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COMPLETE DROP IN FIRE PITS

(All Sizes: SS90, SS90 DSI, SS150 DSI & SS300 DSI)



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

We recommend that our products be installed and serviced by professionals who are certified in the U.S. by NFI (National Fireplace Institute) or in Canada by WETT (Wood Energy Technical Training). Installer must follow all instructions carefully to ensure proper performance and safety.

INSTALLATION PREPARATION

Please carefully follow the steps below when: 1) Selecting the Location. 2) Construction of the Enclosure. 3) Installation of the Complete Fire Pit. **It is the responsibility of the installer to follow all Local and State Codes concerning the installation and operation of the fire pit.**

The steps listed as **WARRANTY REQUIREMENT** must be strictly followed to qualify for product 3 year warranty. **Warranty will be void if not followed.**

1) SELECTING THE LOCATION:

WARNING: COMPLETE FIRE PITS ARE DESIGNED STRICTLY FOR **OUTDOOR USE ONLY**. HEARTH PRODUCTS CONTROLS CO. MUST BE NOTIFIED OF ANY OTHER USE.

WARNING: FIRE PITS CREATE VERY HIGH TEMPERATURES- IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT COMBUSTIBLES BE KEPT AT SAFE DISTANCES.

- **WARRANTY REQUIREMENT:** For installation of 110vac powered control systems, it is required to install a wall switch on the fire pit main power line away from the pit enclosure to prevent unauthorized ignition of the fire pit.
- **WARRANTY REQUIREMENT:** The fire pit location must accommodate a gas shut off within **4 feet** of the fire pit. Gas shut off must be outside of fire pit. The gas line should be a minimum of 3/4" or larger based on fire pit size.

- To enjoy your fire pit, select a well drained location that allows for sufficient clearance from combustible materials.
- Choose a location that allows easy access for installation and maintenance of the fire pit. Make sure that trees and shrubbery are well clear around and above the fire pit.
- Pick a location that allows sufficient horizontal room to enjoy the fire pit while allowing a safe distance from the heat and flame.
- Select a location where the fire pit can be attended during operation. Never leave an operating fire pit unattended or by someone not familiar with its operation or emergency shut off locations.

Wooden surfaces must be located far enough away that they do not reach a temperature of more than 100 degrees F plus ambient air temperature. **Example:** If surrounding air temperature is 70, the wood surface temperature must stay at or below 170 degrees F.

Complete Fire Pit with Valve box

Under Valve Box	6"
Sides Surrounding Fire Pit	14"
Above Fire Pit	96"

2) CONSTRUCTION OF THE ENCLOSURE:

WARNING: THERE MUST BE AN ELECTRICAL AND GAS SHUTOFF ON THE EXTERIOR OF THE FIRE PIT TO ALLOW FOR EASY ACCESS IN THE CASE OF AN EMERGENCY.

WARNING: ALWAYS USE PROPER MATERIALS AND CONSTRUCTION FOR GAS SUPPLY, POWER, AND ENCLOSURE.

- A template is provided with your fire pit that can be used to draw the I.D. of the enclosure. Simply trace the circumference of the template with a marking device to provide a visual aid, and then erect your stone or brick structure around the marking. The enclosure I.D. will be the size of your Complete Fire Pit + 1.25". Example: 25" Fire Pit + 1.25" = 26.25" enclosure I.D. If using installation collar (optional), the template can still be used.
- **WARRANTY REQUIREMENT:** The enclosure must be constructed on a stable surface. Make sure that the fire pit is high enough that the control box is above the grade to prevent water damage to the controls inside the box. **NEVER** install a fire pit below ground level. Drainage must be provided for the enclosure to prevent water accumulation leading to damage to components in the valve box.
- **WARRANTY REQUIREMENT:** The enclosure must incorporate a vent on at least one side at a minimum size of **18 sq. inches** (Example: 3"x 6" or larger) to allow heat within the enclosure to escape from void around valve box. Failure to do so will result in the fire pit automatically shutting down when internal valve box temperature reaches 175° F. This could lead to heat damage to internal components. **Some enclosures may require more ventilation based on material, size, and extended use.** This vent may work as a drain as well to prevent water build up in enclosure.
- **WARRANTY REQUIREMENT:** The interior void space of the enclosure surrounding the valve box cannot be filled with any material (gravel, crushed rock, concrete, etc.)- It is a requirement to have a **minimum of 6"** under the valve box for proper ventilation.
- Select materials that are non-combustible in both initial installation as well as over time.
- Make sure that the structure is level. We recommend the use of the installation collar (optional) that may be mortared into the surround.

3) INSTALLATION OF THE COMPLETE FIREPIT ASSEMBLY:

- **WARRANTY REQUIREMENT:** The fire pit assembly should be **recessed a minimum of 4"** from the top of the enclosure to protect flame from being blown out. Some areas may require more- 8" is not uncommon.
- **WARRANTY REQUIREMENT:** All firepits come with a 2' x 2' sheet of insulation between the pan and valve box to protect internal components from heat damage. This may need to be trimmed on smaller enclosures for proper fit. PLEASE USE THIS AT ALL TIMES.
- **Gas Pressure Input:** The input should be: Natural Gas- 5~7" W/C; LP Gas- 13 ~ 15" W/C. Anything above this could damage unit.

- Fill area around and over the ring with lava rock, to a depth of about 1/2" over the ring. Build up the area to as much as 1" in the middle. Lava rock is included in all complete fire pits systems. Use a fireplace poker to move the chunks around to create the flame effect you desire.
- The main gas should already be plumbed to the location of the fire pit area. The 24" flex line coming from the fire pit should be connected to the main gas line. Tighten the flex line fittings to the gas supply stub and to the fire pit. **Avoid sharp bends with flex line to prevent whistling.**
- Turn on main gas supply and check all fittings in and around fire pit for leaks using a leak reactant, leak detector or soapy water. If leaks are found, shut off gas supply repair leaks and retest.
- The 5' power cord can be either tied into the main power supply for use with wall switch or directly plugged into an outlet to use remotely.

COMPLETE FIREPIT OPERATION:

WARNING: BEFORE USE, BE SURE TO TEST ALL GAS CONNECTIONS FOR LEAKS. DO NOT USE FIRE PIT IF THERE IS ANY EVIDENCE OF LEAKING GAS. IF LEAKING GAS IS SUSPECTED, TURN OFF THE MAIN GAS SUPPLY AND REPAIR IMMEDIATELY.

WARNING: WHEN FIRE PIT IS NOT IN OPERATION, ELECTRIC POWER AND GAS SUPPLY MUST BE TURNED OFF AT LOCATION OUTSIDE ENCLOSURE.

WARNING: NEVER USE ANY MATERIAL THAT IS NON-POROUS AND HOLDS MOISTURE LIKE GRAVEL, PEBBLES, RIVER ROCK, ETC. THIS MATERIAL, WHEN HEATED WILL CAUSE THE TRAPPED MOISTURE TO BOIL, AND FRACTURE UNEXPECTEDLY. THIS MATERIAL IS NOT SUFFICIENTLY POROUS TO ALLOW HEATED STEAM TO READILY ESCAPE WHICH CAN BREAK AND CAUSE PERSONAL INJURY OR DAMAGE.

WARNING: LEAVES, STICKS, WOOD, PAPER, CLOTHING, FOOD MATERIAL, SHOULD ALWAYS BE KEPT AWAY FROM THE FIREPIT. MAKE SURE THAT THERE IS NO VEGETATION OR OTHER OBJECTS OVER THE TOP OR SIDES OF THE FIREPIT THAT COULD INTERFERE WITH SAFE & PROPER OPERATION.

WARNING: IF LAVA ROCK IS WET, ALLOW FIRE PIT TO BURN FOR 30 MINUTES PRIOR TO COMING 15 FEET WITHIN FIRE PIT.

Fire Pit Start Up:

Initial Start Up: Several "on / off" cycles may be necessary to purge air in gas lines after pit installation. On pits built for LP (propane) usage, adjust air mixer under pan- turn nut to increase or reduce air mixture to gas.

Normal Operation:

- 1) Turn "on" electrical power and gas to fire pit.
- 2) Confirm there is no debris in fire pit (as mentioned in warnings) including water.
- 3) Using remote or wall switch, turn "on" fire pit- this may take a few cycles to purge any air.
- 4) Once fire pit has ignited, do NOT leave unattended.

OVERHEATING: The firepit will automatically close gas valve if temperature exceeds 175° F inside valve box to prevent component damage. When unit cools below 175° F, the unit will automatically restart. To correct overheating, ensure enclosure has adequate ventilation- see "Construction of Enclosure".

Fire Pit Shutdown:

- 1) Turn "off" fire pit using remote or wall switch.
- 2) Turn "off" electrical power and gas to fire pit.
- 3) Once fire pit has cooled completely, use appropriate cover to protect fire pit.

Fire Pit Maintenance:

- 1) Keep fire pit covered at all times when not in use.
- 2) Keep any debris out of fire pit- clean as needed.
- 3) Flame Sensor Cleaning of Soot:
 - A) **SS90 Series:** Clean Pilot Assembly igniter and flame sensor with emery cloth 1 x month during usage season.
 - B) **SS90 DSI, SS150 DSI, and SS300 DSI Series:** Remove metal cage over flame sensor assembly- clean flame sensor, spark igniter, and inside of cage of any soot. **For LP usage, this will be every ~15 hrs. of use is normal; for Natural Gas usage, this will be every ~50 hrs of use is normal.**

Changing Batteries in Valve Box (SS90 series non- 110v AC models only):

- 1) Remove fire pit from enclosure.
- 2) Remove screws from valve box, remove lid.
- 3) Power Pack: Remove both D cell batteries and replace with new.
- 4) Receiver Pack: Remove 4 AA batteries and replace with new.
- 5) Programming: Handheld remote- batteries must be removed and re-installed to reset. Depress "On" button until beep is heard.

Here is some additional helpful information to keep in mind:

Fire Pits Dimensions: Are approximately 12" from the bottom of the valve box to the lip of the burner pan. HPC can provide drawings if so desired.

Installation Collars are available that can be mortared into enclosure and allow for fire pit to be easily removed for maintenance. Installation Collars measure as follows:

<u>Fire Pit Size</u>	<u>Collar I.D.</u>	<u>Collar O.D.</u>
19"	20"	26"
25"	26"	32"
31"	32"	38"
37"	38"	44"

Gas Line Construction: Main fire pit gas supply lines that transition from large ID to smaller ID (i.e. 1" ID supply line to 1/2" ID) line will result in more noticeable noise when burner is in operation. This is particularly noticeable when transition is installed inside fire pit structure. Installer should also minimize long runs of corrugated supply lines to fire pit. Utilizing smooth bore gas supply (hard pipe) lines, shorter flex lines and avoid steep ID transitions near interior of fire pit will reduce but not eliminate operational noise. Some noise is normal in burner operation.

FIRE PIT ACCESSORIES

You may want to use one of our log sets to further enhance the appearance. Our log sets come in Campfire style and Woodland style and are especially made for outdoor use.

You can visit our website at www.hearthproductscontrols.com to view our entire line of indoor and outdoor products. We design and build "CUSTOM FIRE PITs"

3 Year Limited Warranty

Hearth Products Controls Company (HPC) warranties complete firepits against manufacturing defects that prevent safe and correct function for a 3 year period- commencing from the date of original sale / shipment from **HPC** FOB Dayton, Ohio.

This warranty is for parts and in-house (HPC) labor. The defective product must be sent back to **HPC** with a Return Merchandise Authorization (RMA) issued by **HPC** for that specific product and any other additional information for the nature of the defect or warranty claim.

The warranty does not cover items that have been damaged by overheating, modification, abuse, or improper storage. Also any labor involving installation or maintenance with the unit

This warranty excludes claims for consequential, indirect-collateral expenses arising from product defects or warranty recovery.