

BUILDING SERVICES

Solid Fuel Burning Appliances

Guideline

Guideline ESP - 33

Purpose

This guideline has been developed to help improve consistency with the installation, education and enforcement of Solid Fuel Burning Appliances installed in new/renovated construction.



Code Reference

Appliances, accessories, components, and equipment shall satisfy the requirements of one of the following, whichever is applicable.

Current National Building Code - Alberta Edition Division B Section 9.22.8, 9.22.9. and 9.22.10. CSA B-365 "Installation Code for Solid-Fuel-Burning Appliances and Equipment" CAN/ULC-S610 "Factory Built Fireplaces" ULC-S627 "Space Heaters" ULC-S628 "Fireplace Inserts" CAN/ULC-S629 "Factory Built Chimneys" ULC-S632 "Heat Shields" ULC-S635 "Lining systems for existing chimneys" CAN/ULC-S639 "Steel fireplace liners" CAN/ULC-S640 "Liners for new chimneys" ULC-S641 "Flue pipes"



Summary

The requirements of this Guideline are applicable to all Solid Fuel Burning Appliances. This information comes from the CSA B-365 and the current NBC Alberta Edition to provide clarity to designers, installers, and the local authorities.



Interpretation

This Guideline provides clarity and direction on the documentation required when applying for permitting, installation and inspections of a Solid Fuel Burning Appliance. Information and documentation confirming compliance to the following items must be provided to Rocky View County.



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Rocky View County – Building Services has provided direction regarding permitting requirements when installing a Solid Fuel Burning Appliance.

- Certification All materials used in construction must be evaluated to determine compliance with the requirements of the current National Building Code - Alberta Edition and the CSA B-365.
- 2) Permitting When applying for permits the following is required to be submitted.
 - a. Documentation confirming the appliance, chimney and all accessories are CSA compliant.
 - b. Owner's manual and or the installers manual.
 - c. Clearance specifications.
 - d. Building plans showing where the appliance is being installed.
- 3) Installation Must comply with all regulations outlined in the CSA B-365 and the manufactures specifications and by a qualified installer.
- 4) Inspections Building plans and all documentation related to the appliance is required to be always on site for the site inspector to review.
- 5) A Carbon Monoxide Alarm is required to be in the same room that contains a solid fuel burning appliance. Section 9.32. current National Building Code Alberta Edition.

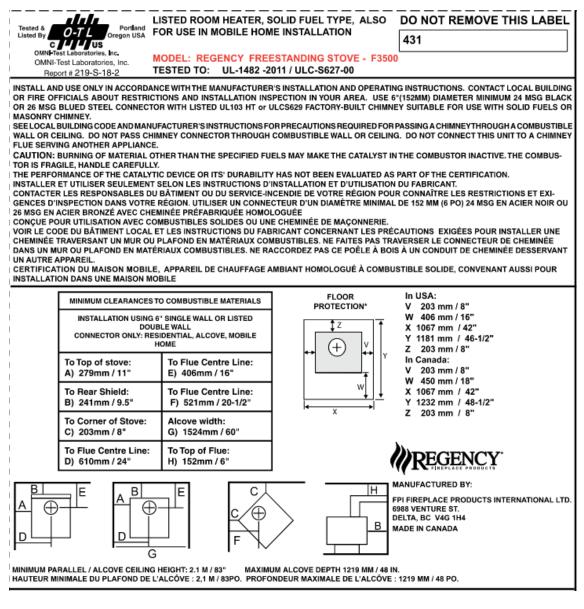


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Illustrations

Example of ULC certificate and clearances to combustibles



Reference

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