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## Installation and Operation Instructions

### Unvented (Vent-Free) Gas Log Heater

#### Models

FVFM27NR

FVFM27PR



We recommend that our gas hearth products be installed and serviced by professionals who are certified in the U.S. by the National Fireplace Institute® (NFI) as NFI Gas Specialists.

**INSTALLER:** Leave this manual with the appliance.

**CONSUMER:** Retain this manual for future reference.

This appliance may be installed in an aftermarket permanently located, 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 appliance is for installation only in a solid-fuel burning masonry or UL127 factory-built fireplace or in a listed ventless firebox enclosure. It is design-certified 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 gas logs.

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 6* of this manual.



#### **WARNING:**

##### **FIRE OR EXPLOSION HAZARD**

Failure to follow safety warnings exactly could result in serious injury, death, or property damage.

- 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.
  - Leave the building immediately.
  - 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.

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## SAFETY



### **WARNING: FIRE, EXPLOSION, AND ASPHYXIATION HAZARD**

Improper adjustment, alteration, service, maintenance, or installation of this heater or its controls can cause death or serious injury.

Read and follow instructions and precautions in User's Information Manual provided with this heater.



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**WARNING:** Vent-free products are prohibited for bedroom and bathroom installation in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.



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\* Aftermarket: Completion of sale, not for purpose of resale, from the manufacturer



**WARNING:** This product contains and/or generates chemicals known to the state of California to cause cancer or birth defects or other reproductive harm.



**DANGER:** Carbon monoxide poisoning may lead to death!

## SAFETY

### *Continued*

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


**Carbon Monoxide Poisoning:** Early signs of carbon monoxide poisoning resemble the flu, with headaches, dizziness, or nausea. If you have these signs, the heater may not be working properly. **Get fresh air at once!** Have heater 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 and Propane/LP Gas:** Natural and propane/LP gases are fuel gases. Fuel gases are odorless. An odor-making agent are added to fuel gases. The odor helps you detect a fuel gas leak. However, the odor added to fuel gas can fade. Fuel 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 heater.

 **WARNING:** Any change to this heater or its controls can be dangerous.

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

 **WARNING:** 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.

 **WARNING:** Do not place log scraps or volcanic stone on burner.

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 base assembly becomes very hot when running heater. Children and adults should be alerted to the hazard of high surface temperature and should stay away to avoid burns or clothing ignition. Heater will remain hot for a time after shutdown. Allow surface to cool before touching.

Young children should be carefully supervised when they are in the same room with the appliance. When using the hand-held remote accessory, keep selector switch in the OFF position to prevent children from turning on burners with remote.

You must operate this heater with the fireplace screen and hood in place. Make sure fireplace screen and hood are in place before running heater. The fireplace screen shall have openings for introduction of combustion air.

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

Solid-fuels shall not be burned in a fireplace in which an unvented room heater is installed.

## SAFETY *Continued*

**Installation and repair should be done by a qualified service person. The appliance should be inspected before use and at least annually by a professional service person. More frequent cleaning may be required due to excessive lint from carpeting, bedding material, etc. It is imperative that control compartments, burners, and circulating air passageways of the appliance be kept clean.**

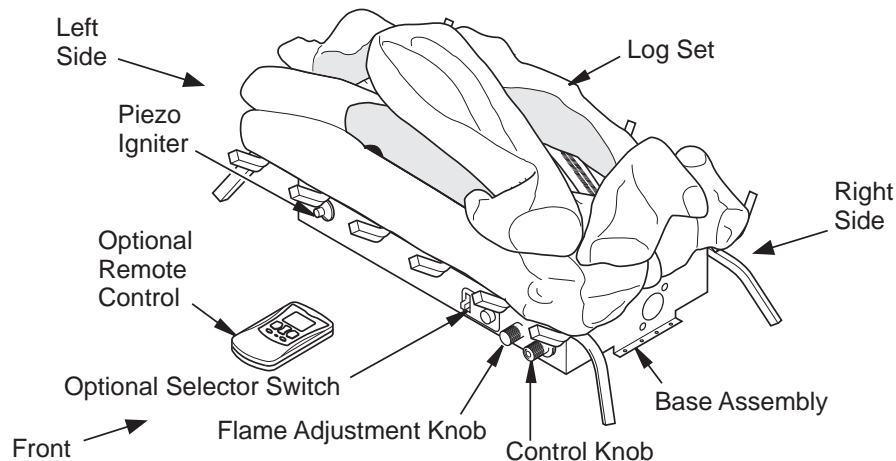
**1. WARNING: This appliance is only for use with the type of gas indicated on the rating plate. This appliance is not convertible for use with other gases.**

2. Do not place propane/LP supply tank(s) inside any structure. Locate propane/LP supply tank(s) outdoors (propane/LP units only).
3. To prevent performance problems, the use of a propane/LP tank of less than 100 lbs. capacity is not recommended (propane/LP units only).
4. 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
5. This heater shall not be installed in a bedroom or bathroom unless installed as a vented appliance (see *Installing Damper Clamp Accessory for Vented Operation*, **Page 12**).
6. **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 and firebox before operating appliance.
7. Do not burn solid-fuel in a fireplace in which a vent-free appliance is installed.
8. If appliance has glass doors, never operate this appliance with glass doors closed. Any glass doors shall be fully opened when the appliance is in operation. If you operate appliance with doors closed, heat buildup inside fireplace will cause glass to burst. Make sure there are no obstructions across openings of fireplace.
9. This log heater is designed to be smokeless. If logs ever appear to smoke, turn off heater and call a qualified service person. **NOTE:** *During initial operation, slight smoking could occur due to log curing and heater burning manufacturing residues.*
10. To prevent the creation of soot, follow the instructions in *Cleaning and Maintenance*, **Page 21**.
11. Before using furniture polish, wax, carpet cleaner or similar products, turn appliance off. If heated, the vapors from these products may create a white powder residue within burner box or on adjacent walls and furniture.
12. This appliance needs fresh, outside air ventilation to run properly. This appliance has an Oxygen Depletion Sensing (ODS) safety shutoff system. The ODS shuts down the appliance if enough fresh air is not available. See *Air for Combustion and Ventilation*, **Page 6**. If appliance keeps shutting off, see *Troubleshooting*, **Page 23**.
13. Do not run appliance
  - where flammable liquids or vapors are used or stored
  - under dusty conditions
14. Do not use this appliance to cook food or burn paper or other objects.
15. Do not use this room heater if any part has been 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.
16. Do not operate appliance if any log is broken. Do not operate appliance if a log is chipped (dime-sized or larger).
17. Turn heater off and let cool before servicing, installing, or repairing. Make sure the selector switch is in the OFF position. Only a qualified service person should install, service, or repair heater.
18. This heater must not be connected to any external electrical source.
19. Operating appliance above elevations of 4,500 feet may cause pilot outage.
20. Provide adequate clearances around air openings.
21. Solid fuels shall not be burned in a fireplace in which an unvented room heater is installed.
22. Follow the clearance requirements within this manual to assure adequate clearances for accessibility for purposes of servicing and proper operation.
23. Installation and the provisions for combustion and ventilation air must conform with the National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54.
24. When installing as a vented appliance in a manufactured home or mobile home, the installation must conform with the Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standard, Title 24 CFR, Part 3280, or when applicable, with Manufacture Home Installations Standard, ANSI/NCBCS A225.1/NFPZ 501A.

22. Solid fuels shall not be burned in a fireplace in which an unvented room heater or decorative appliance is installed.
23. When installing as a vented appliance in a manufactured home or mobile home, the

installation must conform with the Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standard, Title 24 CFR, Part 3280 or when standard is not applicable, with *Manufactured Home Installations Standard, ANSI/NCSBCS A225.1/NFPZ 501A*.

## PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION



**Figure 1 - Product Identification**

## 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:

American National Standards Institute, Inc.  
25 West 43rd Street, 4th floor  
New York, NY 10036  
National Fire Protection Association, Inc.  
1 Batterymarch Park  
Quincy, MA 02169-7471

## UNPACKING

1. Remove logs and heater base assembly from carton.

**NOTE:** Do not pick up appliance base assembly by burners. This could damage the appliance. Always handle base assembly by grate.

2. Remove all protective packaging applied to logs and appliance for shipment.
3. Check appliance for any shipping damage. If appliance is damaged, promptly inform dealer where you purchased the appliance.

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

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS REQUIREMENTS

These appliances are approved for installation in the US state of Massachusetts if the following additional requirements are met:

- Un-vented Room Heaters shall be installed in accordance with 527 CMR 30.
- Installation and repair must be done by a plumber or gas fitter licensed in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- The flexible gas line connector used shall not exceed 36 inches (92 centimeters) in length.
- The individual manual shut-off must be a T-handle type valve.
- Unvented appliances may NOT be installed in bedrooms or bathrooms.
- A working smoke detector must be installed in the area where vent-free appliances are installed.

Seller of unvented propane or natural gas-fired supplemental room heaters shall provide to each purchaser a copy of 527 CMR 30 upon sale of the unit.



## PRODUCT FEATURES

### OPERATION

This heater is clean burning. It requires no outside venting. There is no heat loss out a vent or up a chimney. Heat is generated by realistic, dancing yellow flames. 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 product (ANSI Z21.60) by opening flue damper (non-thermostat operation only).

### APPLICATION

These multisided logs are designed to be equally

beautiful when viewed from any angle. They are designed specifically for use in see-through, peninsula, and island fireboxes with multiple openings. You may also install this log heater in a standard firebox.

### SAFETY PILOT

This heater has a pilot with an Oxygen Depletion Sensing (ODS) safety shutoff 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 igniter. 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 a room or space unless the required volume of indoor combustion air is provided by the method described in the National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54, the International Fuel Gas Code, or applicable local codes. Read the following instructions to ensure 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. Homeowners apply weather strip and caulk around windows and doors to keep the cold air out and the warm air in. During heating months, homeowners 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, some fireplaces, clothes dryers and some fuel-burning appliances draw air from the house to operate. You must provide adequate fresh air for these appliances. This will ensure proper venting of vented fuel-burning appliances.

### PROVIDING ADEQUATE VENTILATION

The following are excerpts from *National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54, 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 6-8** 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.

**Unusually tight construction is defined as construction where:**

- a. walls and ceilings exposed to the outside atmosphere have a continuous water vapor retarder with a rating of one perm ( $6 \times 10^{-11}$  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 three criteria above, you must provide additional fresh air. See Ventilation Air From Outdoors, Page 8.**

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

#### Confined and Unconfined Space

The *National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54* allows two methods for determining whether the space in which the heater is being

# AIR FOR COMBUSTION AND VENTILATION

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installed is confined or unconfined space. The standard method defines a confined space as a space whose volume is less than 50 cubic feet per 1,000 Btu/hr (4.8 m<sup>3</sup> 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/hr (4.8 m<sup>3</sup> 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.

Where the air infiltration rate of a structure is known, the Known Air Infiltration Rate Method may be used. Follow The National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54 to use this method to determine if the space is confined or unconfined.

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

## DETERMINING FRESH-AIR FLOW FOR HEATER LOCATION

### Determining if You Have a Confined or Unconfined Space Using the Standard Method

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

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

1. Determine the volume of the space (length x width x 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 fireplace     | _____ Btu/Hr   |
| Gas water heater*       | _____ Btu/Hr   |
| Gas furnace             | _____ Btu/Hr   |
| Vented gas heater       | _____ 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:**

|                     |          |        |
|---------------------|----------|--------|
| Gas water heater    | 40,000   | Btu/Hr |
| Vent-free fireplace | + 33,000 | Btu/Hr |
| Total               | = 73,000 | Btu/Hr |

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

\_\_\_\_\_ Btu/Hr (maximum can support)

\_\_\_\_\_ Btu/Hr (actual amount used)

**Example:** 51,200 Btu/Hr (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 8.
- B. Vent room directly to the outdoors. See Ventilation Air From Outdoors, Page 8.
- C. Install a lower Btu/Hr fireplace, 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 air ventilation.

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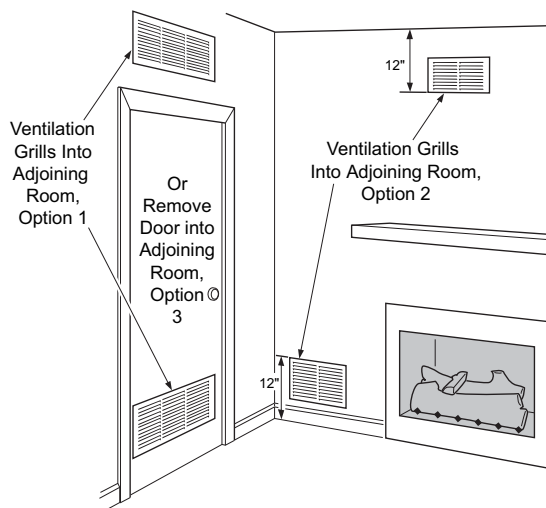
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**⚠ WARNING:** If the area in which the heater may be operated does not meet the required volume for indoor combustion air, combustion and ventilation air shall be provided by one of the methods described in the *National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54*, the *International Fuel Gas Code*, or applicable local codes.

## 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, Air for Combustion and Ventilation* for required size of ventilation grills or ducts.

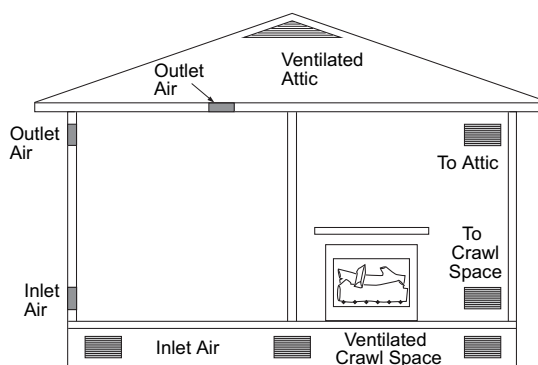


**Figure 2 - Ventilation Air from Inside Building**

### 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, 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 3 - Ventilation Air from Outdoors**





## INSTALLATION


**NOTICE:** This appliance is intended for supplemental heating. Use this heater along with your primary heating system. Do not install this heater as your primary heat 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 the 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:** 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 and firebox flue for damage. If damaged, repair flue and firebox before operating heater.

 **WARNING:** Any outside air ducts and/or ash dumps in the fireplace shall be permanently closed at time of appliance installation.

 **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-resistant sealant. Do not seal chimney flue damper.

 **WARNING:** Never install the heater


- in a bedroom or bathroom unless installed as a vented appliance, see *Page 12*
- in a recreational vehicle
- where curtains, furniture, clothing, or other flammable objects are less than 42" from the front, top, or sides of the heater
- in high traffic areas
- in windy or drafty areas

 **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 without enough ventilation air may cause mildew to form from too much moisture. See *Air for Combustion and Ventilation, Page 6*.

### CHECK GAS TYPE

Use only the correct type of gas (natural or propane/LP). If your gas supply is not the correct gas type, do not install heater. Call dealer where you bought heater for proper type heater.

 **WARNING:** This appliance is equipped for either natural gas or propane/LP gas but not both. Gas type is indicated on the rating plate. Field conversion is not permitted.

# INSTALLATION

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### INSTALLATION AND CLEARANCES

(Vent-Free Operation Only)

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

#### MINIMUM FIREPLACE CLEARANCE TO COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS

Side Wall 16", Ceiling 42", Front 36"

#### LOG SIZING REQUIREMENTS

| Log Size | Minimum Firebox |       |       |
|----------|-----------------|-------|-------|
|          | Height          | Depth | Width |
| 27"      | 17"             | 19"   | 32"   |

Carefully follow the instructions below. This will ensure safe installation into a masonry, UL127-listed manufactured fireplace, or listed vent-free firebox.

#### Minimum Clearances For Side Combustible Material, Side Wall, and Ceiling

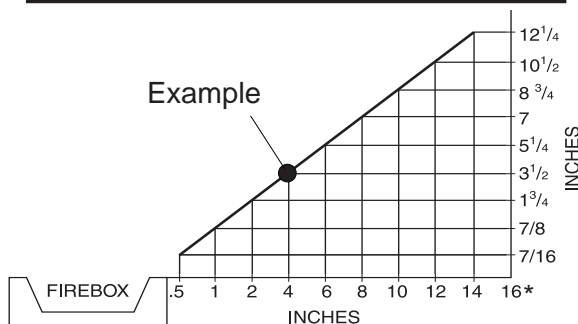
- A. Clearances from side of fireplace cabinet to any combustible material and wall should follow diagram in **Figure 4**.

**Example:** The face of a mantel, bookshelf, etc. is made of combustible material and protrudes 3-1/2" from the wall. This combustible material must be 4" from the side of the fireplace cabinet (see **Figure 4**).

**NOTE:** When installing your gas logs into a manufactured firebox, follow firebox manufacturer's instructions for minimum clearances to combustible materials.

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

**Maintain adequate clearances for accessibility for purposes of servicing and proper operation.**



**Figure 4 - Minimum Clearance for Combustible to Wall**

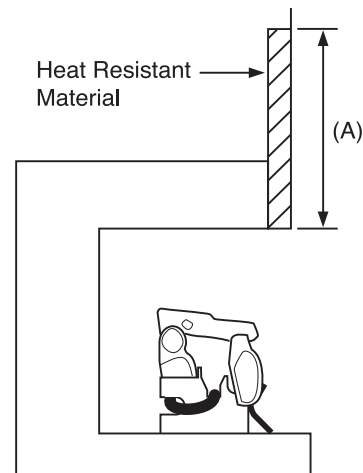
**NOTICE:** Manual control heaters may be used as a vented product. If so, you must always run heater with chimney flue damper open. If running heater with damper open, noncombustible material above fireplace opening is not needed. Go to **Installing Damper Clamp Accessory for Vented Operation, Page 12**.

#### MINIMUM NONCOMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL CLEARANCES

##### If Not Using Mantel

**NOTE:** If using a mantel, proceed to **If Using Mantel, Page 11**. If not using a mantel, follow the information below.

| Noncombustible Material Distance (A) | Requirements for Safe Installation  |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| 12" or more                          | Noncombustible material OK.   |
| Between 8" and 12"                   | Install fireplace hood accessory (GA6050 - see <b>Accessories, Page 29</b> ).   |
| Less than 8"                         | Noncombustible material must be extended to at least 8". See <b>Between 8" and 12"</b> , 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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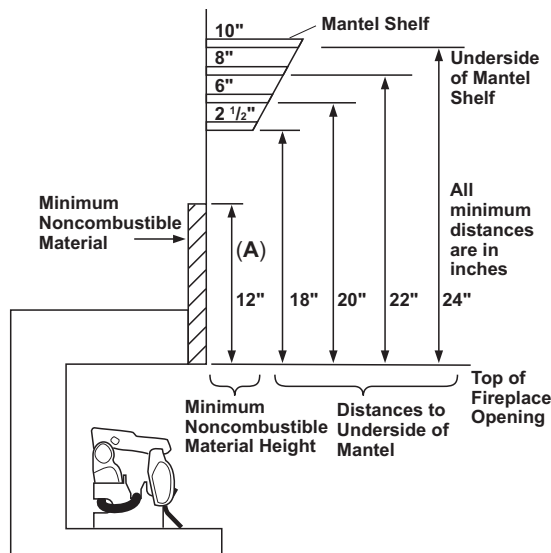
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You must have noncombustible material(s) above both fireplace openings. Noncombustible materials (such as slate, marble, tile, etc.) must be at least 1/2" thick. With sheet metal, you must have noncombustible material behind it. Noncombustible material must extend at least 8" up. If noncombustible material is less than 12", you must install the fireplace hood accessory. See **Figure 5, Page 10** for minimum clearances.

**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 12**.

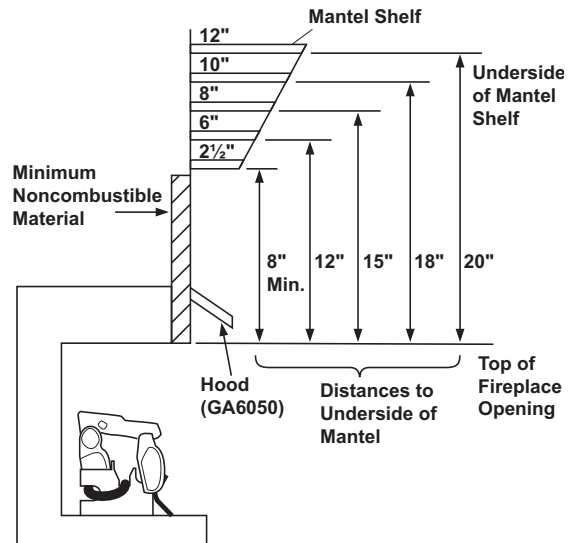
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You must have noncombustible material(s) above the fireplace opening. Noncombustible materials (such as slate, marble, tile, etc.) must be at least 1/2" thick. With sheet metal, you must have noncombustible material behind it. Noncombustible material must extend at least 8" up. If noncombustible material is less than 12", you must install the fireplace hood accessory. Even if noncombustible material is more than 12", you may need the hood accessory to deflect heat away from your mantel shelf. See **Figure 5, Page 10** and **Figures 6 and 7**, for minimum clearances.



**Figure 6 - Minimum Mantel Clearances Without Using Hood**

Minimum clearance requirements include any projections such as shelves, window sills, mantels, etc. above the appliance.



**Figure 7 - Minimum Mantel Clearances When Using Hood**

### MANTEL CLEARANCES

In addition to meeting noncombustible material clearances, you must also meet required clearances between fireplace openings and mantel shelf on each side of the fireplace. 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.

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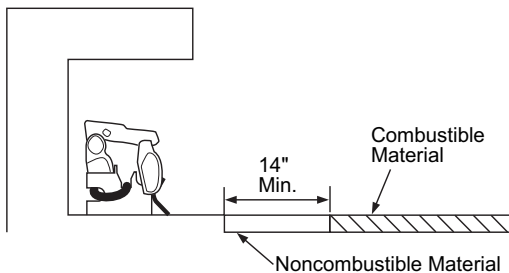
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**Notice: If your installation does not meet the minimum clearances shown, you must do one of the following:**

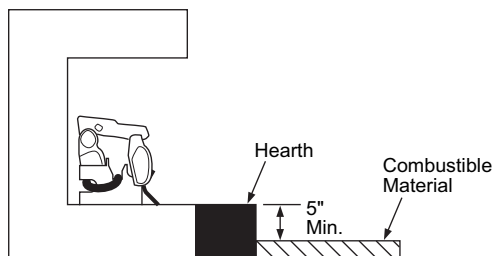
- operate the logs only with the flue damper open
- raise the mantel to an acceptable height
- remove the mantel

### 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 top surface of combustible flooring including tile and carpet (see **Figure 9**).



**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

**NOTE:** When used as a vented heater, appliance must be installed only in a solid-fuel burning fireplace with a working flue and constructed of noncombustible material.

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

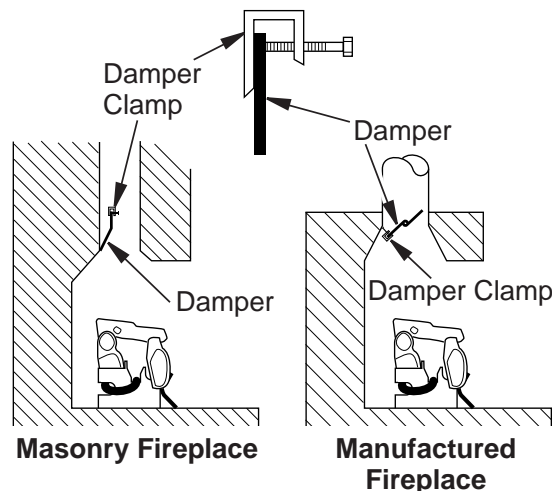
1. The fireplace does not meet the clearance to combustibles requirements for vent-free operation
2. State or local codes do not permit vent-free operation
3. You prefer vented operation

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 30](#)*). This will ensure 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.

| Chimney Height | Minimum Permanent Flue Opening |
|----------------|--------------------------------|
| 6' to 15'      | 39 sq. inches                  |
| 15' to 30'     | 29 sq. inches                  |

| Area of Various Standard Round Flues |               |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| Diameter                             | Area          |
| 5"                                   | 20 sq. inches |
| 6"                                   | 29 sq. inches |
| 7"                                   | 39 sq. inches |
| 8"                                   | 51 sq. inches |



**Figure 10 - Attaching Damper Clamp**

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### INSTALLING HEATER BASE ASSEMBLY

**⚠ CAUTION:** Do not remove the data plates attached to the heater base assembly. The data plates contain important warranty and safety information.

**⚠ WARNING:** You must secure this heater to fireplace floor. If not, heater will move when you adjust controls. Moving heater may cause a gas leak.

**⚠ 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 ensure adequate airflow and guard against sooting and controls being damaged. Raise fireplace floor with noncombustible material. Make sure material is secure.

**⚠ CAUTION:** Do not pick up heater base assembly by burners. This could damage heater. Only handle base assembly by grates.

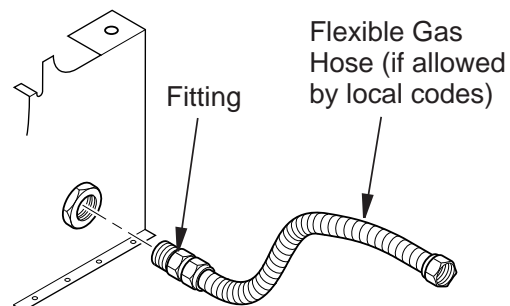
**IMPORTANT:** Make sure the heater burner is level. If heater is not level, heater will not work properly.

#### Installation Items Needed

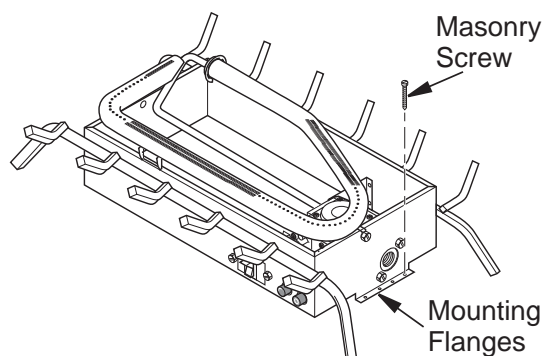
- hardware package (provided with heater)
  - approved flexible gas hose (not provided) (if allowed by local codes)
  - sealant (resistant to propane/LP gas, not provided)
  - electric drill with 3/16" drill bit (metal or masonry as applicable)
  - flathead screwdriver
1. Apply pipe joint sealant lightly to male threads of the fitting to be threaded into gas control. Connect approved flexible

gas hose to gas control fitting in heater (see **Figure 11**). **IMPORTANT:** Hold gas fitting with wrench when connecting flexible gas hose.

2. Locate two masonry screws in hardware package.
3. Place heater base in fireplace.
4. Place logs in their proper position on heater base. See *Installing Logs*, **Page 16**.
5. Center heater base and logs front to back and side to side in fireplace.
6. Carefully remove logs without moving heater base.
7. Mark screw locations through one hole on each side of mounting bracket (see **Figure 12**). If installing in a brick bottom fireplace, mark screw locations in mortar joint of bricks.
8. Remove heater base from fireplace. If installing optional control accessories, do so at this time. Follow all directions provided with accessory.
9. Drill holes at marked locations using 3/16" drill bit.
10. Attach base assembly to fireplace floor using two masonry screws (in hardware package).



**Figure 11 - Attaching Flexible Gas Hose to Heater**



**Figure 12 - Attaching Base Assembly to Fireplace Floor**



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### CONNECTING TO GAS SUPPLY

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

**⚠ WARNING:** Never connect propane/LP heater 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 heater 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 (for propane/LP units only, 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

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" 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 13**. 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.

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 14, Page 15**).

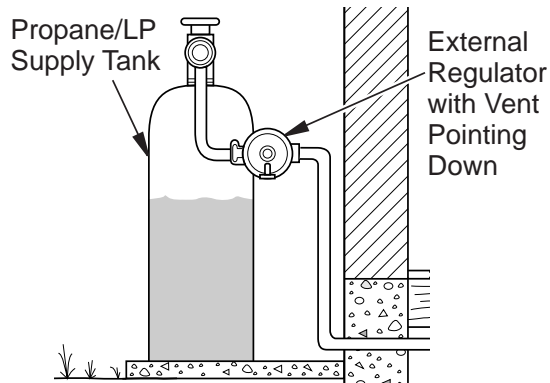
**IMPORTANT:** Install equipment shutoff valve in an accessible location. The equipment shutoff valve is for turning on or shutting off the gas to the appliance.

Check your building codes for any special requirements for locating equipment shutoff valve to fireplaces.

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 sediment trap in supply line as shown in **Figure 14, Page 15**. 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.



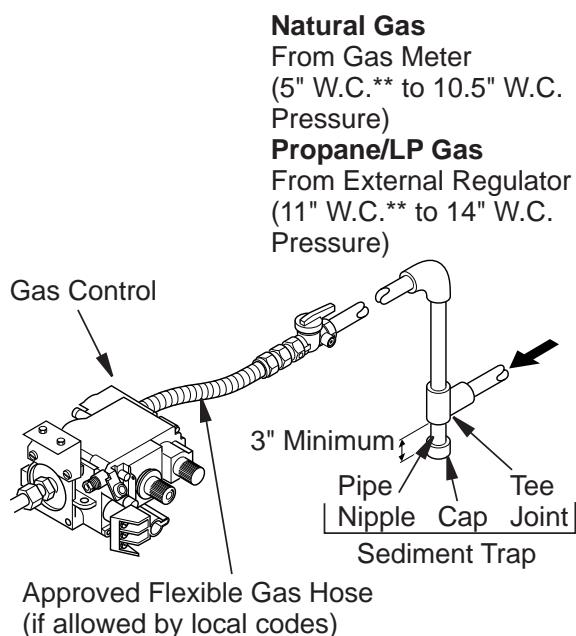
**Figure 13 - External Regulator With Vent Pointing Down (propane/LP gas only)**

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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 control. Hold fitting with wrench when connecting it to gas piping and/or fittings.



**Figure 14 - Gas Connection**

\*\* Minimum inlet pressure for purpose of input adjustment.

## CHECKING GAS CONNECTIONS

**⚠ WARNING:** Test all gas piping and connections, internal and external to unit, 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:** For propane/LP gas, make sure external regulator has been installed between propane/LP supply and heater. See guidelines under *Connecting to Gas Supply, Page 14.*

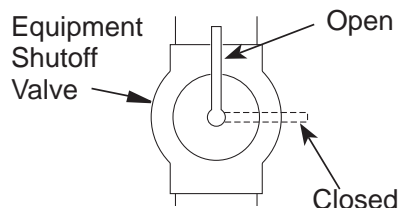
## PRESSURE TESTING GAS SUPPLY PIPING SYSTEM

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

1. 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 (3.5 kPa) will damage heater regulator.
2. Cap off open end of gas pipe where equipment shutoff valve was connected.
3. 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.
4. Check all joints of gas supply piping system. Apply a noncorrosive leak detection fluid to gas joints. Bubbles forming show a leak.
5. Correct all leaks at once.
6. 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 15*).
2. 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.



**Figure 15 - Equipment Shutoff Valve**

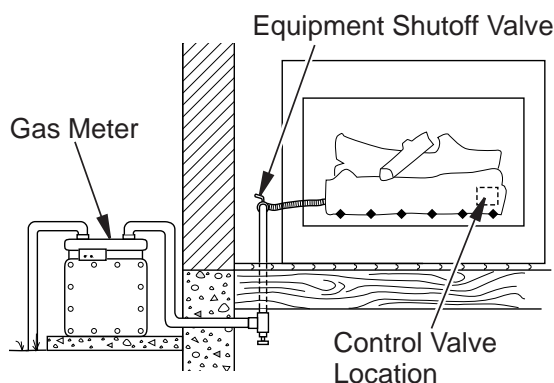
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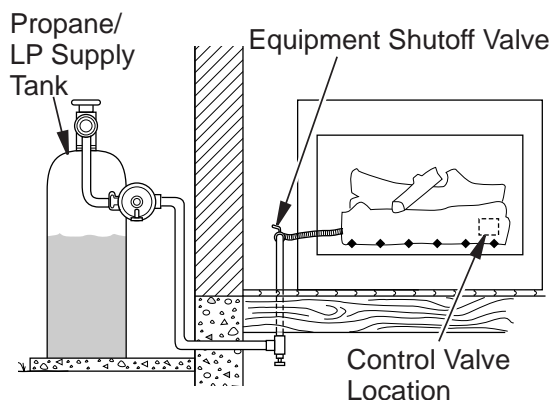
3. Check all joints from gas meter to equipment shutoff valve for natural gas or propane/LP supply to equipment shutoff valve for propane/LP (see **Figure 16 or 17**). Apply a noncorrosive leak detection fluid to gas joints. Bubbles forming show a leak.
4. Correct all leaks at once.
6. Light heater (see *Operation, Pages 17*). Check all other internal joints for leaks.
7. Turn off heater (see *To Turn Off Gas to Appliance, Page 19*).

## PRESSURE TESTING HEATER GAS CONNECTIONS

1. Open equipment shutoff valve (see **Figure 15, Page 15**).
2. 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.
4. Check all joints from equipment shutoff valve to control valve (see **Figure 16 or 17**). Apply a noncorrosive leak detection fluid to gas joints. Bubbles forming show a leak.
5. Correct all leaks at once.



**Figure 16 - Checking Gas Joints for Natural Gas**



**Figure 17 - Checking Gas Joints for Propane/LP Gas**

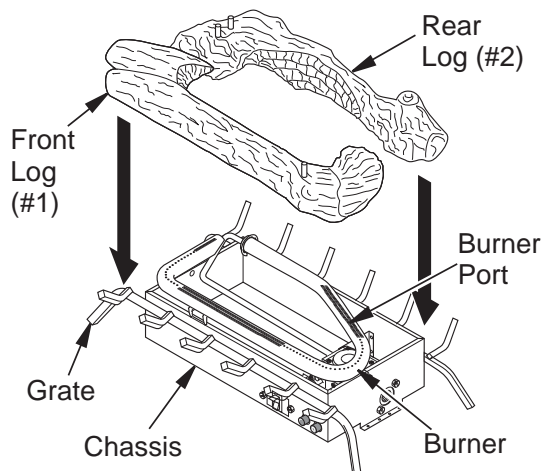
## INSTALLING LOGS

**⚠ 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.

**⚠ CAUTION:** After installation and periodically thereafter, check to ensure that no flame comes in contact with any log. With the heater set to High, check to see if flames contact any log. If so, reposition logs according to the log installation instructions in this manual. Flames contacting logs will create soot.

It is very important to install the logs exactly as instructed. Do not modify logs. Only use logs supplied with heater.

1. Place front log (#1) and rear log (#2) on grate to fit as shown in **Figure 18**.
2. Place center insert log (#3) as shown in **Figure 19, Page 17**.



**Figure 18 - Installing Front (#1) and Rear (#2) Logs**

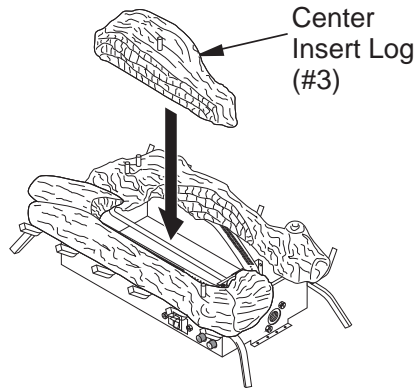
## INSTALLATION

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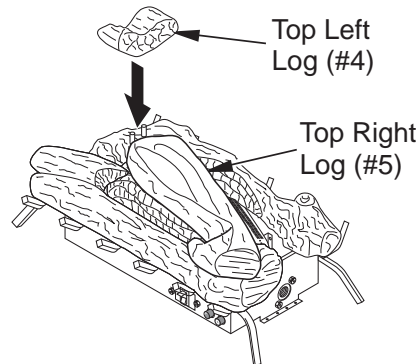
3. Place top left log (#4) and top right log (#5) as shown in **Figure 20**.
4. Make sure open areas of logs line up with burner ports (see **Figure 21**). Logs will fit securely on chassis.

**IMPORTANT:** Make sure log does not cover any burner ports.

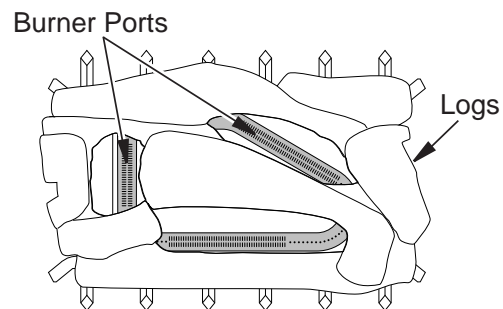
5. Place volcanic stone around base of heater if desired.



**Figure 19 - Installing Center Insert Log (#3)**



**Figure 20 - Installing Top Left (#4) and Top Right Log (#5)**



**Figure 21 - Installing Log set (Top View)**

## OPERATION

### 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.

## OPERATION

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#### LIGHTING INSTRUCTIONS

##### **⚠ WARNING:**

- 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. Make sure there are no obstructions across openings of fireplace.
- 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. Open damper or window to vent smell. This will only last a few hours.

**NOTE:** Homeowners 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.**

1. STOP! Read the safety information, **Page 17**.
2. Make sure equipment shutoff valve is fully open.
3. Set switch in OFF position.

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

4. Press in and turn control knob clockwise  to the OFF position.
5. 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, **Page 17**. 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 22**).

**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.


7. With control knob pressed in, press and release igniter button. This will light pilot. The pilot is attached to the front burner. If needed, keep pressing igniter 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, Page 19**.

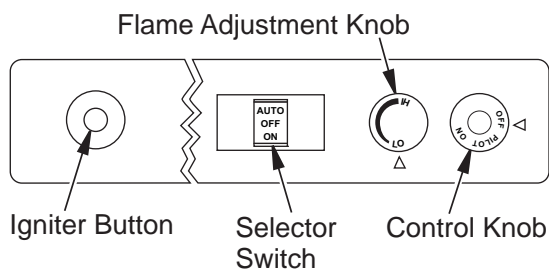
8. Keep control knob pressed in for 30 seconds after lighting pilot. After 30 seconds, release control knob.

• 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.

9. Slightly push in and turn control knob counterclockwise  to the ON position.
10. Wait one minute and switch selector switch to the ON position to light burner.

**NOTE:** AUTO is only functional when using GWMT1, or GWMS2 optional accessories.



**Figure 22 - Control Knob and Igniter Button Location (Shown as Supplied, No Control Options)**



## OPERATION

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11. Set flame adjustment knob to any level between HI and LO.
12. To leave pilot lit and shut off burners only, turn control knob clockwise to the PILOT position, use remote control manual OFF button, then set selector switch in the OFF position.

**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.

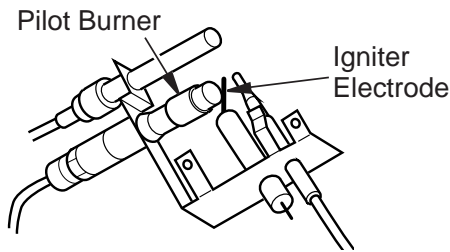


Figure 23 - Natural Gas Pilot

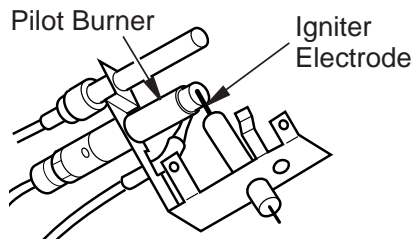


Figure 24 - Propane/LP Gas Pilot

### TO TURN OFF GAS TO APPLIANCE

#### Shutting Off Heater

1. 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.
3. Close equipment shutoff valve (see Figure 15, Page 15).

### MANUAL LIGHTING PROCEDURE

1. Follow steps 1 through 6 under *Lighting Instructions*, Page 18.
2. Press control knob and light pilot with match.
3. Keep control knob pressed in for 30 seconds after lighting pilot. After 30 seconds, release control knob. Now follow steps 9 through 11 under *Lighting Instructions*, Page 18.

### OPTIONAL HAND-HELD REMOTE OPERATION

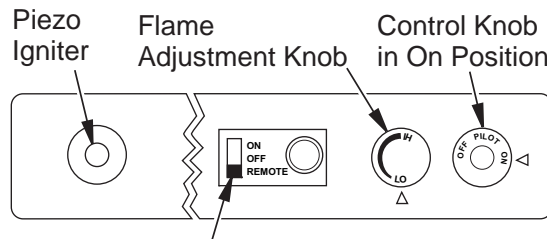
All remote control accessories must be purchased separately (see *Accessories*, Page 29). Follow instructions included with the remote control.

**NOTICE:** You must light the pilot before using the hand-held remote control unit. See *Lighting Instructions* on Page 18.

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 (see Figure 25).

**NOTE:** The burner may light if hand-held remote was on when selector switch was last turned off. You can now turn the burner on and off with the hand-held remote control unit.

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



Selector Switch in Remote Position (Optional Hand-Held Remote Control)

Figure 25 - Setting the Selector Switch, Control Knob, and Flame Adjustment Knob for Hand-Held Remote Operation

## INSPECTING BURNERS

Check pilot flame pattern and burner flame patterns often.

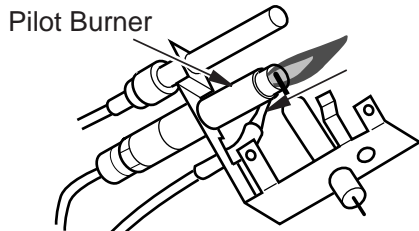
### PILOT FLAME PATTERN

**Figure 28** shows a correct pilot flame pattern. **Figure 29** shows an incorrect pilot flame pattern. The incorrect pilot flame is not touching the thermocouple. When the thermocouple cools, the heater will shut down.

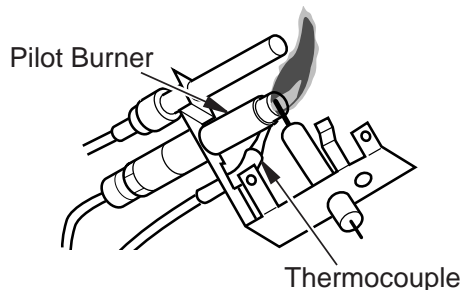
If pilot flame pattern is incorrect, as shown in **Figure 29**

- turn heater off (see To Turn Off Gas to Appliance, Page 19)
- see Troubleshooting, Page 23

**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 28 - Correct Pilot Flame Pattern (Propane/LP Pilot Shown)**



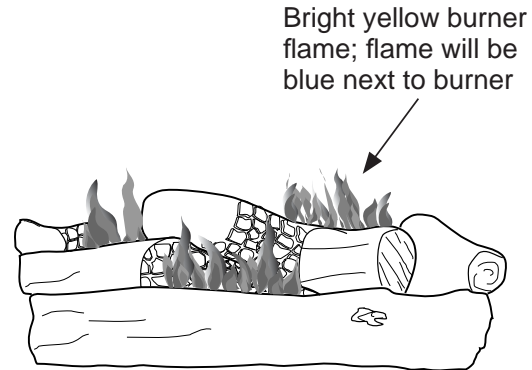
**Figure 29 - Incorrect Pilot Flame Pattern (Propane/LP Pilot Shown)**

### BURNER FLAME PATTERN

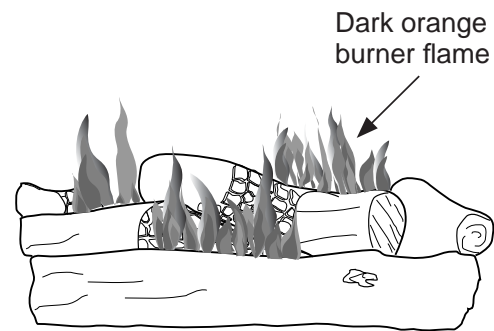
**Figure 30**, shows a correct burner flame pattern. **Figure 31**, shows an incorrect burner flame pattern.

If burner flame pattern is incorrect as shown in **Figure 31**

- turn heater off (see To Turn Off Gas to Appliance, Page 19)
- see Troubleshooting, Page 23



**Figure 30 - Correct Flame Pattern**



**Figure 31 - Incorrect Flame Pattern**

### BURNER PRIMARY AIR HOLES

Air is drawn into the burner through the holes in the fitting at the burner entrance. These holes may become blocked with dust or lint. Periodically inspect these holes for any blockage and clean if needed. Blocked air holes will create soot.

### MAIN BURNER

Periodically inspect all burner flame holes with the heater running. All slotted burner flame holes should be open with yellow flame present. All round burner flame holes should be open with a small blue flame present. Some burner flame holes may become blocked by debris or rust, with no flame present. If so, turn off heater and let cool. Remove blockage, blocked burner flame holes will create soot.

## CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

**⚠ WARNING: Turn off heater and let cool before cleaning.**

**⚠ CAUTION: You must keep control areas, burner 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, bedding material, pet hair, etc.**

**⚠ WARNING: Failure to keep the primary air opening(s) of the burner(s) clean may result in sooting and property damage.**

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

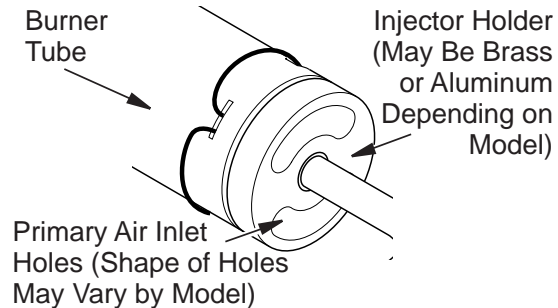
The primary air inlet holes allow the proper amount of air to mix with the gas. This provides a clean burning flame. Keep these holes clear of dust, dirt, lint, and pet hair. Clean these air inlet holes prior to each heating season. Blocked air holes will create soot. We recommend that you clean the 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. 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.

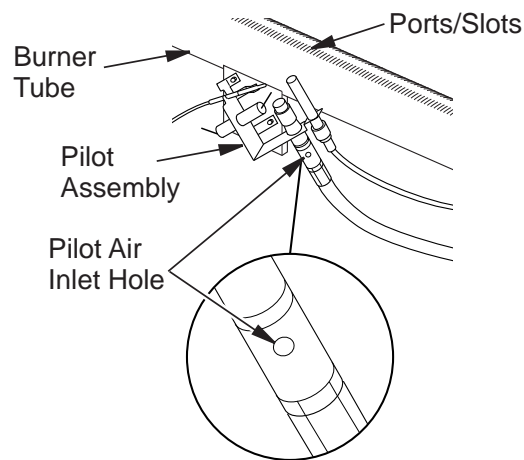
1. Shut off unit, including pilot. Allow unit to cool for at least thirty minutes.
2. Inspect burner, pilot, and primary air inlet holes on injector holder for dust and dirt (see **Figure 32**).
3. Blow air through the ports/slots and holes in the burner.

4. Check 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.
5. Blow air into the primary air holes on the injector holder.
6. 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 2" from where the pilot flame comes out of pilot assembly (see **Figure 33**). 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.



**Figure 32 - Injector Holder On Outlet Burner Tube**



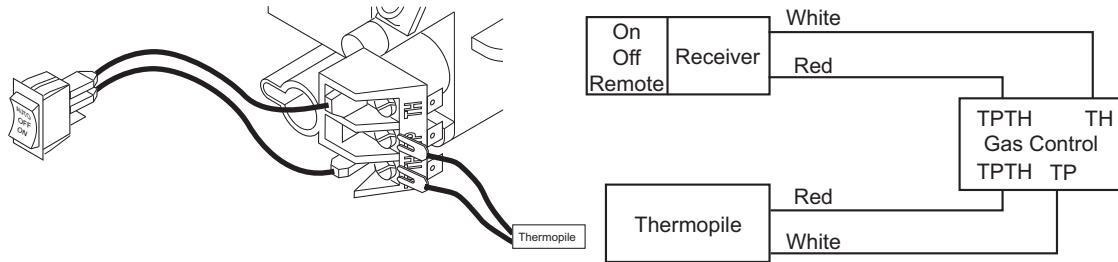
**Figure 33 - Pilot Inlet Air Hole**

### LOGS

- If you remove logs for cleaning, refer to Installing Logs, **Page 16**, to properly replace logs.
- Replace log(s) if broken or chipped (dime-sized or larger).

## WIRING DIAGRAM

**NOTE:** For proper operation of optional accessories, the wires from the switch to the control must be connected exactly as shown.



**CAUTION:** Label all wires prior to disconnection when servicing controls. Wiring errors can cause improper and dangerous operation. Verify proper operation after servicing.

## SPECIFICATIONS

### FVFM27NR

- Rating (Variable): 20,000/39,000 Btu/Hr
- Gas Type: Natural Gas
- Ignition: Piezo
- Manifold Pressure: 3.5" W.C.
- Inlet Gas Pressure (in. of water):  
Maximum 10.5" W.C., Minimum\* 5" W.C.
- Shipping Weight: 32 lbs.

### FVFM27PR

- Rating (Variable): 20,000/39,000 Btu/Hr
- Gas Type: Propane/LP
- Ignition: Piezo
- Manifold Pressure: 8" W.C.
- Inlet Gas Pressure (in. of water):  
Maximum 14" W.C., Minimum\* 11" W.C.
- Shipping Weight: 32 lbs.

\*For purpose of input adjustment

## REPLACEMENT PARTS

See **Pages 27-28** for a complete replacement parts list. Use only parts supplied from the manufacturer.

Normally, all parts should be ordered through your IHP distributor or dealer. Parts will be shipped at prevailing prices at time of order.

**NEVER USE SUBSTITUTE MATERIALS. USE OF NON-APPROVED PARTS CAN RESULT IN POOR PERFORMANCE AND SAFETY HAZARDS.**

**When ordering repair parts, always give the following information:**

1. The model number of the appliance.
2. The serial number of the appliance.
3. The part number.
4. The description of the part.
5. The quantity required.
6. The installation date of the appliance.

If you encounter any problems or have any questions concerning the installation or application of this appliance, please contact your dealer.

## SERVICE HINTS

### When Gas Pressure Is Too Low

- pilot will not stay lit
- burners will have delayed ignition
- appliance 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. Please contact your IHP dealer for any questions or concerns. When contacting your dealer please have your model and serial numbers of your appliance ready. You can also visit our web site at [SuperiorFireplaces.us.com](http://SuperiorFireplaces.us.com).

## TROUBLESHOOTING

**⚠ WARNING:** Turn off heater and let cool before servicing. Only a qualified service person should service and repair heater.

**⚠ CAUTION:** Never use a wire, needle or similar object to clean ODS/pilot. This can damage ODS/pilot unit.

**NOTE:** All troubleshooting items are listed in order of operation.

| OBSERVED PROBLEM  | POSSIBLE CAUSE   | REMEDY   |
|---|--|--|
| When igniter button is pressed, there is no spark at ODS/pilot              | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Igniter electrode not connected to igniter cable</li> <li>2. Igniter cable pinched or wet</li> <li>3. Piezo igniter nut is loose</li> <li>4. Broken igniter cable</li> <li>5. Bad piezo igniter</li> <li>6. Igniter electrode broken</li> <li>7. Igniter electrode positioned wrong</li> </ol>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Reconnect igniter cable</li> <li>2. Free igniter cable if pinched by any metal or tubing. Keep igniter cable dry</li> <li>3. Tighten nut holding piezo igniter to base panel of log set. Nut is located behind base panel</li> <li>4. Replace igniter cable</li> <li>5. Replace piezo igniter</li> <li>6. Replace pilot assembly</li> <li>7. Replace pilot assembly</li> </ol>   |
| When igniter button is pressed, there is spark at ODS/pilot but no ignition | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Gas supply turned off or equipment shutoff valve closed</li> <li>2. Control knob not in PILOT position</li> <li>3. Control knob not pressed in while in PILOT position</li> <li>4. Air in gas lines when installed</li> <li>5. Depleted gas supply (propane/LP gas)</li> <li>6. ODS/pilot is clogged</li> <li>7. Gas regulator setting is not correct</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Turn on gas supply or open equipment shutoff valve</li> <li>2. Turn control knob to PILOT position</li> <li>3. Press in control knob while in PILOT position</li> <li>4. Continue holding down control knob. Repeat igniting operation until air is removed</li> <li>5. Contact local propane/LP gas company</li> <li>6. Clean ODS/pilot (see <i>Cleaning and Maintenance, Page 21</i>) or replace ODS/pilot assembly</li> <li>7. Replace gas control</li> </ol> |



# TROUBLESHOOTING

## *Continued*

| OBSERVED PROBLEM  | POSSIBLE CAUSE  | REMEDY   |
|---|---|--|
| ODS/pilot lights but flame goes out when control knob is released | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Control knob not fully pressed in</li> <li>Control knob not pressed in long enough</li> <li>Equipment shutoff valve not fully open</li> <li>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:<br/>A) Low gas pressure<br/>B) Dirty or partially clogged ODS/pilot</li> <li>Thermocouple connection loose at control valve</li> <li>Thermocouple damaged</li> <li>Control valve damaged</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Press in control knob fully</li> <li>After ODS/pilot lights, keep control knob pressed in 30 seconds</li> <li>Fully open equipment shutoff valve</li> <li>A) Contact local natural or propane/LP gas company<br/><br/>B) Clean ODS/pilot (see <u><i>Cleaning and Maintenance, Page 21</i></u>) or replace ODS/pilot assembly</li> <li>Hand tighten until snug, then tighten 1/4 turn more</li> <li>Replace pilot assembly</li> <li>Replace control valve</li> </ol> |
| Burner does not light after ODS/pilot is lit                      | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Burner orifice clogged</li> <li>Inlet gas pressure is too low</li> <li>Thermopile leads disconnected or improperly connected</li> <li>Burners will not come on in remote position</li> </ol>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clean burner (see <u><i>Cleaning and Maintenance, Page 21</i></u>) or replace burner orifice</li> <li>Contact local natural or propane/LP gas company</li> <li>Reconnect leads (see <u><i>Wiring Diagram, Page 22</i></u>)</li> <li>Replace battery in transmitter and receiver</li> </ol>  |
| Delayed ignition burner   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Manifold pressure is too low</li> <li>Burner orifice clogged</li> </ol>  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact local natural or propane/LP gas company</li> <li>Clean burner (see <u><i>Cleaning and Maintenance, Page 21</i></u>) or replace burner orifice</li> </ol>  |
| Burner backfiring during combustion                               | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Burner orifice is clogged or damaged</li> <li>Damaged burner</li> <li>Gas regulator defective</li> </ol>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clean burner ((see <u><i>Cleaning and Maintenance, Page 21</i></u>) or replace burner orifice</li> <li>Replace damaged burner</li> <li>Replace gas control</li> </ol>   |
| Slight smoke or odor during initial operation                     | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not enough air</li> <li>Gas regulator defective</li> <li>Residues from manufacturing processes and logs curing</li> </ol>  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check burner for dirt and debris. If found, clean burner (see <u><i>Cleaning and Maintenance, Page 21</i></u>)</li> <li>Replace gas control</li> <li>Problem will stop after a few hours of operation</li> </ol>  |

## TROUBLESHOOTING

### *Continued*

| OBSERVED PROBLEM   | POSSIBLE CAUSE   | REMEDY  |
|--|--|---|
| Moisture/condensation noticed on windows   | 1. Not enough combustion/ventilation air   | 1. Refer to <u><i>Air for Combustion and Ventilation</i></u> requirements ( <b>Page 6</b> )   |
| Heater produces a whistling noise when burner is lit                             | 1. Turning control knob to HI position when burner is cold<br><br>2. Air in gas line<br><br><br>3. Air passageways on heater blocked<br><br>4. Dirty or partially clogged burner orifice | 1. Turn control knob to LO position and let warm up for a minute<br>2. Operate burner until air is removed from line. Have gas line checked by local natural or propane/LP gas company<br>3. Observe minimum installation clearances (see <b><i>Pages 10 through 12</i></b> )<br>4. Clean burner (see <u><i>Cleaning and Maintenance</i></u> , <b>Page 21</b> ) or replace burner orifice |
| White powder residue forming within burner box or on adjacent walls or furniture | 1. When heated, vapors from furniture polish, wax, carpet cleaners, etc. may turn into white powder residue  | 1. Turn heater off when using furniture polish, wax, carpet cleaners, or similar products   |
| Remote does not function   | 1. Battery is not installed. Battery power is low  | 1. Replace 9-volt batteries in receiver and hand-held remote  |
| Heater produces a clicking/ticking noise just after burner is lit or shut off    | 1. Metal expanding while heating or contracting while cooling  | 1. This is normal with most heaters. If noise is excessive, contact qualified service person  |

## TROUBLESHOOTING

### *Continued*

- ⚠ WARNING: 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 unwanted odors                     | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Heater burning vapors from paint, hair spray, glues, cleaners, chemicals, new carpet, etc. (See <b>IMPORTANT</b> statement above)</li> <li>2. Gas leak. See <b>Warning statement at top of page</b></li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Open window and ventilate room. Stop using odor causing products while heater is running</li> <li>2. Locate and correct all leaks (see <u>Checking Gas Connections</u>, <b>Page 15</b>)</li> </ol> |
| Heater shuts off in use (ODS operates)             | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Not enough fresh air is available</li> <li>2. Low line pressure</li> <li>3. ODS/pilot is partially clogged</li> </ol>  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Open window and/or door for ventilation</li> <li>2. Contact local natural or propane/LP gas company</li> <li>3. Clean ODS/pilot (see <u>Cleaning and Maintenance</u>, <b>Page 21</b>)</li> </ol>   |
| Gas odor even when control knob is in OFF position | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Gas leak. See <b>Warning statement at top of page</b></li> <li>2. Control valve defective</li> </ol>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Locate and correct all leaks (see <u>Checking Gas Connections</u>, <b>Page 15</b>)</li> <li>2. Replace control valve</li> </ol>  |
| Gas odor during combustion                         | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Foreign matter between control valve and burner</li> <li>2. Gas leak. See <b>Warning statement at top of page</b></li> </ol>   | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Take apart gas tubing and remove foreign matter</li> <li>2. Locate and correct all leaks (see <u>Checking Gas Connections</u>, <b>Page 15</b>)</li> </ol>  |

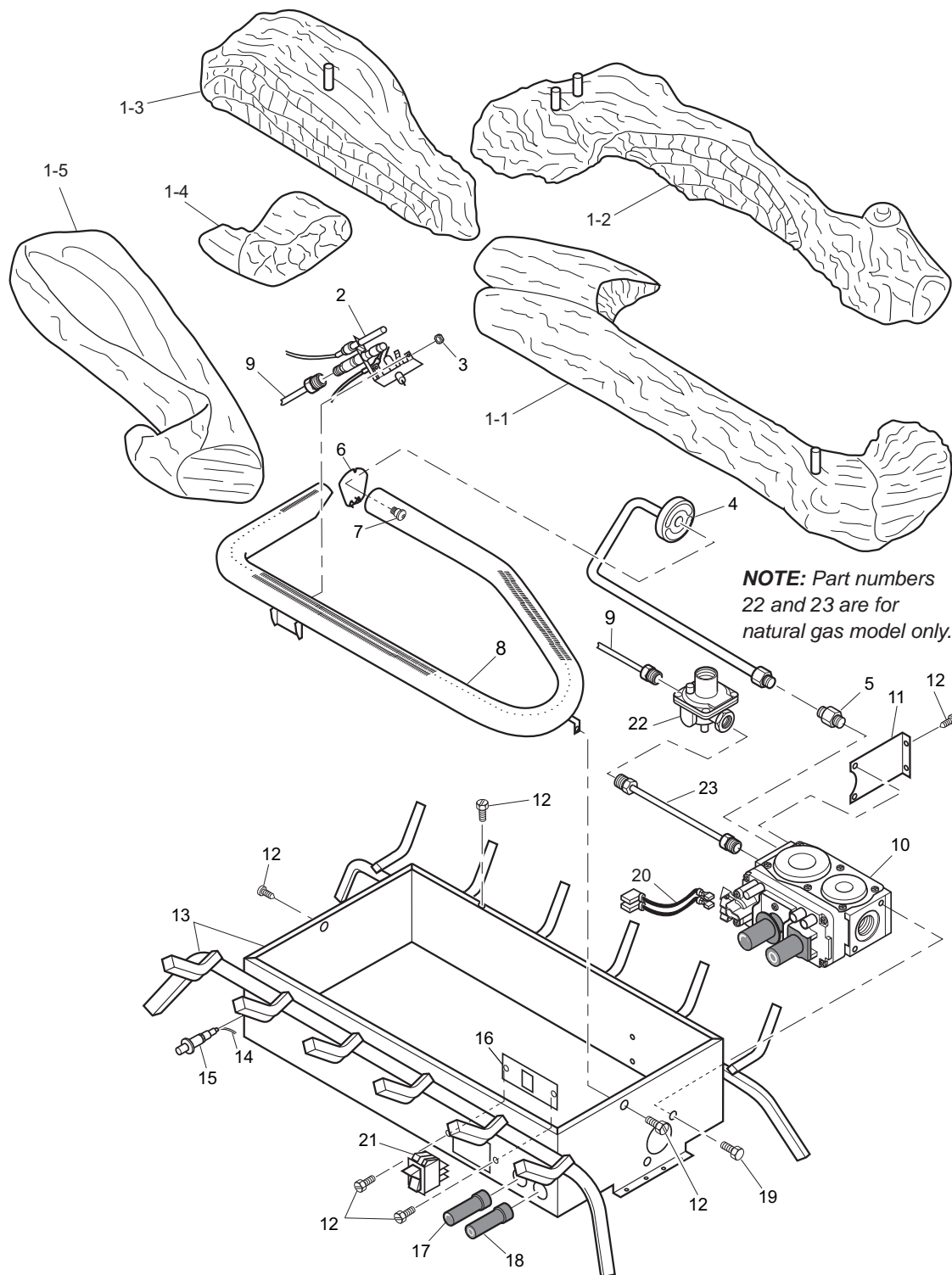
# PARTS

## MODELS

### FVFM27NR AND FVFM27PR

| CAT. NO. | MODEL    |
|----------|----------|
| F0073    | FVFM27NR |
| F0074    | FVFM27PR |

**⚠ 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.



## PARTS

This list contains replaceable parts used in your heater. When ordering parts, follow the instructions listed under Replacement Parts on **Page 22** of this manual.

| KEY                                | PART NUMBER |          |                                 |      |
|------------------------------------|-------------|----------|---------------------------------|------|
| NO.                                | FVFM27NR    | FVFM27PR | DESCRIPTION                     | QTY. |
| 1a                                 | J3904       | J3904    | One Piece Log Set               | 1    |
| 1b                                 | J4454       | J4454    | Five Piece Log Set              | 1    |
| 1-1                                | J4436       | J4436    | Front Log (#1)                  | 1    |
| 1-2                                | J4437       | J4437    | Rear Log (#2)                   | 1    |
| 1-3                                | J4438       | J4438    | Top Left Log (#3)               | 1    |
| 1-4                                | J4439       | J4439    | Top Right Log (#4)              | 1    |
| 1-5                                | J4440       | J4440    | Top Center Log (#5)             | 1    |
| 2                                  | J3831       | J3830    | ODS Pilot                       | 1    |
| 3                                  | J3558       | J3558    | ODS Nut                         | 2    |
| 4                                  | J8087       | J8088    | Burner Outlet Tube              | 1    |
| 5                                  | J3562       | J3562    | Male Connector                  | 1    |
| 6                                  | J8089       | J8089    | Burner Retainer Spring          | 1    |
| 7                                  | J3604       | J3605    | Burner Orifice Injector         | 1    |
| 8                                  | J3900       | J3900    | Burner                          | 1    |
| 9                                  | J3660       | J8090    | Pilot Tube (Regulator to Pilot) | 1    |
| 10                                 | J3836       | J3837    | Gas Control Valve               | 1    |
| 11                                 | J8091       | J8091    | Lower Bracket                   | 1    |
| 12                                 | J3574       | J3574    | Screw, #8 x 0.38                | 7    |
| 13                                 | **          | **       | Painted Base Assembly           | 1    |
| 14                                 | J3569       | J3569    | Igniter Cable                   | 1    |
| 15                                 | J3746       | J3746    | Piezo Igniter                   | 1    |
| 16                                 | J3821       | J3821    | Switch Plate                    | 1    |
| 17                                 | J3841       | J3841    | Flame Adjustment Knob           | 1    |
| 18                                 | J3840       | J3840    | Off-Pilot-On Knob               | 1    |
| 19                                 | J1961       | J1961    | Screw, Hex Slr Wsr 10-32 x 0.38 | 4    |
| 20                                 | J3794       | J3794    | Wiring Harness                  | 1    |
| 21                                 | J3656       | J3656    | Switch                          | 1    |
| 22                                 | J3654       | —        | Pilot Regulator                 | 1    |
| 23                                 | J3632       | —        | Pilot Tube (Valve to Regulator) | 1    |
| <b>PARTS AVAILABLE — NOT SHOWN</b> |             |          |                                 |      |
|                                    | J3658       | J3658    | Warning Plate                   | 1    |
|                                    | J3846       | J3846    | Lighting Instructions Plate     | 1    |
|                                    | J3662       | J8092    | Caution Decal                   | 1    |
|                                    | J3689       | J3689    | Hardware Kit                    | 1    |
|                                    | J3692       | J3692    | Stone                           | 2    |

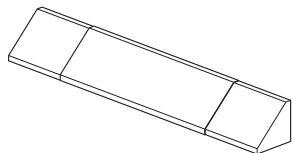
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## ACCESSORIES

Purchase these appliance accessories from your local dealer. If they can not supply these accessories, contact IHP at [SuperiorFireplaces.us.com](http://SuperiorFireplaces.us.com) for referral information. You can also write to the address listed on the back page of this manual.

**Only kits supplied by IHP shall be used in the installation of this appliance. Use of non-approved accessory/part kit(s) can result in poor performance and safety hazards.**



### FIREPLACE HOOD, BLACK

**Cat. No. F1764, Model GA6050**

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

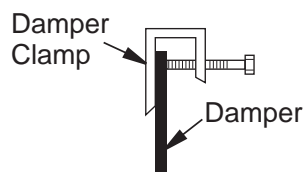


### DECORATIVE ASH BED / CONTROL COVER KIT (SIX PACK)

**Cat. No. F1759, Model CDABKA-6**

### DECORATIVE ASH BED / CONTROL COVER KIT

**Cat. No. F0246, Model CDABKA**



### DAMPER CLAMP

**(Required in vented applications)**

**Cat. No. F1760, Model GA6080**

**For all models.** Permanently opens chimney flue damper for vented operation. This is included with all models.



### VOLCANIC STONE

**Cat. No. 80L42, Model FDVS**

**For all models.** Order when additional volcanic stone is desired.



### FLOOR MEDIA KIT

**Cat. No. F1762, Model FM100**

**For all models.** Includes volcanic stone, burner embers, and burner cinders

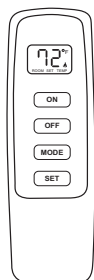


### GAS APPLIANCE INSTALLATION KIT

**Cat. No. F0249, Model CIKA**

## ACCESSORIES

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#### **RECEIVER AND HAND-HELD THERMOSTAT REMOTE CONTROL KIT** **Cat. No. F1078, Model TRC**

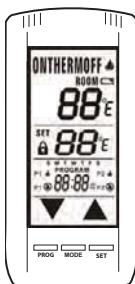
**For all models.** Allows the fireplace to be operated in a manually or thermostatically controlled mode. You can turn the fireplace on and off without ever leaving the comfort of your easy chair.



#### **ON/OFF REMOTE AND RECEIVER WITH WHITE WALL PLATE**

**Cat. No. F2236, Model RCKIT 4001**

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



#### **RECEIVER AND REMOTE CONTROL KIT** **Cat. No. F1079, Model TSRC**

**For all Remote-Ready Models.** Allows the burner system to be operated in a manually or thermostatically controlled mode. Remote is programmable for your convenience and has a large bright LCD Touch Screen for easy use.



#### **WALL-MOUNT THERMOSTAT SWITCH**

**Cat. No. F2040, Model GWMT1**

**For all 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. Includes thermostat assembly, 25' of wire and two mounting screws.



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

**Cat. No. F0245, Model GWMS2**

**For all models.** Allows the gas log heater to be turned on and off with a wall switch.

## Innovative Hearth Products Superior® Brand Gas Log Set Limited Three Year Warranty

### THE WARRANTY

Innovative Hearth Products Limited Three Year Warranty ("IHP") warrants your Superior® brand Gas Log Set ("Product") to be free from defects in materials and workmanship at the time of manufacture. The logs and grate carry the Limited Three Year Warranty. After installation, if covered components manufactured by IHP are found to be defective in materials or workmanship during the Limited Three Year Warranty period and while the Product remains at the site of the original installation, IHP will, at its option, repair or replace the covered components. If repair or replacement is not commercially practical, IHP will, at its option, refund the purchase price or wholesale price of the IHP product, whichever is applicable. IHP will also pay IHP prevailing labor rates, as determined in its sole discretion, incurred in repairing or replacing such components. THERE ARE EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS to this Limited Three Year Warranty as described herein.

### COVERAGE COMMENCEMENT DATE

Warranty coverage begins on the date of purchase. In the case of new home construction, warranty coverage begins on the date of first occupancy of the dwelling or six months after the sale of the Product by an independent IHP dealer, whichever occurs earlier. The warranty shall commence no later than 24 months following the date of product shipment from IHP, regardless of the installation or occupancy date.

### EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS

This Limited Three Year Warranty applies only if the Product is installed in the United States or Canada and only if operated and maintained in accordance with the printed instructions accompanying the Product and in compliance with all applicable installation and building codes and good trade practices.

This warranty is non-transferable and extends to the original owner only. The Product must be purchased through a listed supplier of IHP and proof of purchase must be provided. The following do not carry the Limited Three Year Warranty but are warranted as follows:

**Gas components** – Repair or replacement for one year from the date of installation.

**Remote control** – Repair or replacement for one year from the date of installation.

**Labor coverage** – Prevailing IHP labor rates apply for the warranty period of the component.

**Parts not otherwise listed carry a 90 day warranty from the date of installation.**

**Whenever practicable, IHP will provide replacement parts, if available, for a period of 10 years from the last date of manufacture of the product.**

IHP will not be responsible for: (a) damages caused by normal wear and tear, accident, riot, fire, flood or acts of God; (b) damages caused by abuse, negligence, misuse, or unauthorized alteration or repair of the Product affecting its stability or performance (The Product must be subjected to normal use. The Product is designed to burn either natural or propane gas only. Burning conventional fuels such as wood, coal or any other solid fuel will cause damage to the Product, will produce excessive temperatures and could result in a fire hazard.); (c) damages caused by failing to provide proper maintenance and service in accordance with the instructions provided with the Product; (d) damages, repairs or inefficiency resulting from faulty installation or application of the Product.

This Limited Three Year Warranty covers only parts and labor as provided herein. In no case shall IHP be responsible for materials, components or construction which are not manufactured or supplied by IHP or for the labor necessary to install, repair or remove such materials, components or construction. Additional utility bills incurred due to any malfunction or defect in equipment are not covered by this warranty. All replacement or repair components will be shipped F.O.B. from the nearest stocking IHP factory.

### LIMITATION ON LIABILITY

It is expressly agreed and understood that IHP's sole obligation and the purchaser's exclusive remedy under this warranty, under any other warranty, expressed or implied, or in contract, tort or otherwise, shall be limited to replacement, repair, or refund, as specified herein.

In no event shall IHP be liable for any incidental or consequential damages caused by defects in the Product, whether such damage occurs or is discovered before or after replacement or repair, and whether such damage is caused by IHP's negligence. IHP has not made and does not make any representation or warranty of fitness for a particular use or purpose, and there is no implied condition of fitness for a particular use or purpose.

IHP makes no expressed warranties except as stated in this Limited Three Year Warranty. The duration of any implied warranty is limited to the duration of this expressed warranty.

No one is authorized to change this Limited Three Year Warranty or to create for IHP any other obligation or liability in connection with the Product. Some states and provinces do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations or exclusions may not apply to you. The provisions of this Limited Three Year Warranty are in addition to and not a modification of or subtraction from any statutory warranties and other rights and remedies provided by law.

### INVESTIGATION OF CLAIMS AGAINST WARRANTY

IHP reserves the right to investigate any and all claims against this Limited Three Year Warranty and to decide, in its sole discretion, upon the method of settlement.

To receive the benefits and advantages described in this Limited Three Year Warranty, the appliance must be installed and repaired by a licensed contractor approved by IHP.

Contact IHP at the address provided herein to obtain a listing of approved dealers/distributors. **IHP shall in no event be responsible for any warranty work done by a contractor that is not approved without first obtaining LHP's prior written consent.**

### HOW TO REGISTER A CLAIM AGAINST WARRANTY

In order for any claim under this warranty to be valid, you must contact the IHP dealer/distributor from which you purchased the product. If you cannot locate the dealer/distributor, then you must notify IHP in writing. IHP must be notified of the claimed defect in writing within 90 days of the date of failure. Notices should be directed to the IHP Warranty Department at 1769 East Lawrence Street, Russellville, AL 35654 or visit our website at [WWW.SUPERIORFIREPLACES.US.COM](http://WWW.SUPERIORFIREPLACES.US.COM).

**SuperiorFireplaces.us.com**

Record the following important information about your appliance:

|                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| Appliance model number       |  |
| Appliance serial number      |  |
| Date appliance was Installed |  |
| Type of gas appliance uses   |  |
| Dealer name                  |  |

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