

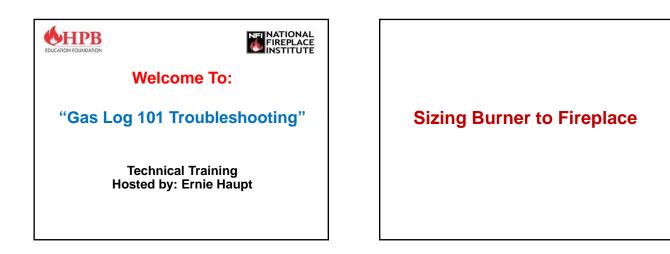


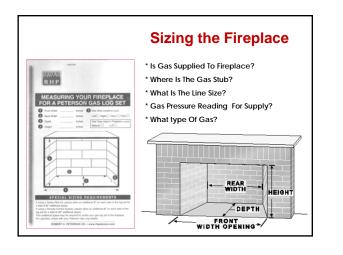
# **Gas Log 101 Troubleshooting**

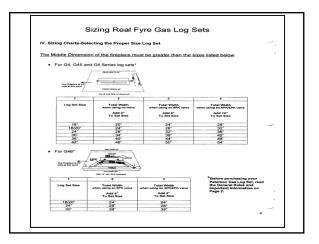
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# **Course Description**

In this session we will discuss the basics of gas log troubleshooting. Topics will include: proper sizing for gas logs and burners, a review of vented and unvented system requirements, proper burner installation, pilot light and burner troubleshooting and a special "What Not To Do" safety review.



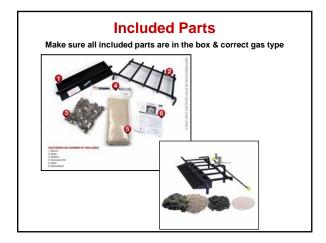


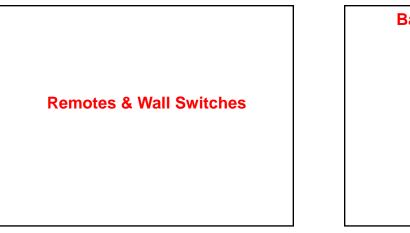


















# Variable Thermostat Remote Kit









#### **Vent Free Burner Features**

- Certified Heating Appliance Z21.11.2B-2010
- Equipped with An Oxygen Depletion Sensor (ODS)
- Use in Listed Solid-Fuel Burning or Vent Free Firebox
- Active Natural Flames & Glowing Embers For Realism On Most Sets.
- 99% Heating Efficiency Which Means Less Gas
- Available for LP or NAT Gas
- Logs or Contemporary Glass Styles to Choose From





## Manual Control Valves (Vent Free)

- Manual Control Function
- ODS Pilot with Thermocouple
- On/Off Control
- Standing Pilot



#### Millivolt Control Valve (Vent Free)

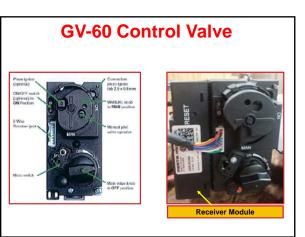
- **On/Off Millivolt Control Valve** ٠
- Remote & Manual Function
- . Compatible On/Off Remote Kits
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- Optional Thermostat Remotes Toggle On/Off Switch Manual Function Thermopile Generated 325mv Minimum •



#### GV-34 Control Valves (Vent Free)

- On/Off Variable Control Valve
- Remote or Manual Function
- Compatible Variables Remote Kits
- Optional Thermostat Remote
- Built-in Piezo Igniter Knob
- ODS Standing Pilot with Thermocouple





#### **GV-60 Features**

#### Vent Free Electronic IPI System

#### Features:

- Battery Operated 6 Volt System
- "On Demand Pilot" Electronic Ignition System
- Defaults to Manual Mode After Ignition
- Flame Height Control
- "Learns the Room System" Measures Room Temp & Compares it To Set-Point Temperature.
- Remote Transmitter Sends Signal Every 4 Minutes to the receiver

### **GV-60 System Features**

Low Battery Receiver: Low battery power in the receiver, the system shuts off the fire completely.

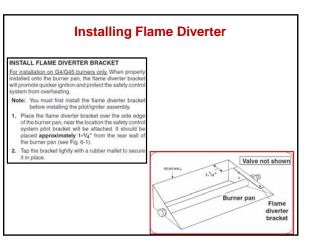
6-Hour No Motor Movement: Manual/Temp/Timer Modes= The valve will turn to pilot if there is no change in flame height for a 6 hour period.

Temp/Timer Mode= If the ambient room temp changes, the flame height will adjust automatically to maintain set temp and the fire will continue to function normally. Valve will turn to pilot flame if the set temp & mbient temp remain the same over a 6 hour period.

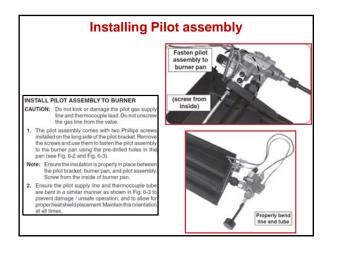


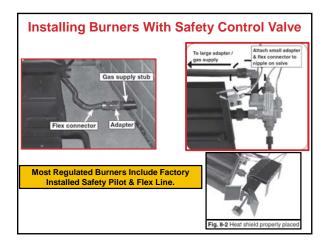


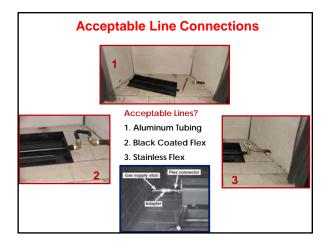


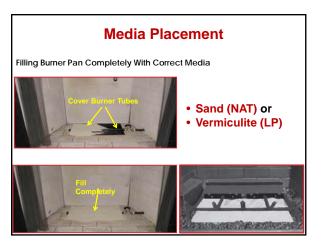


- male end of the fuel injector or air mixer on the burne
- 2. Install the valve to the fuel injector or air mixer by screwing the pan into the valve (Fig. 5-2). Take care no to damage the attached pilot assembly when rotating the burner pan. Be sure all connections are tight, however do not overtighten to prevent damage to the valve.

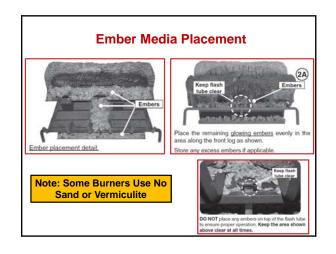


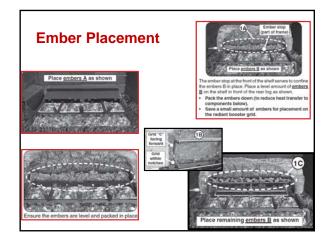




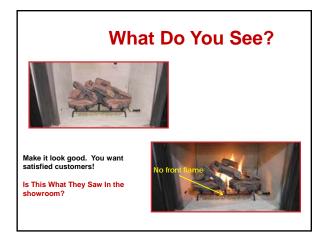


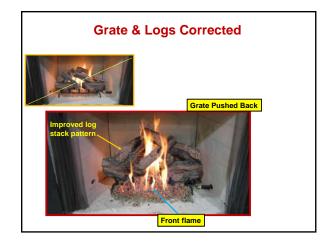






















**Service Calls** 

**How About This?** 



## "The Call"

#### **Communication Is Key**

- Consumer Calls With An Issue, Write Down All Information
- Record The Date & Time of Call
- Make Sure to Get Model & Serial Number
- Make An Appointment with the Consumer Present
- If You Know Related Issue Go With Parts So No Extra Visits

#### "The Visit"

- Once There Make Visual Inspection Before Touching Unit
- Have Customer Show You How They're Lighting Unit
- Then Try It Yourself, Maybe Not Being Used Correctly
- Determine If Complaint Is Indeed A Mechanical, Plumbing or Electrical Issue Under Warranty & Not User or Installation Error
- Make Sure You Have Stocked Parts Related To Issue In Truck
- Avoid Multiple Visits & Take The Consumer Out Of The Picture

#### **Analyze Installation**

- Does the system look too big for firebox?
- Check for required damper opening. Is it open? Damper clamp in place?
- Burning logs with glass doors closed? Must be fully open.
- Termination cap installed? Check for blockages or correct cap type.
- Look for excessive soot around fireplace opening, insert and mantle.

#### **Analyze Installation (Continued)**

- Chimney venting correctly? Check flue size & Damper.
- · Is the system setup for correct gas type?
- Is the burner centered correctly? Check placement.
- Confirm log placement in correct?
- Look for signs of damage; red heat marks, burner warping, logs cracking or deteriorating.

#### **Be Prepared**

#### Have all the necessary tools for troubleshooting:

Tool Box: Screwdrivers, nut drivers, socket set, all plier types & etc.

Multimeter for Electrical Diagnosing.

Gas Manometer for Proper Gas Pressure Readings



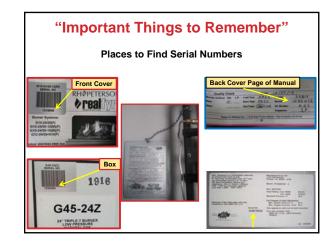


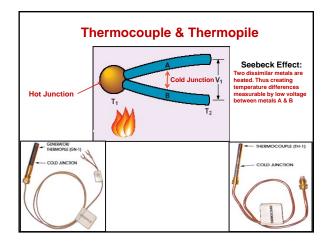


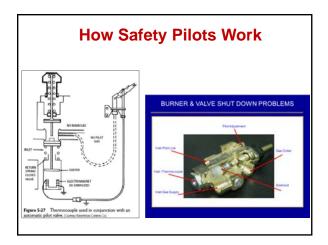


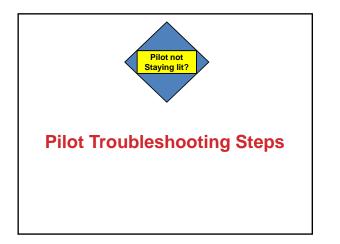












#### **Troubleshooting Pilot Symptoms**

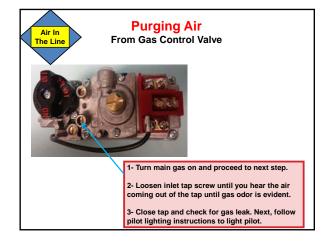
• Pilot Will Not Light? Obstruction in pilot tubing or pilot gas supply line is kinked. Inadequate gas supply, check gas pressure. Air in line; Bleed line. Check electrode wire. IPI system check batteries or power source.

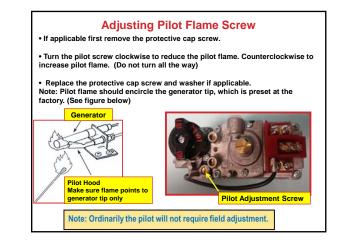
#### • Pilot Will Not Stay Lit?

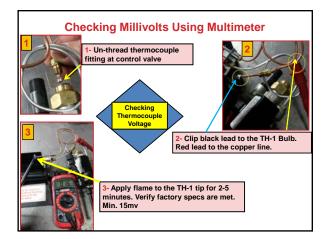
Pilot hood not aimed at thermocouple. Thermocouple cracked or worn out. Inadequate gas supply. Thermocouple either too tight or loose at valve. Check millivolts on thermocouple with multimeter.

#### • Noisy Pilot?

Check pilot hood for burrs or obstruction. Pilot adjustment.









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8- Reinstall tubing and relight pilot. Note: If still does not stay lit. Replace ODS

#### **Troubleshooting Pilot Symptoms**

• Log Set Extinguishes After Lighting? Inadequate gas supply causes pilot flame to reduce after burner lights; May have to increase pilot flame? Check gas pressure.

• Log Set Extinguishes After 10min to 1hr? Thermocouple is Overheating; Check for glass doors closed, must be open. Thermocouple overheating cold junction; Check for flame diverter installation or position. Logs could be deflecting flames to pilot.

• Valve Will Not Turn "Off" With Remote? Valve Over heated; Make sure heat shield is installed. Check Batteries and Relearn remote kit.

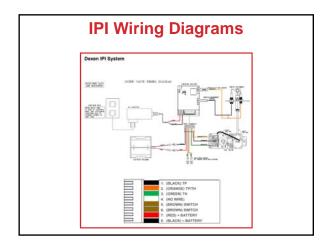


## IPI Systems

- Required Tools
- Wiring Diagram & Color Codes
- Troubleshooting Pilot & Module Symptoms
- Troubleshooting Valve Symptoms

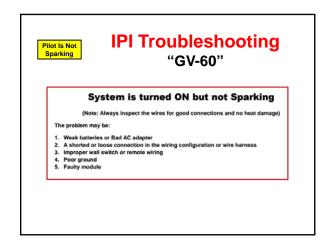


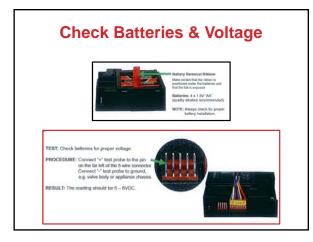


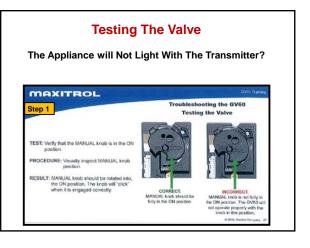


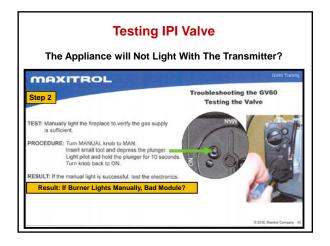


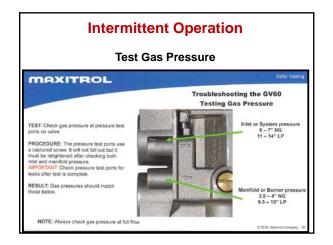


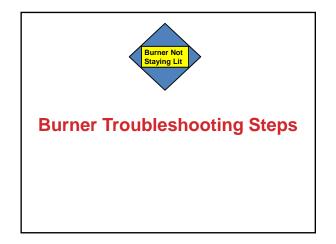












#### **Troubleshooting Burner Symptoms**

Burner Shutting Down?

Check incoming gas pressure under load; Check manual for gas requirements. Check for other appliances on same gas line, could drop gas pressure to set. Check damper size requirement. Log set too big.

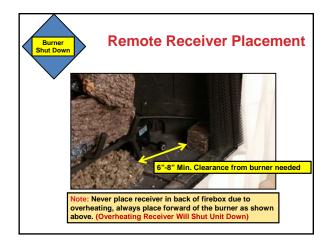
• Low Flame Height? Check gas pressure. Propane tank may be low.

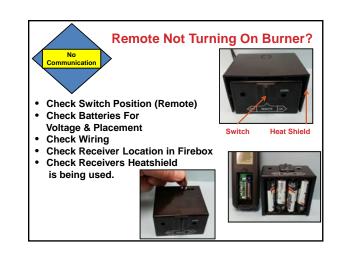
#### Not Burning Evenly?

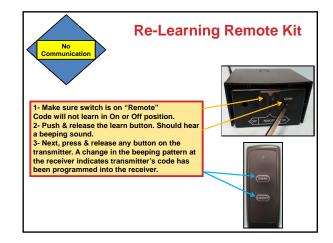
Burner orifice clogged; Clean orifice. Check for sand or vermiculite compaction; Loosen with screwdriver or hack saw blade.

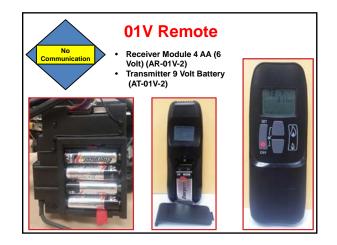
#### Remote Not Communicating?

Check batteries. Relearn remote kit. Remote receiver overheating; May be able to hear audible beeps at shut down.











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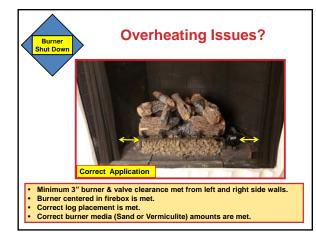
# Overheating? Check for closed damper. Remote location or oversized log set.

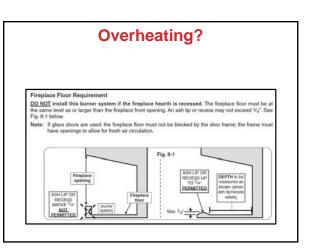
#### • Sooting?

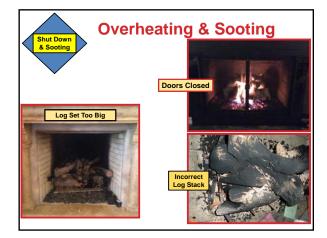
Check for drafts in room; Close heating & air conditioning vents, returns and outside air vents. Floor or ceiling fans should be off when burner is on. Log placement; Check log placement chart. Make sure set is for correct gas type. Adding any accessories to log set that does not belong, needs to be removed.

#### • Flame Description?

Observe the flames. Main burner flames should be blue at the base with yellow body & tips. Flames 3"- 4" above the logs, center being tallest. Ember flames should be  $\frac{1}{4}$ " above the ember glow.









#### **Burner is ON But Low Flames?**

Check Orifices for Correct Size & Blockages (Debris, Spider Web?) Check Burners for Clogging Check Gas Pressure (Incoming Supply Line Regulator)

1- Locate the Regulator. 2- Remove Allen Hex Screw. 3- Thread Manometer Barb Fitting & Hose. 4- Turn Gas On, Then All Burners On & Read Pressure.



## **Training Wrap-Up**

**Closing Questions?** 

**Thank You!**