proprietary chimney pot must be fitted by bedding the pot on to the top plate, or alternatively a raincap, or combined terminal and pot hanger may be preferred - see p.5 for details. In all cases, the top of the stack should then be weathered and sealed using a suitable acid resistant mortar to prevent ingress of water

#### Are there any special requirements for providing combustion ventilation?

It is very important that sufficient air for combustion is provided to the room containing the appliance, to enable correct and efficient working of the system. Reference should be made to the appliance manufacturer's instructions and recommendations are also given in the Building Regulations Document J.

## Does an existing chimney need relining when fitting a gasfire into a fireplace opening?

Building Regulations Document J, outlines different requirements for relining masonry chimneys built before and after 1st February 1966. This can be summarised in the following table to provide guidance in the correct method of installing Schiedel Chimney Systems flue liners into these chimney types. The liner must be sized to meet the requirements of the new appliance, please refer to the flue size selection guide and the appliance manufacturer's instructions. A lined chimney is defined as one which is fitted with a clay or concrete liner within the flueway, complying with Document J.

Appliance	Chimneys built before 1.2.1966	Chimneys built after 1.2.1966		
Gas Fire Input up to 10kw	Triplelock can be used in unlined chimney	Triplelock can be used in lined chimney		
Gas Fire Output up to 10kw	TecnoFlex can be used in unlined chimney.	TecnoFlex can be used in lined chimney.		

#### What basic components are required for a typical relining system?

A typical installation would include the liner, a clamp plate and terminal. These are generally supplied in a kit form for Triplelock Flex, a debris plate would also be required to seal off the base of the stack. In the case of an open fire using TecnoFlex, a gather unit, and debris plate would be necessary together with a form insert and a suitable terminal/pot. When installing a flue liner for use on a gas fire complying to BS7977-1, BS7977-2 and BS EN 509 (i.e. Radiant, BBU, DGF or ILFE), a range of flueboxes are available with Triplelock Flex and TecnoFlex spigots for use within the chimney opening.

# When a roof has been converted from flat to pitched, and the existing chimney is capped, can the chimney be reused to accommodate a new appliance?

The chimney can be reused providing the existing brickwork is inspected to ensure it is in good condition. The chimney can be lined with the appropriate liner, ensuring that the liner is used only inside the stack. Extension from the top of the capped off stack should be made using a System Chimney approved to BS EN1856-1, such as Eco ICID or ICS. Connection from the appliance should be made using a connecting flue pipe approved to EN1856-2 such as Prima Plus for all fuels, or Prima Smooth in the case of solid fuel.



#### Is the flexible liner pulled up or down the chimney, and what should be used?

The flue liner can be pulled up or down the chimney the chimney using a nose cone and string/rope. A nose cone can be purchased, rope attached, and connected to the end of the liner. It is strongly recommended that a 1.5m test section, with two nose cones and rope attached, is pulled through the chimney, prior to installation, in order to ensure the chimney is suitably sized, and free from obstructions. These can be purchased separately from your local distributor.

# The existing chimney has a flexible flue liner fitted, connected to an old gas fire. If the fire was to be changed can the liner be reused for the new fire?

Yes, in general terms, providing the diameter and type of flex is suitable for the new appliance to be fitted, the installer has inspected the liner and is satisfied that the condition of the liner is such that it may be reused with the new appliance. However, as the lifespan of the previous appliance and liner may not be known, it is **strongly** recommended the old flueliner is removed, the chimney swept, then a suitable new liner installed.

# Are there any other maintenance checks that should be carried out when installing a new appliance?

It will be necessary to check that the flaunching at the top of the stack is not cracked, and if so replaced. The brickwork pointing and the flashings should be checked to ensure they are weather tight and repaired where necessary.

#### Can flue liner be used on condensing appliances?

We recommend the use of TecnoFlex on condensing Gas and Oil appliances. The smooth inner liner allows for the swift drain down of condensates to a suitable drain point at the base of the vertical system. TecnoFlex can be used on appliances with a maximum pressure of 200Pa. The liner should be used in combination with connecting flue pipe and fittings, which have been tested and approved to BS EN1856-2. An acid resistant sealant, such as Rotempo or equivalent should be used to seal the joint between the flexible liner and the screw fit adaptor.

#### The chimney to be lined is very tall, can lengths of flue liner be joined?

It is recommended that flexible flue liners be installed in continuous lengths without joiners. Schiedel Chimney Systems can supply all flue liners in specific lengths on drums or in pack form upon request. On TecnoFlex installations, joiners are **only** permitted where the chimney liner length exceeds the maximum length available and details of the installation are agreed in advance, in writing, in compliance with product warranty conditions.

#### **Multifuel Applications**

Whilst technically an open terminal offers the least possible resistance to the flue gases, in order to avoid excessive rain ingress, a raincap or combined terminal and pot hanger may be used. We would recommend that 316L material is used on raincaps to provide higher resistance to corrosion. Regular inspection and cleaning is essential to prevent build up of soot and tar which could block the terminal or create a fire hazard. For all multifuel systems, regular cleaning is essential to prevent the accumulation of material which could ignite and create a fire hazard.

#### Do I require an appliance connector to fit the flex to the appliance spigot?

In the event of connecting directly to the appliance i.e a gas fire with back boiler within the chimney stack, it will generally be unnecessary to use an appliance connector. When making a connection to a connecting flue pipe in another product type, then the appropriate connector to/from flexible would be used. In all cases, a gas tight joint must be ensured.



#### AFTER INSTALLATION

#### Maintenance

Each chimney must be designed to allow for easy inspection; sweeping should be carried out by competent persons. On solid fuel applications a list of HETAS registered sweeps can be found at www.hetas.co.uk. Chimney flue cleaning and inspection require the use of appropriate tooling — under no circumstances should mild steel tools be used to sweep stainless steel chimneys. Cleaning/inspection of any chimney system should be carried out at least once a year, along with maintenance of the appliance, but it is recommended that chimneys serving solid fuel appliances be swept at least twice a year.

#### What is the life expectancy and are there any warranties on the liners?

Under normal operating conditions and providing the liner is installed correctly, it should last the lifetime of the appliance which is normally 10 to 12 years. All flue liners carry a 10 year conditional warranty. The conditions are that the flue liner is correctly sized, installed, and properly maintained, burning only approved fuels in accordance with the Schiedel Chimney Systems and appliance manufacturer's instructions. For recommended fuels listings, please refer to the HETAS guide or appliance manufacturer's instructions. Warranty registration details are provided with installation instructions for completion and registration with Schiedel Chimney Systems.

#### Will the flue liner be OK to use after a chimney fire?

The flue liner could be damaged under the conditions of a chimney fire, and **must** always be inspected by a suitably qualified individual (e.g. HETAS registered installer and replaced as necessary), before using the appliance or fire again.

#### Testing before use

This is carried out using a flue flow test as described in BS EN 15287 Parts 1 & 2, with reference to the appropriate appliance type.

#### NOTICE PLATE

#### **Notice Plate for Flexible Liner Product**

The Notice plate should be marked up in indelible ink and securely fixed in an unobtrusive but obvious position within the building such as:

- · Next to the electricity consumer unit.
- Next to the chimney installation described.
- · Next to the water supply stop-cock.

See example below:

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