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Report

The Elora Pedestal Free-Standing appliance installed with a Wildcat 6” triple skin flue system with a 8”solid casing was tested in two positions in a manner conforming to joint Australian/New Zealand Standard 2918:2018, Appendix B.

A minimum 890mm deep x 680mm wide x 6mm thick floor protector (compressed board) should be used under and in front of the appliance base when installing the appliance (see joint AS/NZS 2918:2018 3.3.2). The floor protector should extend 480mm in front of the appliance door and be placed centrally in the 680mm width. The Thermal resistivity of the floor protector is 0.026m².K/W for mm thick compressed board sheets.

The Elora Pedestal Free-Standing solid fuel appliance installed with a Wildcat 6” triple skin flue system with a 8”solid casing conforms to the requirements of the joint AS/NZS 2918:2018 Standard, Appendix B.

The appliance and flue system were tested at the following clearances:

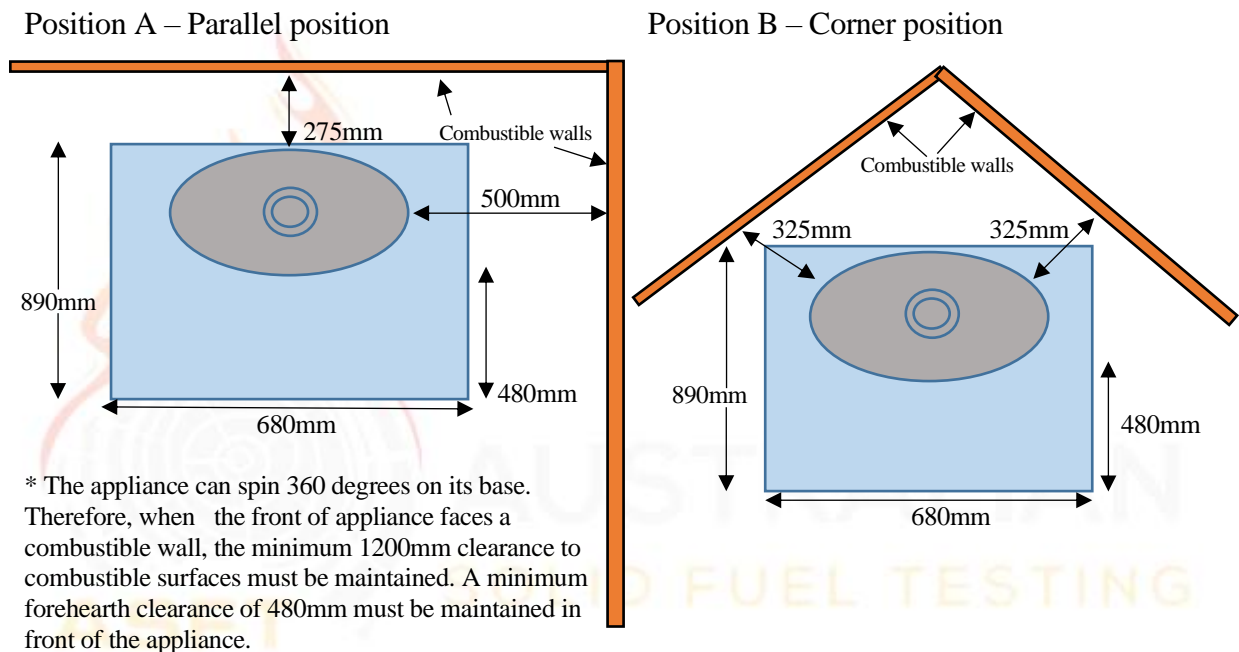




Figure 1 – Clearance Diagram

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1. INTRODUCTION

Thermal Clearance testing of the Appliance and flue system took place on 6 and 7 May 2021 at the Australian Solid Fuel Testing Laboratory located at 3 Garden Street, Morwell, Victoria. The testing was performed by Mr G.W. Mooney and Mr S. Marland.

2. PROCEDURE

Testing was conducted as per Appendix B of AS/NZS2918;2018, Hot sites were located with the aid of an infra-red thermometer. Thermocouple tips were stapled onto the test surfaces, with black tape over the first 100 mm to facilitate consistent and accurate recording of temperatures.

Thermocouple positions are shown in the table below:

Position A – Parallel Position

Thermocouple No.	Position	Thermocouple No.	Position
1	Floor - 1300mm in front of centre	16	Floor – 150mm RHS of centre
2	Floor – 1200mm in front of centre	17	Floor – 300mm RHS of centre
3	Floor - 1050mm in front of centre	18	Floor – 450mm RHS of centre
4	Floor – 900mm in front of centre	19	Ceiling Ring – Inner front
5	Floor – 750mm in front of centre	20	Ceiling Ring – 25mm in front
6	Floor – 600mm in front of centre	21	Ceiling Ring – Inner side
7	Floor – 450mm in front of centre	22	Ceiling Ring – 25mm to side
8	Floor – 300mm in front of centre	23	Rear wall – 825mm from corner, 1798mm above the floor
9	Floor – 150mm in front of centre	24	Rear wall – 682mm from corner, 1076mm above the floor
10	Floor – Centre of flue	25	Rear wall – 703mm from corner, 888mm above the floor
11	Floor – 150mm behind centre	26	RHS wall, 1080mm from corner, 833mm above the floor
12	Floor – 300mm behind centre	27	RHS wall, 344mm from corner, 1387mm above the floor
13	Floor – 450mm LHS of centre	28	RHS wall, 973mm from corner, 677mm above the floor
14	Floor – 300mm LHS of centre	29	Rear wall – 633mm from corner, 1033mm above the floor
15	Floor – 150mm LHS of centre	30	Ambient temperature

Position B – Corner Position

Thermocouple No.	Position	Thermocouple No.	Position
19	Ceiling Ring – Inner front	25	LHS wall – 460mm from corner, 1060mm above the floor
20	Ceiling Ring – 25mm in front	26	RHS wall, 361mm from corner, 1052mm above the floor
21	Ceiling Ring – Inner side	27	RHS wall, 344mm from corner, 1387mm above the floor
22	Ceiling Ring – 25mm to side	28	RHS wall, 383mm from corner, 1105mm above the floor
23	LHS wall – 398mm from corner, 1741mm above the floor	29	LHS wall, 326mm from corner, 1054mm above the floor
24	LHS wall – 432mm from corner, 1183mm above the floor	30	Ambient temperature

TABLE 1

3. TEST FUEL

Testing was conducted with Pinus Radiata as the test fuel which had a moisture content of 12.4% moisture. Each firewood piece was 150mm x 100mm x 50mm.

4. FLUE SYSTEM

The flue system used during testing was a Wildcat 6" triple skin flue system with a 8" solid casing which was manufactured by Wildcat Industries (Aust) Pty Ltd. This flue system has not been tested to joint AS/NZS 2918:2018, Appendix F. The flue height was 4.6 ± 0.1 m from the floor protector. Appendix 1 shows details of the flue system.

5. RESULTS

5.1 High Fire Test

The appliance was fired in accordance with Section B9.1 of AS/NZS2918:2018. The level of fuel was maintained between 50-75% of the full volume level of the fuel chamber during the High Fire test.

The average fuel load for initiating the High Fire tests was 3.9kg with an average refuelling rate of 1.2kg/10 minutes.

During High Fire testing it was found that the highest surface temperatures occurred when primary air control and the grate of the appliance was fully open.

5.2 Flash Fire Test

Immediately after the High Fire test was completed, sufficient embers were removed to bring the fire bed to a level of 15-25% of the fuel chamber volume. The appliance was then fired in accordance with Section B9.2 of AS/NZS2918:2018.

The average fuel load for initiating the Flash Fire tests was 3.2kg.

The highest temperature rises were achieved by leaving the main door resting against the door catch with the primary air and the grate fully open.

5.3 Ambient and Test Surface Temperatures

The Tables below show the Ambient temperatures and test surfaces temperatures during testing of the appliance and flue combination:

Ambient Temperature Range °C

Position	High Fire	Flash Fire
A	10.2 – 24.6	19.7 – 22.4
B	19.3 – 26.5	21.0 – 24.6

Maximum Surface Temperature Rise above Ambient - Position A

Position	Thermocouple Number	High Fire Test (°C)	Thermocouple Number	Flash Fire Test (°C)
Floor	4	58.3	5	46.6
Ceiling	20	43.8	20	45.6
Rear Wall	29	62.7	29	64.0
Side Wall	26	62.4	26	63.5

Maximum Surface Temperature Rise above Ambient - Position B

Position	Thermocouple Number	High Fire Test (°C)	Thermocouple Number	Flash Fire Test (°C)
Ceiling	20	51.4	20	58.4
RHS Wall	26	62.3	26	60.5
LHS Wall	29	55.4	25	55.2

5.4 Uncertainty of Measurement Statement

5.5.1 The uncertainty of distance measurement for determining clearance distances was not greater than ± 3 mm.

5.5.2 The uncertainty of temperature measurement during the entire test period was a maximum of $\pm 2^\circ\text{C}$ at a 95% confidence level.

6. APPLIANCE CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

The test results reported directly relate to the appliance/flue system tested. The details of the appliance given in this section include features which may affect safety clearances. Any change in the design/construction of this appliance or flue may invalidate this report. Below are the constructions details of the appliance:

Appliance Model Name: Elora pedestal		Serial No: N/A
Manufacturer: Schots Home Emporium		
Overall Height: 1065mm	Overall Depth: 410mm	Overall Width: 525mm
Top Plate Width: 525mm	Top Plate Depth: 410mm	Top Plate Thickness: 18mm
Appliance base Height: 5mm	Depth: 410mm	Width: 525mm
Appliance pedestal Height: 310mm	Diameter: 200mm	
Usable Firebox Height: 380-480mm	Width: 295mm	Depth: 200mm
Usable Firebox Volume: 23.59 Litres		
Firebox Material Type/Seam Fully Welded: 3 and 5mm steel, seams welded		
Firebrick Type: fully lined with 28mm vermiculite		
Main Door Opening Height: 420mm	Width: 280mm	
Door Height: 707mm	Width: 385mm	Depth: 15-80mm
Door glass Height: 475mm	Width: 275mm	
Primary Air Location: Below grate (controlled by grate as well as air side)		
Dimension of Primary Air: 6 slots 10×25mm with rounded end		
Area of Primary (mm ²): 1,069.67mm²		
Secondary/Tertiary Air Location: Rear of firebox 75mm below baffle		
Dimension of Secondary/Tertiary Air: 5 holes @ 15mm		
Area of Secondary/Tertiary Air (mm ²): 883.69mm²		
Baffle Plate size: 295×175×25mm Vermiculite		
Flue Dimensions: 152mm		
Spigot Dimensions:	OD: 148mm	ID: 142mm
Spigot to Rear of Appliance: 135mm		
Rear Internal to External Heat Shield: 40-60mm		
Firebox to Side External Heat Shield: 60-85mm		
Heat Shield Material Type: 2.5mm steel		
Water Heater Fitted: No		
Fan Location/Speeds: N/A		
Catalytic Combustor fitted: No		
Grate: Yes		
NOTE: Accuracy of measurement is ±5% of the measured value		

7. CONCLUSION

The Elora Pedestal Free-Standing appliance installed with a Wildcat 6” triple skin flue system with a 8” solid casing, conforms to the requirements of Australian/New Zealand Standard 2918:2018, with respect to floor, ceiling, side wall and rear wall surface temperatures, when tested in the test positions shown in Figure 1 of this report in accordance with Appendix B of AS/NZS2918;2018.



APPENDIX 1:

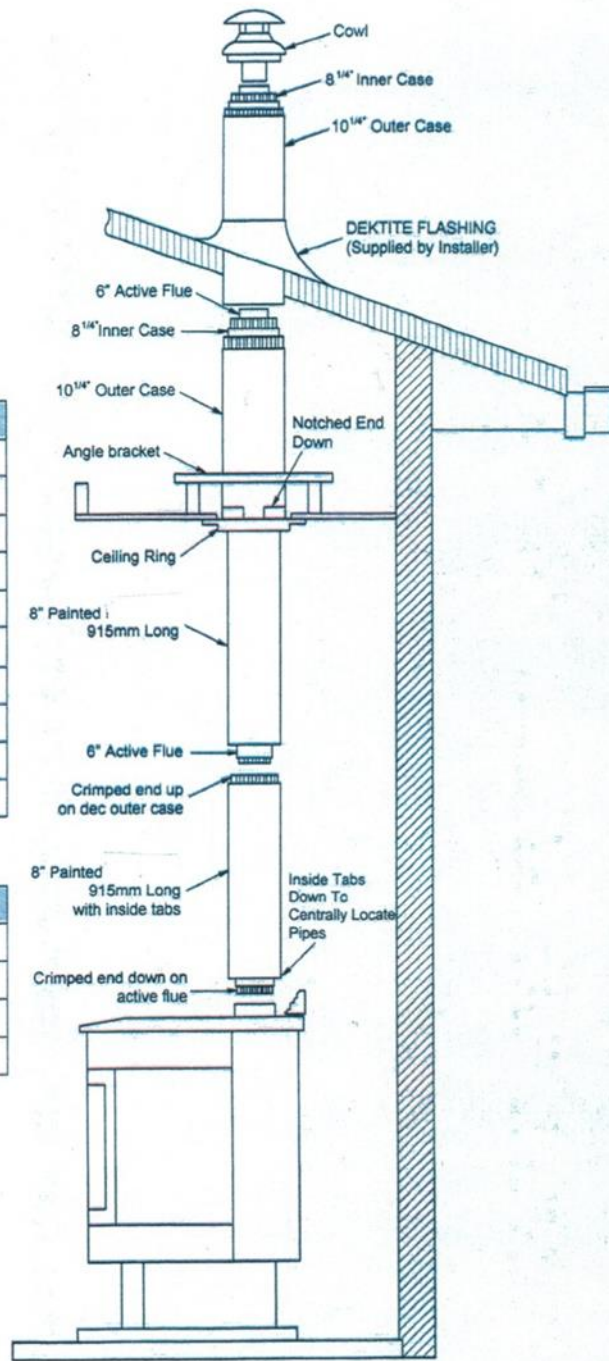


**Freestanding Triple Skin
 Flue Kit
 6" - 8" - 10" System**

QTY	DESCRIPTION
4	6" Stainless Steel Inner Flue 915mm Long
1	7 1/4" Painted 915mm Long
1	7 1/4" Painted 915mm Long with in-tabs
2	8" Galvanized Inner Flue Casing 915mm Long
1	10" Galvanized Notched Outer Flue Casing 915mm Long
1	10" Galvanized Outer Flue Casing 915mm Long
1	Cowl
1	Ceiling Ring
2	75 x 25 Angles 915mm Long
1	Installation Guide

CARTON SPECIFICATIONS	
Height	460mm
Width	460mm
Length	1150mm
Weight	32kg

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