#### Tube Heater Installation, Operation, Maintenance and Parts Manual

A WARNING: This heater must be installed and serviced by trained gas installation and service personnel only! Improper installation, adjustment, alteration, service or maintenance can cause property damage, injury or death. Read the installation, operating and maintenance instructions thoroughly before installing or servicing this equipment. Protect yourself and others by observing all safety information. Retain instructions for future reference.

# Tube Heater General Manual

#### Description

Tube heaters are gas-fired infrared heaters designed to provide comfort heat. They consist of three (3) main components: a burner control box, radiant tube, and reflector assembly. The heaters are typically suspended from the ceiling by chains and controlled by a thermostat. They can be installed either vented or unvented, and may use outside air for combustion if necessary. The radiant tube may be installed in different configurations depending on the heating requirements.

These heaters use infrared energy to heat spaces. When heat is required, the burner control box ignites a gas/air mixture and pushes the hot gases into the radiant tube. As the gases pass through the assembly, the tubing is heated and emits infrared, which is then directed toward the floor by reflectors. This is known as primary infrared and is absorbed by the floor, objects and people in the space, raising their temperatures. They in turn reradiate this heat, known as secondary infrared, to create a comfort zone at the floor level. This is how tube heaters can heat large spaces without having to provide primary infrared for every square foot of area. However, if the goal is to spot heat a small area within a large space, only the primary infrared makes this possible. Tube heaters are design certified for use in industrial and commercial buildings, such as warehouses, manufacturing plants, aircraft hangars and vehicle maintenance shops. No heater may be used in a class 1 or class 2 explosive environment. Unless otherwise indicated, they are **not** certified for residential use or where flammable gases or vapors are generally present, such as spray booths.

#### FOR YOUR SAFETY Do not store or use gasoline or other flammable vapors and liquids in the vicinity of this or any other appliances.

### FOR YOUR SAFETY

What to do if you smell gas:

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

### WARNING!

In locations used for the storage of combustible materials, signs must be posted to specify the maximum permissible stacking height to maintain the required clearances from the heater to the combustibles. Signs must either be posted adjacent to the heater thermostats or in the absence of such thermostats in a conspicuous location.

#### **CONSIGNES DE SÉCURITÉ**

Sivous sentez une odeur de gaz:

- 1. Ouvrez les fenêtres.
- 2. Ne touchez pas aux interrupteurs électriques.
- 3. Éteingnez toute flamme nue.
- 4. Contactez immédiatement votre compagnie de gaz.

Il est interdit d'utiliser des liquides inflammables ou dégageant des vapeurs inflammables, á proximité de tout appareil fonctionnant au gaz.



## WARNINGS

Detroit Radiant Products Company cannot anticipate every use which may be made of their heaters. Check with your local fire safety authority if you have questions about local regulations.

This infrared heater is designed for use in industrial and commercial buildings such as warehouses, manufacturing plants, aircraft hangars, service garages, etc.

Maintain all Clearance to Combustibles at all times. See page 5 for Clearance to Combustibles guidelines. See page 2 of manual insert for specific clearance to combustibles data.



This heater must be installed and serviced by trained gas installation and service personnel only. Read and understand these instructions thoroughly before attempting to install, operate or service this heater. Failure to comply could result in personal injury, asphyxiation, death, fire, and/or property damage. Retain these instructions for future reference.

### A WARNING!

#### NOT FOR RESIDENTIAL USE!

**(Unless otherwise noted)** Do not use in the home, sleeping quarters, attached garages, etc.

### A WARNING!

Do not operate heater with any part bypassed, with any part failed or in any scenario that may compromise safety.

### **WARNING**!

This is not an explosion-proof heater. Where there is the possibility of exposure to flammable vapors, consult the local fire marshal, the fire insurance carrier and other authorities for approval of the proposed installation.

See product insert for specific cautions, warnings, electrical and other model specific data.

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#### **Approval Standards and Certifications**

Detroit Radiant Products Units comply with or are certified by one or more of the following organizations or standards:

- CSA International (CSA)
- American National Standards (ANSI Z83.6, Z83.20, Z83.20a)
- Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA)
- American Gas Association (AGA/CSA)
- International Approval Services (IAS)
- Canadian Gas Association (CGA/CSA)
- National Standards of Canada
- Certification of Europe (CE)
- A.G.A. Requirements for Residential Radiant Tube Heaters 7-89.
- See page 12 of manual insert for specific product certifications and approvals.

#### **IMPORTANT!**

Any alteration of the system or of the factory-authorized components specified in this manual or by Detroit Radiant Products Company voids all certification and warranties.



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#### 1. SAFETY INFORMATION

The following **must** be reviewed before installing this heater.

**A CAUTION** Check the CSA rating label on the heater to verify the proper gas to be used. Check the other labels on the heater to verify proper mounting and clearance to combustibles.

The installation of this heater must conform with local building codes or, in the absence of local codes, with the National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1 (NFPA 54) (latest edition). Applications in Canada must conform to CAN/CGA B149.1 and 2 codes and Canadian Electrical Code C22.1 (latest edition).

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE**

Unless otherwise indicated on the CSA Rating Label (Chart 2 (C2) or Chart 3 (C3)), this infrared heater is designed to operate on standard BTU gas (either 1000 BTU ft<sup>3</sup> for natural gas or 2500 BTU ft<sup>3</sup> for propane gas) at elevations 0 to 4000 feet MSL (Sea Level).

Under no circumstance is either the gas supply line or the electrical supply line to the heater to provide any assistance in the suspension of the heater.

The weight of the heater must be entirely suspended from a permanent part of the building structure having adequate load characteristics.

Neither the gas supply line, electrical supply line nor sprinkler heads shall be located within the minimum clearance to combustibles as shown in the Clearance-to-Combustibles Chart on page 2 of manual insert. Signs **must** be posted in storage areas to specify maximum stacking height allowed in order to maintain clearance to combustibles. DRP part #PLQ warning plaques are recommended.

#### **GARAGES**

The installation of this heater in public garages must conform with the Standard for Parking Structures, ANSI/NFPA 88A (latest edition), or the Standard for Repair Garages, ANSI/NFPA 88B (latest edition), and must be at least 8 ft. above the floor (see page 5 for Clearance to Combustibles). Applications in Canada must conform to the Canadian Electric Code C22.1 (latest edition) when an external electrical source is used.

#### HANGARS

The installation of this heater in aircraft hangars must conform with the Standard for Aircraft Hangars, ANSI/ NFPA 409 (latest edition). The heater must be installed at least 10 ft. above the upper wing surfaces and engine enclosures of the highest aircraft which might be stored in the hangar. In areas adjoining the aircraft storage area, the heaters must be installed at least 8 ft. above the floor. The heaters must be located in areas where they will not be subject to damage by aircraft, cranes, movable scaffolding or other objects.

#### **ELECTRICAL**

The heater, when installed, must be electrically grounded in accordance with the National Electrical Code ANSI/NFPA 70 (latest edition).

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## Safety Information

### Clearances to Combustibles

**AWARNING** Failure to comply with the stated clearance to combustibles could result in personal injury, death and/or property damage.

For the safe installation of this unit, consult the clearance to combustibles chart on page 2 of the product manual insert. It contains clearances that must be maintained.

# Determination of published clearance to combustibles.

Clearance to combustible distances are determined to be the point (usually measured in inches) at which a black surface is raised 90 degrees hotter than the room temperature.

- **Step 1:** Highly absorbent black walls are placed around the heater's exchanger at the hottest point.
- **Step 2:** These walls are moved inward or outward until the standard temperature of 90°F plus ambient (room temperature) is achieved. (ANSI Z83.20)
- **Step 3:** Once this temperature is achieved, the distance from the heater to these walls are then measured and recorded as the minimum clearance to combustibles.
- **Step 4:** This process is repeated at a distance 20 feet downstream from the heater to gather reduced clearance to combustibles data.

**NOTE:** Infra-red heaters can cause discomfort to building occupants if the heaters are mounted too low. Therefore, a minimum mounting height is recommended, based upon the clearance to combustibles and the specified minimum mounting height. Also, a maximum mounting height for each heater is recommended for effective radiant heating.

**AWARNING** This heater should be installed so that the minimum clearance to combustibles, as marked on the heater, will be maintained from vehicles parked below. If vehicle lifts are present, ensure that these clearances will be maintained from the highest raised vehicle.





Design Criteria

### 2. INSTALLATION

#### 2.1 Design Criteria

Designing an infra-red heating system is often a balance between meeting the required heat load and providing proper and adequate coverage (similar to lighting). The charts on this page are intended to be used after a total building heat load has been calculated. It is highly recommended that you consult a professional to ensure a properly designed heating system.

The charts are provided as guidelines for designing an infra-red system only. Chart 1 provides the minimium factory recommended mounting height. The "Type" classification refers to the BTU output mounting height catagory. Chart 2 provides guidelines for designing a total building heat system, most often accomplished using straight tube heaters. Chart 3 provides guidelines for designing a spot building heat system, most often accomplished using 'U' configured tube heaters. See the following page for other guideline considerations.

<b>Recommended Minimum</b>					
Mounting Heights					
BTU's	Height	Туре			
25,000	8'	Low			
40,000	9'	Low			
50,000	10'	Low			
60,000	11'	Low			
75,000	12'	Mid			
100,000	13'	Mid*			
125,000	15'	Mid*			
150,000	16'	High			
175,000	17'	High			
200,000	18'	High			
225,000	19'	High			

Chart 1: BTU Mtg. Hts. & Type

\*30' 100 & 125 models may also be considered as high output heaters.

MODEL	OVERALL	TYP. MTG.	APPROXIMATE DIRECT COVERAGE AREA (LENGTH X W		
FT.	DIM.	HEIGHTS	LOW BTU & MOUNT	MID BTU & MOUNT	HIGH BTU & MOUNT
10' Straight	12'-3"	8' Min.	10' x 10'	N / A	N / A
20' Straight	22'-0"	9' - 20'	20' x 12'	22' x 15'	N / A
30' Straight	31'-3"	10' - 25'	30' x 14'	33' x 18'	N / A
40' Straight	40'-11"	11' - 30'	40' x 16'	44' x 21'	45' x 26'
50' Straight	50'-7"	15' - 40'	N / A	55' x 24'	56' x 30'
60' Straight	60'-3"	16' - 40'	N / A	66' x 27'	67' x 34'
70' Straight	69'-11"	19' - 42'	N / A	N / A	78' x 38'
80' Straight	79'-7"	20' - 45'	N/A	N/A	89' x 42'

Chart 2: Straight Tubes

MODEL	OVERALL	TYP. MTG.	APPROXIMATE DIRE	ECT COVERAGE AREA	(LENGTH X WIDTH)
FT.	DIM.	HEIGHTS	LOW BTU & MOUNT	MID BTU & MOUNT	HIGH BTU & MOUNT
20 "U"	13'-0"	10' - 15'	12' x 12'	N / A	N / A
*30 "U"	17'-10'	10' - 20'	17' x 13'	18' x 15'	N / A
40 "U"	22'-8"	10' - 25'	22' x 14'	23' x 17'	24' x 20'
*50 "U"	27'-6"	13' - 30'	N / A	28' x 19'	29' x 23'
60 "U"	32'-4"	15' - 35'	N / A	33' x 21'	34' x 26'
*70 "U"	37'-2"	16' - 35'	N / A	N / A	39' x 29'
80 "U"	42'-0"	16' - 35'	N/A	N / A	44' x 32'
*Models require 5EA-Sub.			Chart 3: Spot "U"	Tubes	

**NOTE:** These charts are provided as guidelines. Actual conditions may dictate variation from this data. **NOTE:** Must also note BTU chart (top right) for minimum mounting heights.

#### 2.2 Location and Coverage

The placement of infra-red heaters is influenced by many factors. These include the design theory, clearances to combustibles, mounting heights, distribution, reflectors, environment and equipment selection. A trained representative or other professional should be contacted to assist in designing a proper system.

The figures shown below are of a sample building 90'(L) x 50'(W) x 14'(H) requiring 400,000 BTU's, both heated with 160' of radiant pipe. Figure 2-1 is an example of a poorly designed system. This figure places two burners on one end, the end opposite the highest demand, violates the minimum mounting height and will produce uneven heating. Figure 2-2 utilizes 4 burners, one placed in each corner of the building. This is a far better design than illustrated in figure 2-1.



Figure 2-1: Sample Layout (Incorrect).



Figure 2-2: Sample Layout (Correct).

#### 2.3 Considerations

#### • Theory

Is the building's heat loss properly sized and met? Can a perimeter mount application be achieved? Are the highest heat load areas (doors, loading docks, etc.) covered with extra heat?

#### Clearance to Combustibles

Observe your models clearance to combustibles at all times. Look for door tracks, car lifts, storage areas, cranes, contaminated spaces, future storage areas, etc. Are there sprinkler heads too close to the heaters? Place warning plaques where needed.

#### • Heights

Is the mounting height of the heater applicable to its' BTU as shown in Chart 1?

#### • Distribution

Remember that, by design, a straight infra-red heater will produce more heat at the supply (burner) end than at the exhaust end. Is the burner end placed where more heat is desired?

#### • Reflectors

Is there a need to offset the heaters and rotate the reflectors towards the heat zone? Most heaters allow the reflectors to rotate from 0-45 degrees, although 0-30 degrees is factory recommended. Are extra accessories such as guards, side shields, U or L hoods needed?

#### • Environment

Is your environment harsh or contaminated? Have you chosen the right model for your application? Does your application require using outside air, as most do? Is evaporation of oils and chemicals a concern?



When positioning heaters, keep in mind the clearance to combustible materials, lights, sprinkler heads, overhead doors, storage areas with stacked materials, gas and electrical lines, parked vehicles, cranes and any other possible obstructions or hazards. Refer to the Warnings, Cautions and the Clearance to Combustibles chart in the Safety Information Section and on the heater to verify that a safe installation condition exists.

Consult **Detroit Radiant Products** if you have a special case requiring a lower mounting height.

The following guidelines must also be met to ensure a good installation and proper heater performance:

 A maximum of two 90° elbows or one 180° elbow can be installed on heaters. The gas input of the heaters, as stated on the rating label, will determine the minimum length of radiant pipe from the control box to the first elbow. (See optional 90° and 180° elbows section.)

#### - IMPORTANT -

• **Do not** exceed the maximum vent length for exhausting the heater. Consult section 2.9 for guidelines.

**NOTE:** Flue vent requirements do not change when elbows are installed.

**Do not** combine the exhaust vents of two heaters into a straight through tee. A 'Y' assembly or a staggered tee arrangement must be used. A 6-inch diameter (4-inch for LS and LD models) vent must be used when common venting (see figures 2-26 & 27). Common vented units must also be controlled by the same control/thermostat. Outside air for combustion must be ducted to the heater if the building atmosphere where the heater is installed contains one of the following:

- Chemicals such as chlorinated or fluorinated hydrocarbons.
- High humidity such as car washes.
- Contaminants such as sawdust, welding smoke, etc.
- Negative static pressure.

Consult Combustion Air Requirements section on page 22.

- **Do not** exceed the maximum duct length for fresh air intake. Consult Air Intake Duct Chart on page 22.
- **Do not** draw fresh air into the heater from an attic space. There is no guarantee that adequate air will be supplied.
- All unvented heaters must use Part No. WVE-GALV vent with flapper.

Once all of the safety precautions and design criteria are met, the actual installation of the heater may begin.

#### 2.4 Prechecks

- Verify that all parts have been received by checking them against the packing list. If anything is missing, notify the product representative or Detroit Radiant Products Company.
- 2. Check the CSA rating label on the heater to verify the model number, the gas to be used and verify that the clearance to combustibles will be met.
- 3. Make sure the finished installation will conform to the design requirements listed in the Clearance to Combustibles Chart on page 2 of the manual insert.



#### TYPICAL INSTALLATION DRAWING Fig 2-3





MODEL	DIMENSION A (Straight configuration*)	SUSPENSION PONTS B	CONTROL BOX STABILIZER C	Shipping Weight	S.S. WEIGHT	CHAIN SET QTY. "Straight"	CHAIN SET QTY. W/TF1B
10 Foot	12'-3" / 147"	2	2	85#	N/A	4	N/A
20 Foot	22'-0" / 264"	3	2	120#	145#	5	6
30 Foot	31'-3" / 375"	4	2	160#	195#	6	7
40 Foot	40'-11" / 491"	5	2	190#	235#	7	8
50 Foot	50'-7" / 607"	6	2	235#	290#	8	9
60 Foot	60'-3" / 723"	7	2	265#	330#	9	10
70 Foot	69'-11" / 839"	8	2	300#	375#	10	11
80 Foot	79'-7" / 955"	9	2	330#	405#	11	12

\* See page 18 for U-tube configurations.

"C"

Chart 4



"C"

**END VIEW** 

#### **ENLARGED SIDE VIEW**

"C"

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#### 2.5 Heater Mounting

Mount heaters in conformance with approval standards referenced in the foreword.

 Each unit is equipped with the necessary hangers for installation. If spacing does not allow for standard mounting, additional hangers (TP-19B) may be necessary. See figure 2-8 on page 13.



2. Use of number 1 double loop chain is recommended for heater hanging (Accessory THCS). See figure 2-5.



Fig. 2-5

- 3. Lay out all tubing in proper position. 10' combustion chamber first, aluminized chamber second (150-200MBH models only) and radiant tubes thereafter.
- 4. Two hangers support the first tube; one hanger per tube thereafter. The radiant tubes should be in straight alignment and level to the ground. See figure 2-8.
- 5. Mount hangers. Spacing between burner box mounting brackets and the first hanger should be approximately 2ft. - 4in. (figure 2-8). Spacing between the first two hangers should be approximately 8ft. -10in. so as to support the first tube. Spacing for every hanger thereafter should be approximately 9ft. - 8in.
- 6. Mount the burner in straight alignment with tubes. Burner sight glass should be visible from the floor.
- 7. Install heater so that it is independently supported and does not rely on the gas or electrical lines for support.
- 8. Installation of baffles. Baffle(s) should be assembled and then placed in the tube(s) farthest downstream from the burner. In some cases the baffles may have to be slid partially into the second from last tube. All baffles must be in the vertical position. See figure 2-10 and instructions on page 14 for assembly.
- On all models except LS or LD Series, remove 3 ft. baffle section (Part No. TP65I) if utilizing a 'U' or 'L' shaped accessory fitting.





**IMPORTANT:** <u>Mount burner control box level</u> to the ground. Do not rotate control box assembly.

**IMPORTANT:** <u>Baffles must be installed in the last</u> (furthest from the burner) radiant tubes. See figure 2-10 and details on page 14. All baffles must be in the vertical position.

**IMPORTANT:** 175,000 through 225,000 BTU/H models must be installed with a stainless steel tube clamp at the <u>second</u> joint of the exchanger <u>between</u> the combustion tube and second radiant tube.

**IMPORTANT:** 150-200 MBTU/H\* models must be installed with the 10 foot, <u>titanium alloy aluminized</u> <u>tube directly following the burner box with the</u> <u>aluminized tube immediately following</u>. The identification sticker found on the swaged end of the tubing will identify the titanium combustion tube. \* <u>All</u> LS and LD Models are installed with the 10 foot titanium alloy aluminized steel tube as the first tube section. <u>Do not</u> use the aluminized steel tubing as the first tube section (combustion chamber).



**IMPORTANT:** Mount all tubes with <u>welded seam</u> <u>facing downward</u> (See fig. 2-7). Be sure to have swaged ends pointed towards the exhaust end of the heater.

**NOTE:** If windy conditions exist in the space around the heater, it may be necessary to rigidly mount the heater to prevent swaying. It is recommended that threaded rod be used for the two hanging points at the burner control box (see figure 2-6). The remaining hanging points should use chains to allow for heater expansion.

**NOTE:** The tube clamps provided with the heater are pre-assembled at the factory. If a clamp is dismantled, it is important that upon re-assembly the spacer is properly inserted (see figure 2-9). The spacer's concave surface **must** face the radiant tube. Incorrect spacer placement will result in shearing of the bolt when torqued to the recommended specifications (40-60-lb. ft.).

**NOTE:** Assemble the reflector after every 10-ft. section of emitter pipe installed.

**NOTE:** If tube clamp bolts are installed at the top side of the tube, make sure it does not interfere with the expansion and contraction of the reflector near the reflector end cap.





#### 2.6 Baffle Assembly Instructions

- 1. Remove enclosed baffles from the burner box and keep with the applicable burner. Different burners utilize different size baffles. Reference the shipping label for proper baffle size.
- As shown below, assemble the baffle to the proper length. Baffle assembly may be done on the ground or assembled in increments of 3 ft. while being fed into the last tube(s).
- 3. Insert baffle into the last tube and feed into the second from last tube if the baffle length exceeds ten feet. Rotate the baffle into the vertical position.

**NOTE:** Install assembled baffle so that the key hole is inserted first. All baffles must be placed vertically in the last radiant tube/heat exchanger.

#### INSTALLER:

#### Avoid equipment failure!

The attached 3 ft. baffle section <u>must</u> be assembled with other enclosed baffles and placed in the last tube(s) – (furthest from burner). Remove one 3 ft. section if heater is installed with elbow or u-bend accessory fittings on all models **except** on LS and LD models. <u>Do not</u> remove baffles on LS and LD Series heaters regardless of unit configuration. Refer to product specific insert for further installation details.



Fig. 2-11

#### 2.7 Reflector Accessories

Different applications will require the use of reflector accessories. Available options include side shield extensions, protective guards, elbow or U shields, stainless steel reflectors and drop ceiling panels. Consult the Detroit Radiant Products Accessory Guide for detailed product information.

**Side Shield Extensions** (Part No. SSE) designed to direct infra-red rays downward, away from sidewalls and combustibles. This includes stored combustible containers, heating between two large vehicles, crane rail motors, wiring and other applications that require protection. Figure 2-12 details a side shield assembly installation. Figure 2-13 shows where to measure the new clearances from. Data for these clearances is available in the product insert for each series of heaters.





Fig. 2-13

**Reflector Elbows** (Part No. RE) are designed to fit atop an elbow tube fitting (see fig. 2-14).

**"U" Reflectors** (Part No. RU) cover TF1B "U" fittings. They attach to standard reflectors covering the end of a "U" configuration (see fig. 2-15). Reflectors cannot be rotated after installation of this accessory.



**Protective Guards** (Part No. PG) designed to attach to the standard reflector. They are typically used to prevent debris or objects from becoming lodged between the radiant tube and reflector.

**Aluminum Egg Crates** (Part No. EC) are designed to fit into a standard 2' x 4' ceiling tile opening. Drop ceiling side panels (Part No. DCSP) are needed for complete installation of egg crate. The side panels are used to direct infra-red rays away from ceiling tiles.

**Protective Heat Shields** (Part No. PHS) attach below reflector to shield heat sensitive areas.

**Stainless Steel Reflectors** (Part No. SSR or SSRAO) are also available for applications in harsh environments.

See DRP Tube Heater Accessory Guide or manual insert for product specific information.



#### **Reflector Assembly**

- 1. Install reflector center supports (RCS) as shown in figure 2-16.
- 2. Slide reflector through wire hangers and adjust the reflector positioning spring in the V-groove on top of the reflector (figure 2-17). Overlap reflectors 4in. for support (figure 2-16).

**NOTE:** Assemble the reflector after every 10-ft. section of emitter pipe installed.

3. Secure reflectors together with sheet metal screws (field supplied) at points indicated by arrows (see figure 2-18). Make sure to leave an expansion joint.

**NOTE:** The screws prevent the reflectors from shifting position due to heater operation.

4. Install reflector end caps, with polished finish to the inside, at exposed ends of the reflector runs with clips (figure 2-17).



#### 2.8 Optional "L" or "U" Configuration

A 90° elbow or 180° "U" may be installed in the exchanger to make an "L" or "U" configuration. See Chart 5 and figures below for dimensions and distance requirements from the burner control box to an elbow or "U".

**NOTE:** Only elbows or u-tube fittings may be used on a heater.

**NOTE:** Top clearance of an uncovered (no reflector) 'U' or 'L' fitting is 18 inches.

**IMPORTANT:** If the heater is operating unvented, separate the intake air to the heater from its' exhaust products. Although a minimum of 4' is required, it may be necessary to provide further separation. Combustion air may also be supplied (see page 22).

See insert with elbow or u-tube fittings for proper baffle length changes for use with these fittings. In most cases, with the **exception** of LS and LD Series heaters, a 3ft. section of baffle should be removed.

MINIMUM DISTANCE FROM THE BURNER TO AN ELBOW OR "U" FITTING				
BTU's.	FT.			
20,000	N/A			
30,000	N/A			
40,000	10			
50,000	10			
60,000	10			
75,000	10			
100,000	15			
125,000	20			
150,000	20			
175,000	25			
200,000	25			
225,000	30			

Chart 5





NOTE: information contained on this page applies to 4-inch diameter tube heater models only.





Fig. 2-21

Fig. 2-22





#### 2.9 Flue Venting

The following guidelines must be observed to ensure proper system performance and safety:

- Check all applicable codes prior to installing flue stacks. Local codes may vary. In the absence of local codes see the National Fuel Code ANSI Z223.1 (NFPA54) latest edition or the National Standards of Canada.
- The heater is designed to operate with a 4 in. diameter exhaust stack (3 in. diameter for LS and LD Series).
- Single wall galvanized flue pipe or Dura/Connect single wall, flexible connectors must be used. The portion of the flue pipe which goes through combustible material in the building wall or roof must transition to a type "B" vent to maintain clearances. See figures 2-24 & 25.
- Maximum vent length for most models is 20 feet.
- The venting system shall terminate at least 3 ft. (0.9m) above any forced air inlet located within 10 ft. (3.1m).
- The venting system shall terminate at least 4 ft. (1.2m) below, 4 ft. (1.2m) horizontally from, and/or 1 ft. (30cm) above any door, window, or gravity air inlet into any building. The bottom of the vent terminal shall be located at least 12 in. (30 cm) above grade.
- Uninsulated single wall metal pipe shall not be used in cold climates for venting gas utilization equipment.
- The vent terminal of a horizontal venting system must be installed to prevent blockage by snow and protect building materials from degradation by flue gases.
- Stacks that exit the building vertically should be 2 ft. above the roof.

- For stacks that exit the building horizontally, the flue should be a minimum of 6 in. from the sidewall. Vent must also extend beyond any combustible overhang (figure 2-24).
- A common flue of 6 in. diameter (4 in. for LS and LD models) must be used for double venting of units. One thermostat must control both units. When common venting, flue should be connected so that the by-products of one heater cannot flow into the adjoining flue of the other heater. A dual exhaust assembly is available from Detroit Radiant Products. See figures 2-26 through 2-29.
- Separate intake from exhaust by at least 4 feet. Vertical vents should be placed higher than adjacent intake pipes.





- Vertical venting may utilize standard "B" vent caps (except for TF9).
- Do not use more than two 90° elbows in the • exhaust vent (all models).
- All single wall vent pipes must be sealed with high temperature sealant and 3 No. 8 sheet metal screws to prevent leakage of flue gas into the building.
- Horizontal flues (side wall venting) should be • pitched down toward outlet, 1/4 in. per ft. of the vent length, to prevent rain from entering the heater (see figure 2-26). Do not pitch heater. Vertical vents do not require pitch.



Fig. 2-26



Fig. 2-28



Multiple Heaters; Common Vent at 90°

Multiple Heaters; Common Sidewall Vent



NOTE: All common vented heaters must share the same thermostat.

# 2.10 Installation for Unvented Operation - Optional (For commercial and industrial installations only. Not for residential use!)

All units are approved for unvented operation when equipped with a factory supplied end cap/diffuser, Part No. WVE-GALV (WVE-3 for commercial and industrial LS and LD models) see figure 2-30. This allows the products of combustion to be discharged from the unit into the space being heated.

Ventilation of the space is required to dilute those products of combustion sufficiently. For proper ventilation, it is recommended that a positive air displacement of at least 4.0 CFM per 1000 BTU/H of natural gas input be provided. If propane is used, a positive air displacement of at least 4.5 CFM per 1000 BTU/H of gas input is recommended. Either gravity or mechanical means may accomplish this air displacement. Provisions must be made for a sufficiently large fresh air intake area and exhaust air outlet area, to accomplish the displacement. Local codes may require that the mechanical exhaust system be interlocked with the electrical supply line to the heaters, enabling both to function simultaneously.



Fig. 2-30



#### 2.11 Combustion Air Requirements

Combustion air intake has a factory preset air orifice. If indoor combustion air is to be supplied for a tightly closed room, one square inch of free air opening should be provided for each 5,000 BTU/H of heater input.

Non-contaminated air for combustion must be ducted to the heater if chlorinated or fluorinated contaminants are present in the area where the heater is installed, or if the building has a negative pressure. Typical sources of these contaminants are refrigerants, solvents, adhesives, degreasers, paint removers, paints, lubricants, pesticides, etc.

Outside combustion air may be provided by an accessory air duct, and directly attached over the air orifice (figures 2-31 & 32). A WIV wall inlet cap must be used with horizontal outside air intake ducts. The use of flexible 4" hose, connecting the air intake pipe to the heater is recommended to allow flexibility for expansion. See figure 2-31.



Fig. 2-31

For limitation of length and size, see the Air Intake Duct-Chart 6. The maximum number of 90° elbows allowed is two.

Keep intake opening at least 4 ft. from any exhaust vent openings. On rooftop penetrations, always place the vent stack higher than the air intake stack.

The air intake cap must be installed to prevent blockage. Locate WIV air intake by an area that dirt, steam, snow, etc. will not contaminate or clog the  $\frac{1}{2}$ " intake screen.

**NOTE:** In humid applications use insulated duct or PVC pipe to prevent condensation on outer surface of the intake pipe.

**NOTE:** Sidewall air intake is preferred over roof air intake.

AIR INTAKE DUCT CHART					
AIR INTAKE MAXIMUI					
	DUCT SIZE	INTAKE LENGTH			
MODEL [in.]		[ft]			
ALL	4	20			
MODELS	5+	30			

Chart 6



Fig. 2-32

#### 2.12 Gas Supply

### CAUTION!

CORRECT INLET PRESSURES ARE VITAL FOR EFFICIENT OPERATION OF HEATER. REFER TO AGA/CGA(CSA) RATING PLATE AND, IF NECESSARY, CONSULT GAS COMPANY.

If all or a portion of the gas supply line consists of used pipe, it must be cleaned and then inspected to determine its equivalency to new pipe. Test all main supply lines according to local codes. (Isolate heater gas valve and supplied gas cock during test.)

Excessive torque on manifold may misalign orifice. Always use two wrenches when tightening mating pipe connections.

#### WARNING!

Never use a match or any other flame to test for gas leaks. Use a soap and water solution to check for leaks.

If any portion of the gas supply line is located in an area that could cause an abnormal amount of condensate to occur in the pipe, a sediment trap should be installed (see figure 2-33).



Fig. 2-33

**NOTE:** For high pressure gas above 14 in. W.C.P. (Water Column Pressure), a high pressure regulator and gas cock must be used. If compressed air is used to detect leaks in the gas supply line, disconnect and cap shutoff cock to avoid damage to regulator and gas valve.

A typical gas supply line connection is illustrated in figure 2-33. The method shown will decrease the possibility of any loose scale or dirt in the supply line entering the heater's control system and causing a malfunction. Provide a 1/8 in. (3.2mm) NPT, plugged tapping accessible for test gauge connection immediately up stream of gas connection to heater. The gas supply line must be of sufficient size to provide the required capacity and inlet pressure to the heater (consult gas company) as follows:

**NOTE:** Manifold pressure should be checked at the tap on the gas valve. Readings will be above atmospheric pressure.

#### Natural Gas

To obtain the required manifold pressure of 3.5 in. W.C.P., a minimum inlet pressure of 5.0 in. W.C.P. is necessary for purposes of input adjustment. A maximum inlet pressure of 14.0 in. W.C.P. is allowed for all units.

#### • Liquefied Petroleum Gas

To obtain the required manifold pressure of 10.0 in. W.C.P., a minimum of 11.0 in. W.C.P. for purposes of input adjustment to a maximum of 14.0 in. W.C.P. must be provided ahead of the control system on each heater. Do not exceed a manifold operating pressure of 10.0 in. W.C.P.

Use only a pipe joint compound that is resistant to liquefied petroleum gases.

#### Pressure Equivalents

1 in. W.C.P. equals 0.58 oz/sq. in. = 2.49 Mbar.



#### Allowance for Expansion

Allowances must be made for the system to expand. A stainless steel, flexible gas connector is recommended. If, however, local codes require rigid piping to the heater, a swing joint can be used.

- Gas Line Connection
  - a. The gas outlet shall be in the same room as the appliance and the connector must not be concealed within or run through any wall, floor or partition.
  - b. The connector shall be of adequate length.
  - c. The final assembly shall be tested for leaks. CAUTION: Matches, candles, open flame or other sources of ignition **shall not** be used for this purpose. Leak test solutions may cause corrosion-water rinse after test.

- d. Contact with foreign objects or substances should be avoided.
- e. The connector should not be kinked, twisted or torqued.
- f. Connectors are not designed for movement after installation. Excessive bending, flexing or vibration **must** be avoided.

Connectors are for use only on piping systems having fuel gas pressures not in excess of ½ pound per square inch.

#### CAUTION!

CONNECTOR NUTS MUST NOT BE CONNECTED DIRECTLY TO PIPE THREADS. THIS CONNECTOR MUST BE INSTALLED WITH ADAPTORS PROVIDED. DO NOT REUSE.



Fig. 2-34\*

\*See kit content chart on page 12 of product insert to determine if above piece(s) should be supplied. (Not included on XTS or DES Series heaters.)

## Operation

### 3. OPERATION

#### **3.1 Electrical Requirements**

See applicable insert for specific instructions.

#### **3.2 Lighting Instructions**

- 1. Purge main gas supply line at start-up.
- 2. Rotate heater's manual gas valve knob to the "ON" position.
- 3. Close electrical circuit.

If heater fails to light, turn off gas and wait five minutes before repeating the above procedure.

#### INSTRUCTIONS POUR L'ALLUMAGE

- 1. PURGER LA CONDUITE D'ALIMEN-TATION EN GAZ PRINCIPALE.
- 2. TOURNER LE BOUTON DU ROBINET DE GAZACOMMANDE MANUELLE JUSQU'A CE QU'IL SE TROUVE EN POSITION DE MARCHE ("ON").
- 3. FERMER LE CIRCUIT ELECTRIQUE.

SI L'APPAREIL DE CHAUFFAGE NE S'ALLUME PAS, ATTENDRE 5 MINUTE AVANT DE SUIVRE DE NOUVEAU LES INSTRUCTIONS CI-DESSUS.

QU'IL SE TROUVE EN POSITION D'ARRET ("OFF").

#### **3.3 Shutdown Instructions**

- 1. Open electrical circuit.
- 2. Rotate heater's manual gas valve knob to the "OFF" position.

#### POUR ETEINDRE L'APPAREIL

- 1. OUVRIR LE CIRCUIT ELECTRIQUE.
- 2. TOURNER LE BOUTON DU ROBINET DE GAZA COMMANDE MANUELLE DE L'APPAREIL DE CHAUFFAGE JUSQU'A CE.



### 4. MAINTENANCE

Infrared heaters require a minimum of routine maintenance to keep them operating at peak performance.

#### WARNING!

Use protective glasses when cleaning the heater.

- 1. Ensure that the squirrel cage in the blower is kept clean. If dirt becomes a problem, installation of outside air intake ducts for combustion is recommended. Oiling the blower motor will extend bearing life beyond the 30,000 hour minimum.
- 2. Keep the aluminum reflectors clean.
- 3. Periodically check the integrity of the combustion tube and heat exchangers. Replace if there are signs of structural failure.

#### **RADIANT TUBE HEATER**

Date	Maintenance Performed	Replacement Components Requied
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### Maintenance

#### 4.1 TROUBLESHOOTING CHART

GENERAL TROUBLESHOOTING CHART					
SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	CORRECTIVE ACTION			
Thermostat closed, fan does not operate.	1. Blown fuse.	1. Replace.			
	2. Faulty thermostat.	2. Replace.			
	3. Loose or disconnected wire.	3. Repair as required.			
	4. Faulty fan.	4. Lubricate, repair or replace.			
Thermostat closed. Fan operates. No	1. Loose or disconnected wire.	1. Repair as required.			
switch indicator light.	2. Box lid or gasket not in place.	2. Put in place.			
	3. Plugged pressure switch lines.	3. Clean as necessary.			
NOIE: If glo-bar ignitor is energized, the	4. Plugged of restricted exhaust vent.	4. Remove foreign matter.			
indicator light is faulty.	5. Bame location incorrect.	5. Reposition barrie at vent end.			
Thermestet closed . Fen energies	6. Faulty pressure switches.	1. Replace only. Do not adjust.			
Prossure switch indicator light illuminates	2. Faulty glo-bal ignitol.				
No glo-bar ignitor.					
Thermostat closed. Fan operates.	1. Disconnected gas valve wires.	1. Repair as required.			
Pressure switch indicator light illuminates.	2. Faulty circuit board.	2. Replace.			
Glo-bar energizes. No valve light. NOTE: If	3. Faulty gas valve.	3. Replace.			
heater fires, the valve light is faulty.					
Thermostat closed Fan and glo-bar		1. Provide required day pressure			
operate Ignition occurs Burger cyclos	2 Baffle improperly positioned	2 Reposition haffle at vent end			
off Burner cylices on	3 Faulty exhaust pressure switch	3 Replace			
	4 Restricted flue vent	4 Remove foreign matter			
	5. No electrical ground	5. Connect electrical ground to junction box			
	6 Reversed polarity	6 Renair			
Thermostat closed Ean and glo-bar	1 Closed gas supply	1 Open all gas connections			
operate. After 45 seconds glo-bar shuts	2. Dirty or restricted orifice.	2. Remove and clean with a soft object.			
off. No ignition.	3. Faulty valve. Disconnected wire.	3. Replace or repair.			
	4. Inlet pressure exceeds 14" W. C. P.	4. Lower inlet pressure.			
Loss of heater efficiency	1. Low gas pressure.	1. Provide required gas pressure.			
	2. Dirty or restricted orifice.	2. Remove and clean with a soft object.			
	3. Foreign matter inside burner.	3. Clean as necessary.			
	4. Unit cycles on and off.	4. Check previous symptom.			
	5. Reflector is sooted and has lost its	5. Clean with aluminum cleaner and a soft			
	reflective ability.	wiping cloth.			
	<ol><li>Reflector not in place.</li></ol>	6. Put in place.			
	7. Clogged fan blower.	7. Clean.			
Radiant tube leaking burnt gases.	<ol> <li>Loose tube connections.</li> </ol>	1. Assure the the tube is fully inserted into			
		flared end and it is properly clamped.			
	2. Holes or cracks in radiant tubes.	2. Replace.			
Condensation	1. Stack length is too long.	1. Shorten stack length.			
	2. Light gauge flue stack used.	2. Minimum of 26 ga. Vent pipe required.			
Tuka kawisa	3. Contaminated compustion air.	3. Provide fresh air inlet duct.			
	1. Insumment compustion all.	BTU/H of input			
	2 Overfired	2 Check gas pressure and orifice size			
	3 Contaminated combustion air	2. Drovido frosh air inlot duct			
	A Heater unable to expand properly	A Remount with flexible inlet or vent nine			
Tube corroding	1 Contaminated combustion air	1 Provide fresh air inlet duct			
Visual inspection of burner operation not	1. Dirty or sooted sight glass.	1. Remove, clean or replace.			
possible.	2. Unit mounted upside-down	2. Mount correctly.			
Stack sooting	1. Insufficient combustion air.	1. Provide 1 sq. in. of free air for every 5000			
		BTU/H of input			
	2. Improper gas	2. Correct with proper gas input.			
Odor or tumes in space.	1. vaporized solvents decomposing	1. Address ventilation concerns.			
	when contacting radiant tubes.	2. Address ventilation service			
	2. Evaporation of oils/solvents at	2. Address ventilation concerns.			
	2 Fork litte	2 Address ventilation senseting /rengin			
	1. Looso tubo connectione	A Tighton tube clamps to 50 100 ft lbs			
	4. LOOSE TUDE CONNECTIONS.	14. righten tube clamps to 50-100 ft. Ibs.			



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