**708.13 Refuse and laundry chutes.** Refuse and laundry chutes, access and termination rooms and incinerator rooms shall meet the requirements of Sections 708.13.1 through 708.13.6.

**Exception:** Chutes serving and contained within a single *dwelling unit*.

- **708.13.1 Refuse and laundry chute enclosures.** A shaft enclosure containing a refuse or laundry chute shall not be used for any other purpose and shall be enclosed in accordance with Section 708.4. Openings into the shaft, including those from access rooms and termination rooms, shall be protected in accordance with this section and Section 715. Openings into chutes shall not be located in *corridors*. Doors shall be self- or automatic-closing upon the actuation of a smoke detector in accordance with Section 715.4.8.3, except that heat-activated closing devices shall be permitted between the shaft and the termination room.
- **708.13.2 Materials.** A shaft enclosure containing a refuse or laundry chute shall be constructed of materials as permitted by the building type of construction.
- **708.13.3 Refuse and laundry chute access rooms.** Access openings for refuse and laundry chutes shall be located in rooms or compartments enclosed by not less than 1-hour *fire barriers* constructed in accordance with Section 707 or *horizontal assemblies* constructed in accordance with Section 712, or both. Openings into the access rooms shall be protected by opening protectives having a *fire protection rating* of not less than <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> hour. Doors shall be self- or automatic-closing upon the detection of smoke in accordance with Section 715.4.8.3.
- **708.13.4 Termination room.** Refuse and laundry chutes shall discharge into an enclosed room separated from the remainder of the building by not less than 1-hour *fire barriers* constructed in accordance with Section 707 or *horizontal assemblies* constructed in accordance with Section 712, or both. Openings into the termination room shall be protected by opening protectives having a *fire protection rating* of not less than <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> hour. Doors shall be self- or automatic-closing upon the detection of smoke in accordance with Section 715.4.8.3. Refuse chutes shall not terminate in an incinerator room. Refuse and laundry rooms that are not provided with chutes need only comply with Table 508.2.5.
- **708.13.5 Incinerator room.** Incinerator rooms shall comply with Table 508.2.5.
- **708.13.6 Automatic sprinkler system.** An *approved automatic sprinkler system* shall be installed in accordance with Section 903.2.11.2.
- **708.14 Elevator, dumbwaiter and other hoistways.** Elevator, dumbwaiter and other hoistway enclosures shall be constructed in accordance with Section 708 and Chapter 30.
  - **708.14.1 Elevator lobby.** An enclosed elevator lobby shall be provided at each floor where an elevator shaft enclosure connects more than three *stories*. The lobby enclosure shall separate the elevator shaft enclosure doors from each floor by *fire partitions*. In addition to the requirements in Section 709 for *fire partitions*, doors protecting openings in the elevator lobby enclosure walls shall also comply with Section 715.4.3 as required for *corridor* walls and penetrations of the elevator lobby