

#### UNVENTED (VENT FREE)

## GAS LOG HEATER

OWNER'S OPERATION AND **INSTALLATION MANUAL** 

ANSI Z21.11.2a-2003 ANSI Z21.60-2003 CSA 2.26-2003 APPROVED

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### VFRMV18NA, VFRMV18PA VFRMV24NA, VFRMV24PA

Vent-free Models Also Design--Certified As Vented Decorative Appliances

WARNING: If the information in this manual is not followed exactly, a fire or explosion may result causing property damage, personal injury, or loss of life.

- Do not store or use gasoline or other flammable vapors and liquids in the vicinity of this or any other appliance.
- WHAT TO DO IF YOU SMELL GAS
  - Do not try to light any appliance.
  - Do not touch any electrical switch; do not use any phone in your building.
  - Immediately call your gas supplier from a neighbor's phone. Follow the gas supplier's instructions.
  - If you cannot reach your gas supplier, call the fire department.
- Installation and service must be performed by a qualified installer, service agency, or the gas supplier.

WARNING: Improper installation, adjustment, alteration, service, or maintenance can cause injury or property damage. Refer to this manual for correct installation and operational procedures. For assistance or additional information consult a qualified installer, service agency, or the gas supplier.

WARNING: This appliance is for installation only in a solid-fuel burning masonry or UL127 factory-built fireplace, or in an approved vent less firebox. It is designcertified for these installations in accordance with ANSI Z21.11.2. Exception: do not install this appliance in a factory-built fireplace that includes instructions stating it has not been tested or should not be used with unvented logs.

WARNING: This is an unvented gas-fired heater. It uses air (oxygen) from the room in which it is installed. Provisions for adequate combustion and ventilation air must be provided. Refer to Air for combustion and Ventilation section on page 4 of this manual.

This appliance may be installed in an aftermarket,\* manufactured (mobile) home, where not prohibited by local codes.

This appliance is only for use with the type of gas indicated on the rating plate. This appliance is not convertible for use with other gases.

Warning: This product must be installed by a Licensed Plumber or Gas Fitter when installed within The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.



<sup>\*</sup> Aftermarket: Completion of sale, not for purpose of resale, from the manufacturer

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### SAFETY INFORMATION



## WARNINGS

IMPORTANT: Read this owner's manual carefully and completely before trying to assemble, operate, or service this log set. Improper use of this log set can cause serious injury or death from burns, fire, explosion, electrical shock, and carbon monoxide poisoning.

A DANGER: Carbon monoxide poisoning may lead to death!

Carbon Monoxide Poisoning: Early signs of carbon monoxide poisoning resemble the flu, with headaches, dizziness, or nausea. If you have these signs, the log set may not be working properly. Get fresh air at once! Have log set serviced. Some people are more affected by carbon monoxide than others. These include pregnant women, people with heart or lung disease or anemia, those under the influence of alcohol, and those at high altitudes.

Natural & LP Gas: Natural & LP gas are odorless. An odor-making agent is added to the gas. The odor helps you detect a gas leak. However, the odor added to the gas can fade. Gas may be present even though no odor exists

Make certain you read and understand all warnings. Keep this manual for reference. It is your guide to safe and proper operation of this log set.

MARNING: Any change to this log set or its controls can be dangerous.

**MARNING:** Do not use a blower insert, heat exchanger insert, or other accessory not approved for use with this appliance.

WARNING: This appliance is equipped with (natural or propane) gas. Field conversion is not permitted.

**MARNING:** Do not allow fans to blow directly into the fireplace. Avoid any drafts that alter burner flame patterns. Ceiling fans can create drafts that alter burner flame patterns. Altered burner patterns can cause sooting.

Due to high temperatures, the appliance should be located out of traffic and away from furniture and draperies.

Do not place clothing or other flammable material on or near the appliance. Never place any objects on the heater.

Heater assembly becomes very hot when running heater. Keep children and adults away from hot surface to avoid burns or clothing ignition. Heater will remain hot for a time after shutdown. Allow surface to cool before touching.

Carefully supervise young children when they are in the room with appliance. When using the hand-held remote accessory (Remote-Ready Models Only), keep selector switch in the OFF position to prevent children from turning on burners with remote.

You must operate this heater with a fireplace screen in place. Make sure fireplace screen is closed before running heater.

Keep the appliance area clear and free from combustible materials, gasoline, and other flammable vapors and liquids.

WARNING: Do not place log scraps or lava rocks on burner

Solid fuels shall not be burned in a fireplace in with an unvented room heater installed

Children and adults should be alerted to the hazard of high temperature and should stay away to avoid burns or clothing ignition.

## SAFETY INFORMATION Continued

- This appliance, as supplied, is only for use with the type of gas indicated on the rating plate. This appliance is not convertible for use with other gases.
- Do not place propane/LP supply tank(s) inside the structure.
   Locate propane/LP supply tank(s) outdoors (propane/LP units only).
- 3. If you smell gas
  - · shut off gas supply
  - · do not try to light any appliance
  - do not touch any electrical switch; do not use any phone in your building
  - immediately call your gas supplier from a neighbor's phone. Follow the gas supplier's instructions
  - · if you cannot reach your gas supplier, call the fire department
- This heater shall not be installed in a bedroom or bathroom, unless installed as a vented appliance. See *Installing Damper Clamp Acces*sory for Vented Operation, page 10.
- 5. Before installing in a solid fuel burning fireplace, the chimney flue and firebox must be cleaned of soot, creosote, ashes and loose paint by a qualified chimney cleaner. Creosote will ignite if highly heated. Inspect chimney flue for damage. If damaged, repair flue before operating appliance.
- 6. If fireplace has glass doors, never operate with glass doors closed, If you operate heater with doors closed, heat buildup inside fireplace will cause glass to burst. Also if fireplace opening has vents at the bottom, you must open the vents before operating heater.
- To prevent the creation of soot, follow the instructions in *cleaning and maintenance*, page 18.
- Before using furniture polish, wax, carpet cleaner, or similar products, turn heater off. If heated, the vapors from these products may create a white powder residue within the burner box or on adjacent walls and furniture.
- 9. This heater needs fresh, outside air ventilation to run properly this heater has an Oxygen Depletion Sensing (ODS) safety shutoff system. The ODS shuts down the heater if enough fresh air is not available. See Air Combustion and Ventilation pages 4 through 6. If the heater keeps shutting off, see Trouble shooting, pages 19 through 21.
- 10. Do not run heater
  - · where flammable liquids or vapors are used or stored
  - · under dusty conditions
- 11. Do not use heater to cook food or burn paper or other objects.
- 12. Do not use heater if any part has been exposed to or under water. Immediately call a qualified service technician to inspect the room heater and to replace any part of the control system and any gas control which has been under water.
- 13. Do not operate heater if any log is broken. Do not operate heater if a log is chipped (dime-size or larger).
- 14. Turn heater off and let cool before servicing, installing, or repair-

- ing. Make sure the selector switch is in the OFF position (Remote-Ready Models Only). Only a qualified service person should install, service, or repair heater.
- 15. Make sure the selector switch is in the OFF position when you are away from home for long periods of time (Remot-Ready Models Only).
- Remote-ready heaters shall not be connected to any external electrical source.
- Operating heater above elevations of 4,500 feet may cause pilot outage.
- 18. To prevent performance problems, do not use propane/LP tank(s) of less than 10 lb. capacity (propane/LP units only).
- 19. Provide adequate clearances around air openings.

WARNING: Failure to position the parts in accordance with these diagrams or failure to use only parts specifically approved with this heater may result in property damage, or personal injury.

#### LOCAL CODES

Install and use appliance with care. Follow all local codes. In the absence of local codes, use the latest edition of The National Fuel Gas Code ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54\*.

\*Available from:

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### PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

Log Set

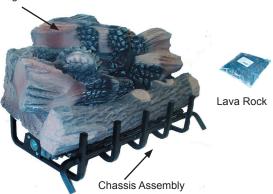


Figure 1 - Product Identification



## OPTIONAL REMOTE CONTROL ACCESSORIES

There are four optional remote controls that can be purchased separately for Remote-Ready Models Only:

Wall switch Hand-held ON/OFF remote

Wall thermostat Hand-held thermostat remote

See Accessories, page 27

The wall thermostat or hand-held thermostat may not be used where vented decorative listings is required.

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**Note:** Where listed vented decorative logs are required, thermostat operations is not permitted. The installation of appliances designed for manufactured home (U.S. only) or mobile home installation must conform with the Standard CAN/CSA z240 MH, Standard, Title 24 CFR, Part 3280, in the United States, or when such a Standard is not applicable, ANSI/NCSBCS A225.1/NFPA 501A Manufactured Home Installations Standard.

#### **UNPACKING**

CAUTION: Do not remove the data plates from the grate assembly. The data plates contain important warranty and safety information.

- Remove log set assembly from carton. Note: Do not pick up assembly by logs. This could damage the unit. Always handle assembly by grate.
- 2. Remove all protective packaging applied to log set for shipment.
- Check all items for any shipping damage. If damaged, promptly inform dealer where you bought appliance.

#### PRODUCT FEATURES

#### **OPERATION**

This heater is clean burning. It requires no outside venting. There is no heat loss out a vent or up a chimeney. Heat is generated by both realistic flames and glowing coals. This heater is designed for vent-free operation with flue damper closed. It has been tested and approved to ANSI Z21.11.2 standard for unvented heaters. State and local codes in some areas prohibit the use of vent-free heaters. This heater may also be operated as a vented decorative (ANSI Z21.60) product by opening the flue damper (Non-Thermosta models only).

### **SAFETY DEVICE**

This heater has a pilot with an Oxygen Depletion Sensing (ODS) safety shut off system. The ODS/pilot is a required feature for vent-free room heaters. The ODS/pilot shuts off the heater if there is not enough fresh air.

#### PIEZO IGNITION SYSTEM

This heater has a piezo ignitor. This system requires no matches, batteries, or other sources to light heater.

## AIR FOR COMBUSTION AND VENTILATION

**WARNING:** This heater shall not be installed in confined space or unusually tight construction unless provisions are provided for adequate combustion and ventilation air. Read the following instructions to insure proper fresh air for this and other fuel-burning appliances in your home.

Today's homes are built more energy efficient than ever. New materials, increased insulation, and new construction methods help reduce heat loss in homes. Home owners weather strip and caulk around windows and doors to keep the cold air out and the warm air in. During heating months, home owners want their homes as airtight as possible.

While it is good to make your home energy efficient, your home needs to breathe. Fresh air must enter your home. All fuel-burning appliances need fresh air for proper combustion and ventilation.

Exhaust fans, fireplaces, clothes dryers, and fuel burning appliances draw air from the house to operate. You must provide adequate fresh air for these appliances. This will insure proper venting of vented fuel-burning appliances.

## PROVIDING ADEQUATE VENTILATION

The following are excerpts from National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54, Section 5.3, Air for Combustion and Ventilation.

All spaces in homes fall into one of the three following ventilation classifications:

- 1. Unusually Tight Construction
- 2. Unconfined Space
- 3. Confined Space

The information on pages 4 through 6 will help you classify your space and provide adequate ventilation.

#### **Unusually Tight Construction**

The air that leaks around doors and windows may provide enough fresh air for combustion and ventilation. However, in buildings of unusually tight construction, you must provide additional fresh air.

#### AIR FOR COMBUSTION AND VENTILATION

Providing Adequate Ventilation (Cont.) Determining Fresh-Air Flow for Appliance Location

# AIR FOR COMBUSTION AND VENTILATION Continued

Unusually tight construction is defined as construction where:

- A.Walls and ceilings exposed to the outside atmosphere have a con tinuous water vapor retarder with a rating of one perm (6 x 10<sup>-11</sup> kg per pa-sec-m<sup>2</sup>) or less with openings gasketed or sealed and
- B. weather stripping has been added on openable windows and doors and
- C.caulking or sealants are applied to areas such as joints around window and door frames, between sole plates and floors, between wall-ceiling joints, between wall panels, at penetrations for plumbing, electrical, and gas lines, and at other openings.

If your home meets all of the three criteria above, you must provide ad ditional fresh air. See Ventilation Air From Outdoors, page 5.

If your home does not meet all of the three criteria above, proceed to Determining Fresh-Air Flow For Appliance Location, below.

Confined and Unconfined Space

The National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA54 defines a confined space as a space whose volume is less than 50 cubic feet per 1,000 Btu per hour (4.8 m³ per kw) of the aggregate input rating of all appliances installed in that space and an unconfined space as a space whose volume is not less than 50 cubic feet per 1,000 Btu per hour (4.8 m³ per kw) of the aggregate input

rating of all appliances installed in that space. Rooms communicating directly with the space in which the appliances are installed\*, through openings not furnished with doors, are considered a part of the unconfined space.

\*Adjoining rooms are communicating only if there are odorless passageways or ventilation grills between them.

## DETERMINING FRESH-AIR FLOW FOR APPLIANCE LOCATION

## Determining if You Have a Confined or Unconfined Space

Use this work sheet to determine if you have a confined or unconfined space.

**Space:** Includes the room in which you will install appliance plus any adjoining rooms with odorless passageways or ventilation grills between the rooms.

1.Determine	the	volume	of the	space	(length	x width	Х	height	)

Length x Width x Height = \_\_\_\_\_ cu. ft. (volume of space)

Example: Space size 20 ft. (length) x 16 ft. (width) x 8 ft. (ceiling height) 2560 cu. ft. (volume of space)

If additional ventilation to adjoining room is supplied with grills or openings, add the volume of these rooms to the total volume of the space.

2.Multiply the space	volume by	20 to	determine	the	maximum	Btu/Hr	the
space can support.							

\_\_\_\_\_(volume of space) x 20 = (Maximum Btu/Hr the space can support)

Example: 2560 cu. ft. (volume of space) x 20 = 51,200 (maximum Btu/Hr the space can support)

3.Add the Btu/Hr of all fuel burning appliances in the space.

Vent-free appliance		 Btu/Hr
Gas water appliance*		 Btu/Hr
Gas furnace		 Btu/Hr
Vented gas appliance		 Btu/Hr
Gas fireplace logs		 Btu/Hr
Other gas appliances*	+	 Btu/Hr
Total	=	 Btu/Hr

\* Do not include direct-vent gas appliances. Direct-vent draws combustion air from the outdoors and vents to the outdoors.

#### Example:

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air ventilation.

Gas water appliance	_	40,000	Btu/Hr
Vent-free appliance	+ _	33,000	Btu/H
Total	=	73,000	Btu/Hi

 Compare the maximum Btu/Hr the space can support with the actual amount of Btu/Hr used.

	Btu/Hr (maximum the space can support)
	Btu/Hr (actual amount of Btu/Hr used)
51,200 Btu/H	r (maximum the space can support)

73,000 Btu/Hr (actual amount of Btu/Hr used)

The space in the above example is a confined space because the actual Btu/Hr used is more than the maximum Btu/Hr the space can support. You must provide additional fresh air. Your options are as follows:

- A.Rework worksheet, adding the space of an adjoining room. If the extra space provides an unconfined space, remove door to adjoining room or add ventilation grills between rooms. See Ventilation Air From Inside Building, page 6.
- B.Vent room directly to the outdoors. See Ventilation Air From Outdoors, page 6.
- C.Install a lower Btu/Hr appliance, if lower Btu/Hr size makes room unconfined. If the actual Btu/Hr used is less than the maximum Btu/Hr the space can support, the space is an unconfined space. You will need no additional fresh

WARNING: If the area in which the appliance may be operated is smaller than that defined as an unconfined space or if the building is of unusually tight construction, provide adequate combustion and ventilation air by one of the methods described in the National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54 Section 5.3 or applicable local codes.



## AIR FOR COMBUSTION AND VENTILATION

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#### **VENTILATION AIR**

#### **Ventilation Air From Inside Building**

This fresh air would come from an adjoining unconfined space. When ventilating to an adjoining unconfined space, you must provide two permanent openings: one within 12" of the ceiling and one within 12" of the floor on the wall connecting the two spaces (see options 1 and 2, Figure 2). You can also remove door into adjoining room (see option 3, Figure 2). Follow the National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54, Section 5.3, Air for Combustion and Ventilation for required size of ventilation grills or ducts.

#### **Ventilation Air From Outdoors**

Provide extra fresh air by using ventilation grills or ducts. You must provide two permanent openings: one within 12" of the ceiling and one within 12" of the floor. Connect these items directly to the outdoors or spaces open to the outdoors. These spaces include attics and crawl spaces. Follow the National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54, Section 5.3, Air for Combustion and Ventilation for required size of ventilation grills or ducts.

IMPORTANT: Do not provide openings for inlet or outlet air into attic if attic has a thermostat-controlled power vent. Heated air entering the attic will activate the power vent.

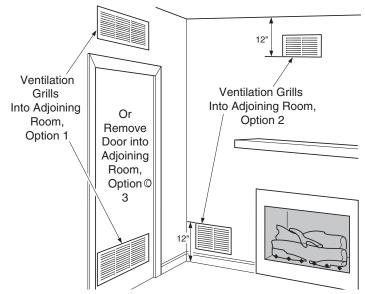


Figure 2 - Ventilation Air from Inside Building

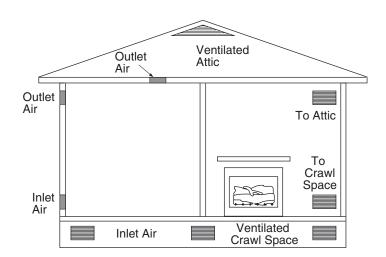


Figure 3 - Ventilation Air from Outdoors

NOTICE: this heater is intended for use as supplemental heat. Use this heater along with your primary heating system. Do not install this heater as your primary heating source. If you have a central heating system, you may run system's circulating blower while using heater. This will help circulate the heat throughout the house. In event of a power outage, you can use this heater as your primary heat source.

WARNING: A qualified service person must install heater. Follow all local codes.

NOTICE: State or local codes may only allow operation of this appliance in a vented configuration. Check your state or local codes.

WARNING: Make sure the selector switch is in the OFF position before installing heater.

WARNING: Before installing in a solid fuel burning fireplace, the chimney flue and firebox must be cleaned of soot, creosote, ashes and loose paint by a qualified chimney cleaner. Creosote will ignite if highly heated. A dirty chimney flue may create and distribute soot within the house. Inspect chimney flue for damage. If damaged, repair flue damper before operating appliance.

WARNING: Seal any fresh air vents or ash clean-out doors located on floor or wall of fireplace. If not, drafting may cause pilot outage or sooting. Use a heat-ressistant sealant. Do not seal chimney flue damper.

WARNING: Never install the heater

- in a bedroom or bathroom unless installed as a vented appliannce, see page 10
- in a recreational vehicle
- where curtains, furniture, clothing, or other flammable objects are

Less than 42 inches from the front, top, or sides of heater

- in high traffic areas
- in windy or drafty areas

A CAUTION: This heater creates warm air currents. These currents move heat to wall surfaces next to heater. Installing heater next to vinyl or cloth wall coverings or operating heater where impurities (such as, but not limited to, tobacco smoke, aromatic candles, cleaning fluids, oil or kerosene lamps, etc..) in the air exist, may discolor walls or cause odors.

**IMPORTANT:** Vent-free heaters add moisture to the air. Although this is beneficial, installing heater in rooms withought enough ventilation air may cause mildew to form from too much moisture. See *Air for Combustion and Ventilation*, pages 4 through 6.

#### **CHECK GAS TYPE**

Use the correct gas type (natural or propane/LP) for your unit. If your gas supply is not correct, do not instal in fireplace. Call dealer where you bought the appliance for proper type of appliance.

## INSTALLATION AND CLEARANCES FOR VENT-FREE OPERATION

WARNING: Maintain the minimum clearances. If you can, provide greater clearences from floor, ceiling, and adjoining

MINIMUM FIREPLACE CLEARANCE TO COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS			
LOG SIZE	18", 24"		
SIDE WALL	16"		
CEILING	42"		
FLOOR	5"		

LOG SIZING REQUIREMENTS				
LOG	MINIMUM FIREBOX SIZE			
SIZE	HEIGHT	DEPTH	FRONT WIDTH	REAR WIDTH
18"	18"	14"	30"	20.5"
24"	18"	14"	30"	24.5"

<sup>\*</sup>Measured at 14" depth

Allow adequate clearences for accessibility for purposes of servicing and proper operation



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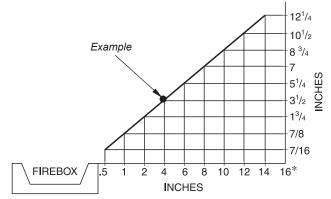
Care fully follow the instructions below. This will ensure safe installation into masonary, UL127-listaed manufactured fireplace, or listed vent-free firebox.

## Minimum Clearances For Side Combustible material, side wall, and ceiling

A. Clearances from the side of the fireplace cabinet to any combustible material and wall should follow diagram in figure 4.

**Example:** The face of a mantel, bookshelf, etc.. is made of combustible material must be 4" from the side of the fireplace to the cabinet (see figure 4).

B. Clearances from the top of the fireplace opening to the ceiling should not be less than 42 inches.



<sup>\*</sup>Minimum 16 inches from Side Wall

Figure 4 - Minimum Clearance for Combustible to Wall

NOTICE: Non thermostat controlled heaters maybe used as a vented product. If so, you must always run heater with chimney flue damper open, noncombustible material above the fireplace opening is not needed. Go to *Installing Damper Clamp Accessory for vented operation*.

## Minimum Noncombustible material Clearences

#### **If Not Using Mantel**

Note: If using a mantel proceed to *If Using Mantel*. If not using mantel, follow the information on this page.

You must have non-combustible material(s) above the fireplace opening. Non-combustible materials (such as slate, marble, tile, etc..) Must be at least 1/2 inch thick. With sheet metal, you must have non-combustible material behind it. Non-combustible material must extend at least 8" up (for all models). If non-combustible material is less than 12", you must install the fireplace hood accessory (24" and 30" Models Only). See Figure 5 for minimum clearances.

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IMPORTANT: If you cannot meet these minimum clearances, you must operate heater with chimney flue damper open. Go to Installing Damper Clamp Accessory for Vented Operation, page 10.

Noncombustible Material Distance (A)	Requirements for Safe Installation
12" or more	Non-combustible material OK.
Between 8" and 12"	24" Models: Install fireplace hood accessory (GA6060, see Accessories, page 27).
	18" Model: Non-combustible material OK.
Less than 8"	Non-combustible material must be extended to at least 8". See Between 8" and 12", above. If you cannot extend material, you must operate heater with flue damper open.

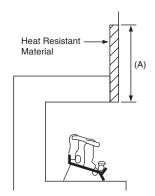


Figure 5 - Heat Resistant Material (Slate, Marble, Tile, etc.) Above Fireplace

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#### MANTEL CLEARANCES

In addition to meeting non-combustible material clearances, you must also meet required clearances between fireplace opening and mantel shelf. If you do not meet the clearances listed below, you will need a hood.

### **Determining Minimum Mantel Clearance**

If you meet minimum clearance between mantel shelf and top of fireplace opening, a hood is not required (see Figure 6).

## Determining Minimum Mantel Clearance When Using a Hood

If minimum clearances in Figure 6 are not met, you must have a hood. When using a hood there are still certain minimum mantel clearances required. Follow minimum clearances shown in Figure 7 when using hood.

NOTICE: Surface temperatures of adjacent walls and mantels become hot during operation. Walls and mantels above the firebox may become hot to the touch. If installed properly, these temperatures meet the requirement of the national product standard. Follow all minimum clearances shown in this manual.

NOTICE: If your installation does not meet the minimum clearances shown, you must do one of the following:

- · operate the logs only with the flue damper open
- · raise the mantel to an acceptable height
- remove the mantel

#### FLOOR CLEARANCES

- A. If installing appliance on the floor level, you must maintain the minimum distance of 14" to combustibles (see Figure 8).
- B. If combustible materials are less than 14" to the fireplace, you must install appliance at least 5" above the combustible flooring (See Figure 9).

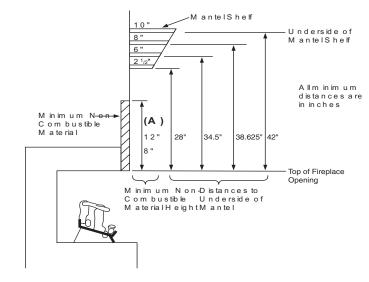


Figure 6 - Minimum Mantel Clearances Without Using Hood

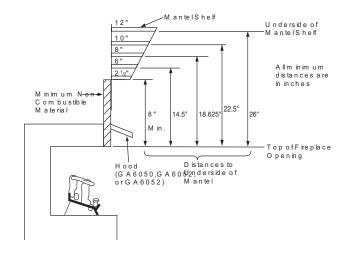


Figure 7 - Minimum Mantel Clearances When Using Hood

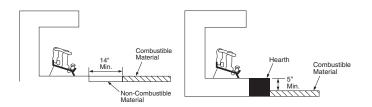


Figure 8 - Minimum Fireplace Clearances If Installed at Floor Level

Figure 9 - Minimum Fireplace Clearances Above Combustible Flooring



Installing Damper Clamp Accessory for Vented Operation Installing Heater Assembly

#### INSTALLATION

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## INSTALLING DAMPER CLAMP ACCESSORY FOR VENTED OPERATION

Note: When used as a vented decorative, appliance must be installed only in a solid-fuel burning fireplace with a working flue and constructed of non-combustible material.

If your heater is a non-thermostatically-controlled model, you may use this heater as a vented product. There are three reasons for operating your heater in the vented mode.

- The fireplace does not meet the clearance to combustibles requirements for vent-free operation.
- 2. State or local codes do not permit vent-free operation.
- 3. You prefer vented operation.

If reasons number 1 or 2 above apply to you, you must permanently open chimney flue damper. You must install the damper clamp accessory (to order, see Accessories, page 27). This will insure vented operation (see Figure 10). The damper clamp will keep damper open. Installation instructions are included with clamp accessory.

See chart below for minimum permanent flue opening you must provide. Attach damper clamp so the minimum permanent flue opening will be maintained at all times.

Area of Various Standard		
Round	d Flues	
Diameter (ins.)	Area (sq. ins.)	
5" 6" 7" 8"	20 sq. inches 29 sq. inches 39 sq. inches 51 sq. inches	

Chimney Height (ft.)	Minimum Permanent Flue Opening (sq. ins.)
6' to 15' 15' to 30'	39 sq. inches 29 sq. inches
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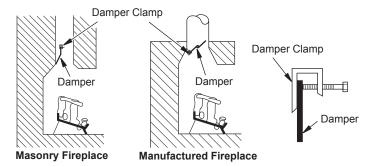


Figure 10 - Attaching Damper Clamp

#### **INSTALLING HEATER ASSEMBLY**

WARNING: If installing in a sunken fireplace, special care is needed. You must raise the fireplace floor to allow access to heater control panel. This will insure adequate air flow and guard against sooting. Raise fireplace floor with non-combustible material. Make sure material is secure.

CAUTION: Do not pick up heater assembly by logs. This could damage unit. Only handle assembly by grates.

IMPORTANT: Make sure the heater burners are level. If heater is not level, heater will not work properly.

Installation Items Needed

- · control cover kit (provided with heater)
- approved flexible gas hose and fittings (provided with heater) (if allowed by local codes)
- · sealant (resistant to propane/LP gas, not provided)

Note: Install optional GHRCTA Receiver and Hand-Held Remote Control Kit (see Accessories, page 27) before installing gas log heater (Remote-Ready Models Only). See installation instructions included with the kit.

- Apply pipe joint sealant lightly to male threads of gas fitting (not provided). Connect approved flexible gas hose to inlet side of gas control (see Figure 11).
- 2. Position heater assembly in fireplace.
- Connect to gas supply. See Connecting To Gas Supply, (see Figure 12, page 11).

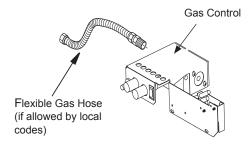


Figure 11 - Attaching Flexible Gas Hose to Heater Gas Regulator

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WARNING: This appliance requires a 3/8" NPT (National Pipe Thread) inlet connection to the pressure regulator.

WARNING: A qualified service person must connect heater to gas supply. Follow all local codes.

CAUTION: Never connect propane/LP fireplace directly to the propane/LP supply. This heater requires an external regulator (not supplied). Install the external regulator between the heater and propane/LP supply.

WARNING: Never connect natural gas fireplace to private (non-utility) gas wells. This gas is commonly known as wellhead gas.

#### Installation Items Needed

Before installing heater, make sure you have the items listed below.

- external regulator (supplied by installer)
- · piping (check local codes)
- · sealant (resistant to propane/LP gas)
- · equipment shutoff valve \*
- test gauge connection \*
- · sediment trap
- · tee joint
- · pipe wrench
- approved flexible gas line with gas connector (if allowed by local codes) (provided)
- \* A CSA design-certified equipment shutoff valve with 1/8" NPT tap is an acceptable alternative to test gauge connection. Purchase the optional CSA design-certified equipment shutoff valve from your dealer. See Accessories, page 27.

For propane/LP units, the installer must supply an external regulator. The external regulator will reduce incoming gas pressure. You must reduce incoming gas pressure to between 11 and 14 inches of water. If you do not reduce incoming gas pressure, heater regulator damage could occur. Install external regulator with the vent pointing down as shown in Figure 12. Pointing the vent down protects it from freezing rain or sleet.

CAUTION: Use only new, black iron or steel pipe. Internally-tinned copper tubing may be used in certain areas. Check your local codes. Use pipe of 1/2" diameter or greater to allow proper gas volume to heater. If pipe is too small, undue loss of volume will occur.

#### CONNECTING TO GAS SUPPLY

Installation must include an equipment shutoff valve, union, and plugged 1/8" NPT tap. Locate NPT tap within reach for test gauge hook up. NPT tap must be upstream from heater (see Figure 13 page 12, depending on your model).

IMPORTANT: Install equipment shutoff valve in an accessible location. The equipment shutoff valve is for turning on or shutting off the gas to the appliance.

Apply pipe joint sealant lightly to male NPT threads. This will prevent excess sealant from going into pipe. Excess sealant in pipe could result in clogged heater valves.

WARNING: Use pipe joint sealant that is resistant to liquid petroleum (LP) gas.

We recommend that you install a sediment trap in supply line as shown in Figure 13 page 12, depending on your model. Locate sediment trap where it is within reach for cleaning. Install in piping system between fuel supply and heater. Locate sediment trap where trapped matter is not likely to freeze. A sediment trap traps moisture and contaminants. This keeps them from going into heater controls. If sediment trap is not installed or is installed wrong, heater may not run properly.

CAUTION: Avoid damage to gas control. Hold gas control with wrench when connecting it to gas piping and/or fittings.

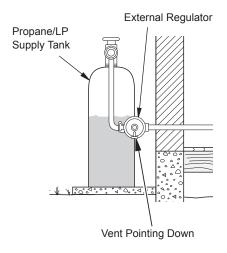


Figure 12 - External Regulator With Vent Pointing Down



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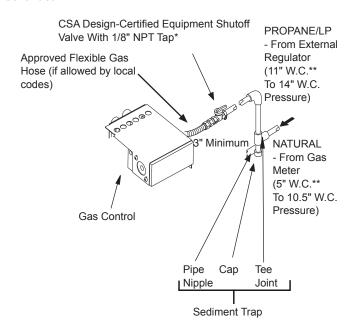


Figure 13 - Gas Connection (Remote-Ready Models Only)

- Purchase the optional CSA design-certified equipment shutoff valve from your dealer. See Accessories, page 27.
- \*\*Minimum inlet pressure for purpose of input adjustment.

WARNING: Test all gas piping and connections for leaks after installing or servicing. Correct all leaks at once.

WARNING: Never use an open flame to check for a leak. Apply a noncorrosive leak detection fluid to all joints. Bubbles forming show a leak. Correct all leaks at once.

CAUTION: Make sure external regulator has been installed between propane/LP supply and heater. See guidelines under Connecting to Gas Supply, page 11.

#### CHECKING GAS CONNECTIONS

Pressure Testing gas Supply Piping system

Test Pressures In Excess Of 1/2 PSIG (3.5 kPa)

- Disconnect appliance with its appliance main gas valve (control valve) and equipment shutoff valve from gas supply piping system. Pressures in excess of 1/2 psig will damage heater regulator.
- Cap off open end of gas pipe where equipment shutoff valve was connected.

- Pressurize supply piping system by either opening propane/LP supply tank valve for propane/LP gas or opening main gas valve located on or near gas meter for natural gas, or using compressed air.
- Check all joints of gas supply piping system. Apply noncorrosive leak detection fluid to all joints. Bubbles forming show a leak.
- 5. Correct all leaks at once.
- Reconnect heater and equipment shutoff valve to gas supply. Check reconnected fittings for leaks.

Test Pressures Equal To or Less Than 1/2 PSIG (3.5 kPa)

- 1. Close equipment shutoff valve (see Figure 14).
- Pressurize supply piping system by either opening propane/LP supply tank valve for propane/LP gas or opening main gas valve located on or near gas meter for natural gas, or using compressed air.
- Check all joints from gas meter to equipment shutoff valve for natural gas or propane/LP supply to equipment shutoff valve for propane/LP (see Figure 15, page 13). Apply noncorrosive leak detection fluid to all joints. Bubbles forming show a leak.
- 4. Correct all leaks at once.

Pressure Testing Heater Gas Connections

- 1. Open equipment shutoff valve (see Figure 14).
- Open main gas valve located on or near gas meter for natural gas or open propane/LP supply tank valve.
- 3. Make sure control knob of heater is in the OFF position.
- Check all joints from equipment shutoff valve to gas control (see Figures 15 and 16 page 13). Apply noncorrosive leak detection fluid to all joints. Bubbles forming show a leak.
- 5. Correct all leaks at once.
- Light heater (see Operating Heater, pages 14 through 16). Check all other internal joints for leaks.
- 7. Turn off heater.

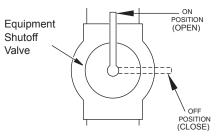


Figure 14 - Equipment Shutoff Valve

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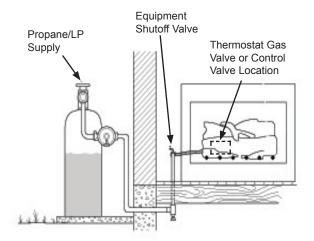


Figure 15 - Checking Gas Joints (propane/LP only)

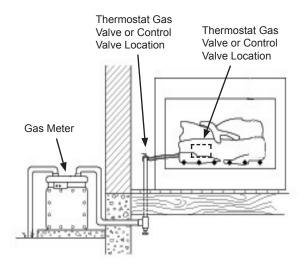


Figure 16 - Checking Gas Joints (Natural Gas Only)

#### **OPERATING HEATER (REMOTE-READY MODELS)**

For Your Safety Read Before Lighting Lighting Instructions

#### **OPERATING HEATER**

#### **REMOTE-READY MODELS**

## FOR YOUR SAFETY READ BEFORE LIGHTING

WARNING: If you do not follow these instructions exactly, a fire or explosion may result causing property damage, personal injury or loss of life.

- A. This appliance has a pilot which must be lighted by hand. When lighting the pilot, follow these instructions exactly.
- B. BEFORE LIGHTING smell all around the appliance area for gas. Be sure to smell next to the floor because some gas is heavier than air and will settle on the floor.

#### WHAT TO DO IF YOU SMELL GAS

- · Do not try to light any appliance.
- Do not touch any electric switch; do not use any phone in your building.
- Immediately call your gas supplier from a neighbor's phone. Follow the gas supplier's instructions.
- · If you cannot reach your gas supplier, call the fire department.
- C. Use only your hand to push in or turn the gas control knob. Never use tools. If the knob will not push in or turn by hand, don't try to repair it, call a qualified service technician or gas supplier. Force or attempted repair may result in a fire or explosion.
- D. Do not use this appliance if any part has been under water. Immediately call a qualified service technician to inspect the appliance and to replace any part of the control system and any gas control which has been under water.

#### LIGHTING INSTRUCTIONS



- If fireplace has glass doors, never operate this heater with glass doors closed. If you operate heater with doors closed, heat buildup inside fireplace will cause glass to burst. Also if fireplace opening has vents at the bottom, you must open the vents before operating heater.
- You must operate this heater with a fireplace screen in place.
   Make sure fireplace screen is closed before running heater.

NOTICE: During initial operation of new heater, burning logs will give off a paper-burning smell. Orange flame will also be present. Open damper or window to vent smell. This will only last a few hours.

Note: Home owners generally prefer to operate their heater with the chimney damper closed. This will put all the heat into the room. However, there may be times you will desire the full flames of the HI heat setting but will find the heat output excessive. You can open the chimney damper (if you have one) fully or partially to release some of the heat.

WARNING: Damper handle will be hot if heater has been running.

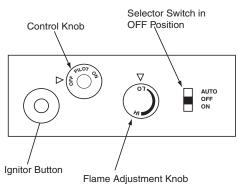


Figure 17 - Control Knob and Ignitor Button Location, Manual Controlled

- STOP! Read the safety information, starting in column 1, of this page.
- 2. Make sure equipment shutoff valve is fully open.
- 3. Set selector switch in the OFF position.
- Press in and turn control knob clockwise to the OFF position (see Figure 17).

WARNING: Burners will come on automatically within one minute when the selector switch is in the ON position after the pilot is lit.

- Wait five (5) minutes to clear out any gas. Then smell for gas, including near the floor. If you smell gas, STOP! Follow "B" in the safety information, starting in column 1 of this page. If you don't smell gas, go to the next step.
- 6. Press in and turn control knob counterclockwise to the PILOT position. Press in control knob for five (5) seconds (see Figure 17).
  Note: You may be running this heater for the first time after hooking up to gas supply. If so, the control knob may need to be pressed in for 30 seconds or more. This will allow air to bleed from the gas system.
- With control knob pressed in, press and release ignitor button. This will light pilot. The pilot is attached to the front burner. If needed, keep

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#### **OPERATING HEATER**

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pressing ignitor button until pilot lights.

Note: If pilot does not stay lit, contact a qualified service person or gas supplier for repairs. Until repairs are made, light pilot with match. To light pilot with match, see Manual Lighting Procedure, column 2.

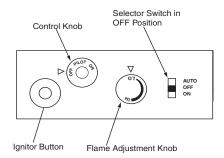
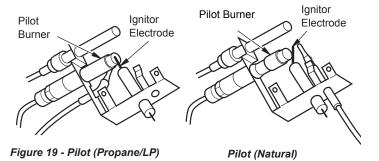


Figure 18 - Control Knob and Ignitor Button Location, Remote Ready Controlled

- Keep control knob pressed in for 30 seconds after lighting pilot. After 30 seconds, release control knob.
  - If control knob does not pop out when released, contact a qualified service person or gas supplier for repairs.
    - Note: If pilot goes out, repeat steps 4 through 8, pages 14 & 15.
- Slightly push in and turn control knob counterclockwise to the ON position.
- Wait one minute and switch selector switch to the ON position to light burners. Note: AUTO is only functional when using GWMT1 or GWMS2 optional accessories.
- 11. Set flame adjustment knob to any level between HI and LO.

CAUTION: Do not try to adjust heating levels by using the equipment shutoff valve.

WARNING: Make sure the selector switch is in the OFF position when you are away from home for long periods of time. Heater will come on automatically with selector switch in the ON position.



#### TO TURN OFF GAS TO APPLIANCE

### Shutting Off Heater

- Turn control knob clockwise to the OFF position.
- 2a. Set selector switch in the OFF position.
- 2b. If Using Optional Hand-Held Remote: Set selector switch in the OFF position to prevent draining battery.

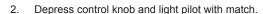
#### Shutting Off Burner Only (pilot stays lit)

You may shut off the burners and keep the pilot lit by doing one of the following:

- 1. Turn control knob clockwise \( \) to the PILOT position.
- 2. Use remote control manual OFF button.
- 3. Set selector switch in the OFF position.

### MANUAL LIGHTING PROCEDURE





 Keep control knob pressed in for 30 seconds after lighting pilot. After 30 seconds, release control knob. Now follow steps 9 through 11, Lighting Instructions, column 1.

#### REMOTE CONTROL OPERATION

#### Remote Control Operation

#### **GHRCB Series Operation:**

After lighting, let pilot flame burn for about one minute. Turn control knob
to ON position. Adjust flame adjustment knob anywhere between HI
and LO. Slide the selector switch to the REMOTE position. Note: The
burners may light if hand-held remote ON button was on when selector
switch was last turned off. You can now turn the burners on and off with
the hand-held remote control unit.



### **OPERATING HEATER**

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IMPORTANT: Do not leave the selector switch in the REMOTE or ON position when the pilot is not lit. This will drain the battery.

Press the ON/OFF button to turn the burners on and off. When turning burners off, the pilot will remain lit.

IMPORTANT: Be sure to press the ON/OFF buttons on the handheld remote control unit for up to 3 seconds to assure proper operation.

Note: All additional remote control accessories must be purchased separately (see Accessories, page 27). Follow instructions included with the remote control.

#### **Thermostat Control Operation**

(Optional GHRCTB Series Only) The thermostat control setting on the remote control unit can be set to any comfort level between WARMER and COOLER. The burners will turn on and off automatically to maintain the comfort level you select. The ideal comfort setting will vary by household depending upon the amount of space to be heated, the output of the central heating system, etc.

For wall thermostat operation, follow instruction supplied with thermostat accessory GWMT1. For wall switch operation follow instructions supplied with GWMS2.

NOTICE: You must light the pilot before using the remote control unit. See *Lighting Instructions* on page 14.

#### **GHRCTB Series Operation:**

- Press the AUTO/ON/OFF button on the hand-held remote control (see Figure 21). The lights to the left of the button will show AUTO, ON, or OFF.
  - In the ON mode, the burners will ignite. The heater is in manual mode when ON is lit.
  - In the AUTO mode, the thermostat in the hand-held remote unit controls the room temperature. To increase the room temperature, press the top arrow of the TEMP button. To lower the room temperature, press the bottom arrow of the TEMP button. At higher settings the heater will run longer.

IMPORTANT: This remote control has been specially engineered to take an air temperature sample every 5.5 minutes in the auto mode. It will not respond immediately to the temperature setting being turned up or down.

IMPORTANT: The hand-held remote control unit must be near the heater. Do not keep the hand-held remote control unit too close to the heater. The thermostat on the hand-held remote control unit will heat up too quickly and turn the heater off.

To turn the burner off, press the AUTO/ON/OFF button until OFF lights. The pilot will remain lit. IMPORTANT: To turn the pilot off, manually turn the control knob on the heater to the OFF position.

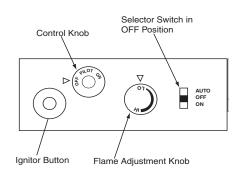


Figure 20 - Setting the Selector switch, Control Knob, and Flame Adjustment Knob for Remote Operation

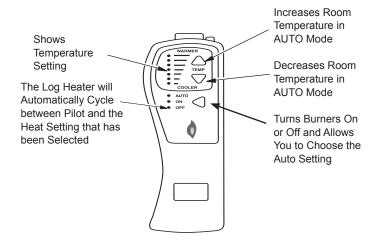


Figure 21 - Thermostat Hand-Held Remote Control Unit Selections (GHRCTB Only)

### **INSPECTING BURNERS**

Check pilot flame pattern and burner flame patterns often.

#### PILOT FLAME PATTERN

Figure 22 shows a correct pilot flame pattern. Figure 23 shows an incorrect pilot flame pattern. The incorrect pilot flame is not touching the thermocouple. This will cause the thermocouple to cool. When the thermocouple cools, the heater will shut down.

If pilot flame pattern is incorrect, as shown in Figure 23

- turn heater off (see To Turn Off Gas to Appliance, page 15 (Remote-Ready Models])
- · see Troubleshooting, pages 19 through 21

*Note:* The pilot flame on natural gas units will have a slight curve, but flame should be blue and have no yellow or orange color.

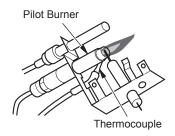


Figure 22 - Correct Pilot Flame Pattern (Your pilot may vary from pilots shown)

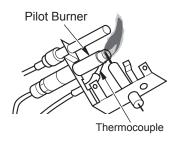


Figure 23 - Incorrect Pilot Flame Pattern (Your pilot may vary from pilots shown)

#### **BURNER FLAME PATTERN**

Figure 24 shows correct burner flame pattern.

NOTICE: Do not mistake orange flames with yellow tipping. Dirt or other fine particles are burned by heater, causing brief patches of orange flame.

If burner flame pattern is incorrect, as shown in Figure 25

- turn heater off (see To Turn Off Gas to Appliance, page 15)
- see Troubleshooting, pages 19 through 21

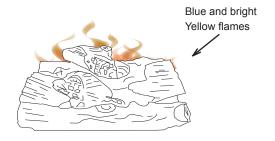


Figure 24 - Correct Burner Flame Pattern

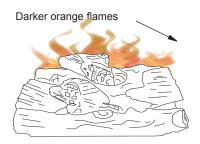


Figure 25 - Incorrect Burner Flame Pattern

The flames from the burner travel horizontally through the log set and emerge at the middle and rear of the set against the back logs.

The flames are blue off the burner and as they progress through the log set, change to a light yellow color, yellow decorative flames are visible as the flames exit the log set.

The base of the log set and the underside of the top logs glow red. Natural gas models will burn with more blue flame, while propane gas model will burn with bright yellow flame.



#### CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

MARNING: Turn off heater and let cool before cleaning.

CAUTION: You must keep control areas, burners, and circulating air passageways of heater clean. Inspect these areas of heater before each use. Have heater inspected yearly by a qualified service person. Heater may need more frequent cleaning due to excessive lint from carpeting, pet hair, bedding material, etc.

### **CLEANING BURNER INJECTOR HOLDER** AND PILOT AIR INLET HOLE

The primary air inlet opening allow the proper amount of air to mix with the gas. This provides a clean burning flame. Keep these holes clear of dust, dirt, lint, and pet hair. Clean these air inlet opening prior to each heating season. Blocked air opening will create soot. We recommend that you clean the unit every three months during operation and have heater inspected yearly by a qualified service person.

We also recommend that you keep the burner tube and pilot assembly clean and free of dust and dirt. To clean these parts we recommend using compressed air no greater than 30 PSI. Your local computer store, hardware store, or home center may carry compressed air in a can. You can use a vacuum cleaner in the blow position. If using compressed air in a can, please follow the directions on the can. If you don't follow directions on the can, you could damage the pilot assembly.

- Shut off the unit, including the pilot. Allow the unit to cool for at least 1. thirty minutes.
- Inspect burner, pilot, and primary air inlet opening on injector holder for dust and dirt (see Figure 26).
- Blow air through the ports/slots and holes in the burner. 3.
- Check the injector holder located at the end of the burner tube again. Remove any large particles of dust, dirt, lint, or pet hair with a soft cloth or vacuum cleaner nozzle.
- Blow air into the primary air opening on the injector holder.
- In case any large clumps of dust have now been pushed into the burner repeat steps 3 and 4.

Clean the pilot assembly also. A yellow tip on the pilot flame indicates dust and dirt in the pilot assembly. There is a small pilot air inlet hole about two inches from where the pilot flame comes out of the pilot assembly (see Figure 27). With the unit off, lightly blow air through the air inlet hole. You may blow through a drinking straw if compressed air is not available.

WARNING: Failure to keep the primary air openings of the burner clean may result in sooting and property damage.

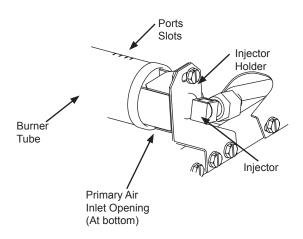


Figure 26 - Injector Holder On Outlet Burner Tube

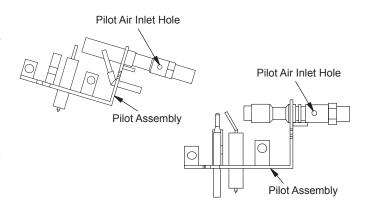


Figure 27 - Pilot Inlet Air Hole (Your pilot may vary from pilots shown)

#### TROUBLESHOOTING

Note: For additional help, visit DESA technical service web site at www.desatech.com.

Note: All troubleshooting items are listed in order of operation.

### **POSSIBLE CAUSE**

heater.

**REMEDY** 

pilot unit.

#### OBSERVED PROBLEM

When ignitor button is pressed, there is no spark at ODS/pilot

Ignitor electrode not connected to ignitor cable

WARNING: Turn off and un-

plug heater and let cool before

servicing. Only a qualified service

person should service and repair

- Ignitor cable pinched or wet
- 3. Piezo ignitor nut is loose
- 4. Broken ignitor cable
- 5. Bad piezo ignitor
- 6. Ignitor electrode positioned wrong or broken

- 1. Reconnect ignitor cable
- 2. Free ignitor cable if pinched by any metal or tubing. Keep ignitor cable dry

A CAUTION: Never use a wire,

needle, or similar object to clean

ODS/pilot. This can damage ODS/

- 3. Tighten nut holding piezo ignitor to base panel of log set. Nut is located behind base panel.
- 4. Replace ignitor cable
- 5. Replace piezo ignitor
- Replace pilot assembly for remote-ready units; Replace ignitor electrode for variable manually controlled units

When ignitor button is pressed, there is spark at ODS/pilot but no ignition

- 1. Gas supply turned off or equipment shutoff valve closed
- 2. Control knob not in PILOT position
- 3. Control knob not pressed in while in PILOT
- 4. Air in gas lines when installed
- 5. Depleted gas supply (propane/LP only)
- 6. ODS/pilot is clogged
- 7. Gas regulator setting is not correct

- 1. Turn on gas supply or open equipment shutoff
- 2. Turn control knob to PILOT position
- 3. Press in control knob while in PILOT po-
- 4. Continue holding down control knob. Repeat igniting operation until air is removed
- 5. Contact local propane/LP gas company
- 6. Clean ODS/pilot (see Cleaning and Maintenance, page 18) or replace ODS/pilot assembly
- 7. Replace gas regulator

ODS/pilot lights but flame goes out when control knob is released

- 1. Control knob not fully pressed in
- 2. Control knob not pressed in long enough
- 3. Safety interlock system has been triggered
- 4. Equipment shutoff valve not fully open
- 5. Pilot flame not touching thermocouple, which allows thermocouple to cool, causing pilot flame to go out. This problem could be caused by one or both of the following:
  - A) Low gas pressure
  - B) Dirty or partially clogged ODS/pilot
- 6. Thermocouple connection loose at control
- 7. Thermocouple damaged
- 8. Control valve damaged

- 1. Press in control knob fully
- 2. After ODS/pilot lights, keep control knob pressed in 30 seconds
- 3. Wait one minute for safety interlock system to reset. Repeat ignition operation
- 4. Fully open equipment shutoff valve
- 5. A) Contact local natural or propane/LP gas company
  - B) Clean ODS/pilot (see Cleaning and Maintenance, page 18) or replace ODS/pilot assembly
- 6. Hand tighten until snug, then tighten 1/4 turn more
- 7. Replace pilot assembly
- 8. Replace control valve



### **TROUBLESHOOTING**

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OBSERVED PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	REMEDY
One or both burner does not light after ODS/pilot is lit	Inlet gas pressure is too low	Contact local natural or propane/LP gas com- pany
	2. Burner orifice(s) clogged	Clean burner(s) (see Cleaning and Maintenance, page 18) or replace burner orifice(s)     Contact qualified service person
	Mislocated crossover tube	Replace burner orifice(s)
	Burner orifice(s) diameter is too small	Neplace burner office(s)     Put remote selector in ON position
	5. Remote selector in OFF position (Remote-	o. Tat formate delector in our position
	Ready Models Only)	6. See Wiring Diagram, page 23
	6. Wire disconnected from gas control (Remote-	o. God Willing Blagfalli, page 25
	Ready Models Only)	
Delayed ignition of burner	Manifold pressure is too low	Contact local natural or propane/LP gas com-
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	Burner orifice(s) clogged	<ol> <li>Clean burner(s) (see Cleaning and Mainte- nance, page 18) or replace burner orifice(s)</li> </ol>
		3. Contact qualified service person  3. Contact qualified service person
	Mislocated crossover tube	3. Contact qualified service person
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Burner backfiring during combustion	1. Burner orifice is clogged or damaged	1. Clean burner (see Cleaning and Mainte-
		nance, page 18) or replace burner orifice
		Replace damaged burner
	2. Damaged burner	Replace gas regulator
	Gas regulator defective	
Orange flame in burner during burner combustion	1. Not enough air	<ol> <li>Check burner(s) for dirt and debris. If found, clean burner(s) (see Cleaning and Mainte- nance, page 18)</li> </ol>
	2. Gas regulator defective	Replace gas regulator
Slight smoke or odor during initial operation	Residues from manufacturing processes and logs curing	Problem will stop after a few hours of operation
Heater produces a whistling noise when burn-	1. Turning control knob to HI position when burn-	Turn control knob to LO position and let warm
ers are lit	ers are cold	up for a minute
	2. Air in gas line	2. Operate burners until air is removed from
		line. Have gas line checked by local natural
		or propane/LP gas company
	Air passageways on heater blocked	<ol><li>Observe minimum installation clearances (see pages 7 through 10)</li></ol>
	Dirty or partially clogged burner orifice(s)	<ol> <li>Clean burners (see Cleaning and Mainte- nance, page 18) or replace burner orifice(s)</li> </ol>
White powder residue forming within burner box or on adjacent walls or furniture	When heated, vapors from furniture polish, wax, carpet cleaners, etc. turn into white powder residue	Turn heater off when using furniture polish, wax, carpet cleaners, or similar products
Moisture/condensation noticed on windows	Not enough combustion/ventilation air	Refer to Air for Combustion and Ventilation requirements (page 4)

## TROUBLESHOOTING Continued

### MARNING: If you smell gas

- · Shut off gas supply.
- Do not try to light any appliance.
- Do not touch any electrical switch; do not use any phone in your building.
- Immediately call your gas supplier from a neighbor's phone. Follow the gas supplier's instructions.
- If you cannot reach your gas supplier, call the fire department.

*IMPORTANT:* Operating heater where impurities in air exist may create odors. Cleaning supplies, paint, paint remover, cigarette smoke, cements and glues, new carpet or textiles, etc., create fumes. These fumes may mix with combustion air and create odors. These odors will disappear over time.

OBSERVED PROBLEM		POSSIBLE CAUSE		REMEDY		
Heater produces a clicking/ticking noise just after burners are lit or shut off		etal expanding while heating or contracting hile cooling	1.	This is common with most heaters. If noise is excessive, contact qualified service person		
Heater produces unwanted odors	gl	eater burning vapors from paint, hair spray, ues, cleaners, chemicals, new carpet, etc. See <i>IMPORTANT</i> statement above)	1.	Open window to ventilate room. Stop using odor causing products while heater is running		
	,	ow fuel supply (propane/LP only)	2.	Refill supply tank (propane/LP only)		
		as leak. See Warning statement at top of age	3.	Locate and correct all leaks (see Checking Gas Connections, page 12)		
Heater shuts off in use (ODS operates)	1. No	ot enough fresh air is available	1.	Open window and/or door for ventilation		
	2. Lo	ow line pressure	2.	Contact local natural or propane/LP gas company		
	3. O	DS/pilot is partially clogged	3.	Clean ODS/pilot (see <i>Cleaning and Mainte-nance</i> , page 18)		
Gas odor even when control knob is in OFF position		as leak. See Warning statement at top of	1.	Locate and correct all leaks (see Checking Gas Connections, page 12)		
	2. Co	ontrol valve or gas control defective	2.	Replace control valve or gas control		
Gas odor during combustion		oreign matter between control valve and	1.	Take apart gas tubing and remove foreign matter		
		as leak. See Warning statement at top of age	2.	Locate and correct all leaks (see Checking Gas Connections, page 12)		
Log set cycles to pilot, but room temperature drops to a lower than ideal level before log set comes back on		and-held remote control is too close to heater Remote-Ready Models Only)	1.	Move hand-held remote control unit farther away from the heater		



#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

	VFRMV18NA	VFRMV24NA
Btu (Variable)	24,000/36,000	28,000/39,000
Type Gas	Natural Gas Only	Natural Gas Only
Ignition Piezo	Piezo	
Manifold Pressure	3.5" W.C 1.6"W.C.	3.5" W.C 1.6"W.C.
Inlet Gas Pressure (in. of	water)	
Maximum	10.5" W.C.	10.5" W.C.
Minimum*	5.0" W.C.	5.0" W.C.

<sup>\*</sup> For purpose of input adjustment

	VFRMV18PA	VFRMV24PA
Btu (Variable)	26,000/34,000	31,000/39,000
Type Gas	Propane/LP Only	Propane/LP Only
Ignition Piezo	Piezo	
Manifold Pressure	10" W.C 6.3"W.C.	10" W.C 6.3"W.C.
Inlet Gas Pressure (in. of v	vater)	
Maximum	14" W.C.	14" W.C.
Minimum*	11" W.C.	11" W.C.

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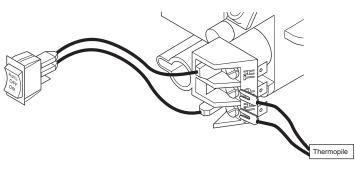
This appliance has been designed-certified by to ANS Z21.11.2a-2003

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#### WIRING DIAGRAM

(Remote-Ready Models Only)



#### SERVICE HINTS

When Gas Pressure Is Too Low

- · pilot will not stay lit
- · burners will have delayed ignition
- · heater will not produce specified heat
- · propane/LP gas supply may be low

You may feel your gas pressure is too low. If so, contact your local propane/LP or natural gas supplier.

#### **TECHNICAL SERVICE**

You may have further questions about installation, operation, or troubleshooting. If so, contact DESA Technical Service Department at 1-866-672-6040. When calling please have your model and serial numbers of your heater ready.

You can also visit DESA technical services web site at www.desatech.com.

#### REPLACEMENT PARTS

Note: Use only original replacement parts. This will protect your warranty coverage for parts replaced under warranty.

#### PARTS UNDER WARRANTY

Contact authorized dealers of this product. If they can't supply original replacement part(s), call DESA Technical Service Department at 1-866-672-6040.

When calling DESA International, have ready

- your name
- your address
- · model and serial numbers of your heater
- how heater was malfunctioning
- type of gas used (propane/LP or natural gas)
- · purchase date

Usually, we will ask you to return the part to the factory.

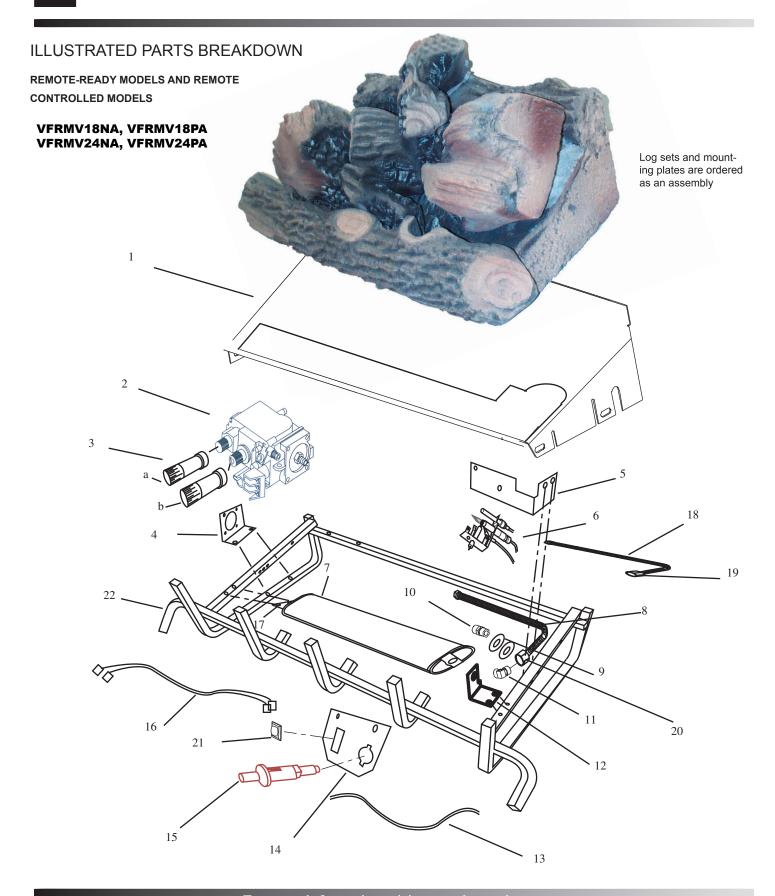
#### PARTS NOT UNDER WARRANTY

Contact authorized dealers of this product. If they can't supply original replacement part(s), call DESA at 1-866-672-6040 for referral information.

When calling DESA, have ready

- · model number of your heater
- · the replacement part number





### **PARTS LIST**

This list contains replaceable parts used in your heater. When ordering parts, follow the instructions listed under Replacement Parts on page 23 of this manual.

	PART NUMBER FOR				
	VFRMV18NA	VFRMV24NA	VFRMV18PA	VFRMV24PA	DESCRIPTION
1	114860-01	114607-01	114860-01	114807 -01	Log plate
2	111807-01	111807-02	111807-01	111807-02	valve
3a	103784-01	103784-01	103784-01	103784-01	Extention Knob (A)
3b	103784-02	103784-02	103784-02	103784-02	Extention Knob (B)
4	114795-01	114795-01	114795-01	114795-01	Valve Bracket
5	114805-01	114805-01	114805-01	114805-01	Pilot Bracket
6	112376-01	112376-01	114859-01	114859-01	Pilot
7	114858-02	114797-02	114858-02	114797-02	Burner
8	111817-01	111817-01	111817-01	111817-01	3/8 Flex Tube
9	114800-01	114800-01	114800-01	114800-01	3/8 Washer
10	114799-04	114799-03	114799-02	114799-01	Orifice
11	114801-01	114801-01	114801-01	114801-01	3/8 Brass Elbow
12	114802-01	114802-01	114802-01	114802-01	Orifice Bracket
13	098271-07	098271-07	098271-07	098271-07	Piezo Wire
14	114793-01	114793-01	114793-01	114793-01	Piezo Switch Bracket
15	097159-04	097159-04	097159-04	097159-04	Ignitor
16	103284-02	103284-02	103284-02	103284-02	Wire Harnes
17	114798-01	114798-01	114798-01	114798-01	Burner Bracket
18	114804-01	114804-01	114804-01	114804-01	3/16 Flex Tube
19	111828-01	111828-01	111828-01	111828-01	3/16 Ferrel
20	111824-01	111824-01	111824-01	111824-01	3/8 Nut With Ferrel
21	099998-01	099998-01	099998-01	099998-01	On Off switch
22	114854-01	114790-01	114854-01	114790-01	Grate
PARTS AVAILABLE NOT SHOWN					
	100563-01	100563-01	100563-01	100563-01	Warning Plate
	103877-01	103877-01	103877-01	103877-01	Lighting Instruction
	100565-01	100565-01	100565-01	100565-01	Warning Plate Fastener
	100639-01	100639-01	100639-01	100639-01	Caution Decal
	GA6060	GA6060	GA6060	GA6060	Lava Rock



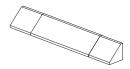
#### **ACCESSORIES**

Purchase these heater accessories from your local dealer. If they can not supply these accessories, call DESA International at 1-866-672-6040 for referral information. You can also write to the address listed on the back page of this manual.



#### **EQUIPMENT SHUTOFF VALVE - GA5010**

For all models. Equipment shutoff valve with 1/8" NPT tap. Fits 1/2" NPT pipe.



#### FIREPLACE HOOD

Black - GA6050

Brass - GA6052

Antique Brass - GA6053

For all models. Helps deflect heat away from mantel or wall above fireplace. Fits openings 28" to 48" wide.



## RECEIVER AND HAND-HELD THERMOSTAT REMOTE CONTROL KIT - GHRCTB

For all Remote-Ready Models. Allows the gas log heater to be operated in a manually or thermostatically controlled mode. You can turn the gas log heater on and off without ever leaving the comfort of your easy chair.



## RECEIVER AND HAND-HELD REMOTE CONTROL KIT - GHRCB

For all Remote-Ready Models. Allows the gas log heater to be turned on and off by using a hand-held remote control.

## WALL-MOUNT THERMOSTAT SWITCH - GWMT1

(Not Shown)

For all Remote-Ready Models. The desired comfort setting can be selected on the wall thermostat and the log heater will automatically cycle from pilot to the heat setting selected.

#### WALL-MOUNT ON/OFF SWITCH - GWMS2

(Not Shown)

For all Remote-Ready Models. Allows the gas log heater to be turned on and off with a wall switch.

#### **VENT-FREE LOGMATE® FIREBOXES**

(Not Shown)

Available in 32", 36", and 42" models. Circulating fireboxes feature louvers and an optional blower. Non-circulating, smooth face models are ideal for custom trim applications such as stone or marble.

### FB32C (CIRCULATING), FB32NC (NON-CIRCULATING) SERIES

(Not Shown)

For 18" and 24" models.

### FB36CA, FB42C SERIES (CIRCULATING), FB36NCA, FB42NC SERIES (NON-CIRCULATING)

(Not Shown)

For all models.

#### **DAMPER CLAMP - GA6080**

(Not Shown)

For Remote-Ready and Variable Manually-Controlled Models. Permanently opens chimney flue damper for vented operation.

#### LAVA ROCK - GA6060

(Not Shown)

For all models. Order when additional rock is desired. (1.8 lb. bag)

#### **CLEANING KIT - GCK**

(Not Shown)

For all models. Your vent-free gas appliance requires regular cleaning and maintenance to prevent performance problems. This kit gives you the tools and instructions to make it easy to clean all critical areas of your appliance.

#### **INFORMATION VIDEO - 108917-01**

For all models. A care and maintenance video is available by calling 1-866-672-6040.

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#### **OWNER'S REGISTRATION FORM**

der to provide better customer service for this and future purchases, we recommend that you register your product with us. can register online at www.desatech.com if access to our web site is not available to you, please complete this Owner's Regtion Form and mail to the address on the back of this owner's manual. Please provide the following product information:

Brand:	(Comfort Glow, Vanguard, etc)
Model:	
Date Purchased:	
Serial Number:	7 to 9 digit number located on product or identification tag.
	Last Name:
Address:	
	Zip: Country:
Home Phone	
E-mail:	
Please answer the following questions to register ye	
1. Where will the product be used?	
O Living/Family Room O Office/warehouse	e O Garage O Bedroom O Bathroom O Other
2. If you bought this product your self, did you plan OYes O No	n to purchase this type of product before going into the store
3. Who selected the product? OMale OFemale	OBoth
·	0,000 O10,000 to 25,000 O25,000 to 50,000 O50,000 to 100,000
O100,000 to 250,000 Oover 250,000	
	ne (LP Gas) OFuel Oil OWood ONatural Gas OElectric Oother
6. How was the product installed? OProfessional	
7. Cost of product excluding sales tax? \$	
8. Cost to install product? \$	
	Ohardware OPropane Dealer ONatural Gas/Utility Co.  Ace or Hearth Shop OFarm Store OOther
	dden cold weather OReplace another model OD.I.Y. Home Project
	s on sale OEnergy Savings/High Efficiency OConstruction Project OOther
	tising ORelative or Friend OStore display OOther
-	h School OCompleted High School O Completed College OCompleted
13. Age of purchaser: Ounder 20 O20-29 O 30-3	9 Q40-49 Q50-59 Q60- Over
14. Buyer's total annual household income: OUnde	er \$15,00 O\$15,000 to \$19,999 O\$20,000 to \$34,999 O\$35,000 \$49,999
O\$50,000 to \$74,999 O\$75,000 to \$99,999	O\$100,000 and over
15. Store where product was purchased:	
Name	
City: State:	
16. In choosing this product, how important were t	he following:
Not Important	Somewhat Important Very Important
Availability O	0 0
Price O	0 0
Brand Name	0 0
Overall Quality	0 0
Heat Output O	0 0
Made in USA	0 0
Warranty O	0 0
Local Service	0 0
Value for Price	0 0
Prior Brand Experience	0 0
Controls Location O	0 0
Thermostat, Remote, or Manual Operation O	0 0
Ease Operation O	0 0
Special Features O	0 0
Salesperson's Recommendation	0 0
Portability	0 0

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NOTES

### WARRANTY INFORMATION

#### KEEP THIS WARRANTY

Model	
Serial No	
Date Purchased	

Always specify model and serial numbers when communicating with the factory.

We reserve the right to amend these specifications at any time without notice. The only warranty applicable is our standard written warranty. We make no other warranty, expressed or implied.

## LIMITED WARRANTY VENT-FREE GAS LOG HEATERS

DESA International warrants this product to be free from defects in materials and components for four (4) years and five (5) years on stainless steel burners from the date of first purchase, provided that the product has been properly installed, operated and maintained in accordance with all applicable instructions. To make a claim under this warranty the Bill of Sale or cancelled check must be presented.

This warranty is extended only to the original retail purchaser. This warranty covers the cost of part(s) required to restore this heater to proper operating condition and an allowance for labor when provided by a DESA Authorized Service Center. Warranty part(s) MUST be obtained through authorized dealers of this product and/or DESA International who will provide original factory replacement parts. Failure to use original factory replacement parts voids this warranty. The heater MUST be installed by a qualified installer in accordance with all local codes and instructions furnished with the unit.

This warranty does not apply to parts that are not in original condition because of normal wear and tear, or parts that fail or become damaged as a result of misuse, accidents, lack of proper maintenance or defects caused by improper installation. Travel, diagnostic cost, labor, transportation and any and all such other costs related to repairing a defective heater will be the responsibility of the owner.

TO THE FULL EXTENT ALLOWED BY THE LAW OF THE JURISDICTION THAT GOVERNS THE SALE OF THE PRODUCT; THIS EXPRESS WARRANTY EXCLUDES ANY AND ALL OTHER EXPRESSED WARRANTIES AND LIMITS THE DURATION OF ANY AND ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES, INCLUDING WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE TO FOUR (4) YEARS ON ALL COMPONENTS AND FIVE (5) YEARS ON STAINLESS STEEL BURNERS FROM THE DATE OF FIRST PURCHASE; AND DESA INTERNATIONAL'S LIABILITY IS HEREBY LIMITED TO THE PURCHASE PRICE OF THE PRODUCT AND DESA INTERNATIONAL SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY OTHER DAMAGES WHATSOEVER INCLUDING INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.

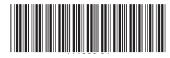
Some states do not allow a limitation on how long an implied warranty lasts or an exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation on implied warranties, or exclusion or limitation on damages may not apply to you.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights that vary from state to state.

For information about this warranty write:



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