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Section 717.5.4

Question:

Is it the intent of Exception 4 to require sheet metal from the air handler to the diffuser/grill?

Answer

Yes. The designer must take into account the need for all metal to save the expense of the damper.

Commentary:

The section is clear that the sheet steel duct must be continuous between the air outlet and inlet terminals.

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