

THIS PRODUCT IS
FOR USE WITH
NATURAL GAS ONLY

FPK SPARK IGNITION SAFETY MANUAL



FPK Series Installation & Operation Instructions



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Hearth Products Controls

Fire-inspired since 1975.

820-FPK



This is a Safety Alert Symbol

When you see this symbol on the fire pit insert, or in this manual, look for one of the following signal word panels alerting you to the potential for personal injury, death or major property damage.



WARNING: For Outdoor Use Only.

Installation and service must be performed by a qualified installer, service agency, or the gas supplier.



WARNING

Do not store or use gasoline or other flammable vapors and liquids in vicinity of this or any other appliance.



DANGER

FIRE OR EXPLOSION HAZARD

If you smell gas:

- Shut off gas to the appliance.
- Extinguish an open flame.
- If odor continues, leave the area immediately.
- After leaving the area, call your gas supplier or fire department.

Failure to follow these instructions could result in fire or explosion, which could cause property damage, personal injury, or death.



DANGER

CARBON MONOXIDE HAZARD

This appliance can produce carbon monoxide which has no odor.

Using it in an enclosed space can kill you.

Never use this appliance in an enclosed space such as a camper, tent, car or home.



INSTALLER: Leave this manual with the appliance.

CONSUMER: Retain this manual for future reference.



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

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Important Safety Information

- Hearth Products Controls Company recommends that our products are installed by professionals locally licensed by the authority having jurisdiction in gas piping. All installation instructions must be followed to ensure proper performance and safety. Hearth Products Controls Company assumes no responsibility for problems relating to the installation.
- To qualify for warranty, all instructions must be strictly followed. Otherwise, warranty may be void. Never alter product or configuration in any way.
- Annual servicing should be handled by professionals certified in the US by the National Fireplace Institute (NFI) as NFI Gas Specialists or in Canada by WETT (Wood Energy Technical Training).
- It is the installer's responsibility to ensure a safe installation and to educate the end-user regarding the features, safety recommendations and proper operation of this product.
- Please reference page 1 for all warnings.

INSTALLER:

Leave this manual with the appliance.

END USER:

Retain this manual for future reference.

Technical Support

For information and support contact your Hearth Products Controls dealer.

1 Important Safety Information

Symbol Legend



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IMPORTANT

Necessary instructions



1 Important Safety Information

Please reference page 1 for all warnings.

Important Safety Information for Installers

Leave this manual with the end-user and instruct them to retain it for future reference. Instructions and product updates are also available at www.hpcfire.com under the Support tab.

Installers must carefully follow the instructions in this manual to prevent personal injury or property loss. These instructions contain information critical to the safe installation and operation of the fire pit.

- Instructions are updated as needed. It is the responsibility of the installers to check for product updates and installation manual updates at www.hpcfire.com/support.html prior to installation.
- It is the responsibility of the installer to follow:
 - The National Fuel Gas Code, ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54 or International Fuel Gas Code.
 - Natural Gas and Propane Installation Code CSA B149.1 or CSA B149.2.
 - The National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA 70. In Canada, Canadian Electrical Code CSA22.1.
 - Local codes
- Only use gas/fuel type specified for this fire pit as noted on the fire pit control box label. NEVER use an alternative fuel to include bio-fuel, ethanol, lighter fluid or any other fuel.
- Gas pressure and type should be checked prior to installation and use.
 - **Natural Gas Fire Pit:** Supply Pressure: Minimum: 6.0 inches W.C.; Maximum: 7.0 inches W.C.

Important Safety Information for End-Users

- Never leave an operating fire pit unattended or with someone not familiar with its operation or emergency shut-off locations.
- Both children and adults should be alerted to the hazards of high surface temperatures and should stay away to avoid burns and clothing ignition.
- Young children should be carefully supervised when they are in the area of fire pit.
- Keep the appliance area clear and free from combustible materials, gasoline, and other flammable vapors and liquids.

2 Product Features and Parts List

FirePitInsert
Installation and Operation Instructions



3 Selecting the Fire Pit Location

NOTE: All fire pits and systems are designed and intended for outdoor use only.

IMPORTANT

It is recommended that material such as granite, marble or other dense stone be kept away from heat and especially flame due to risk of cracking. HPC is not responsible for damage resulting from failure to follow these recommendations.

- Select a location that
 - ensures above-grade installation of the fire pit.
 - offers good drainage.
 - allows easy access for installation and maintenance of the fire pit.
 - provides sufficient horizontal room to enjoy the fire pit while allowing a safe distance from the heat and flame.
- Fire pits create very high temperatures. For clearances refer to table 3.1.
Clothing or other flammable materials should not be placed on or near fire pit.

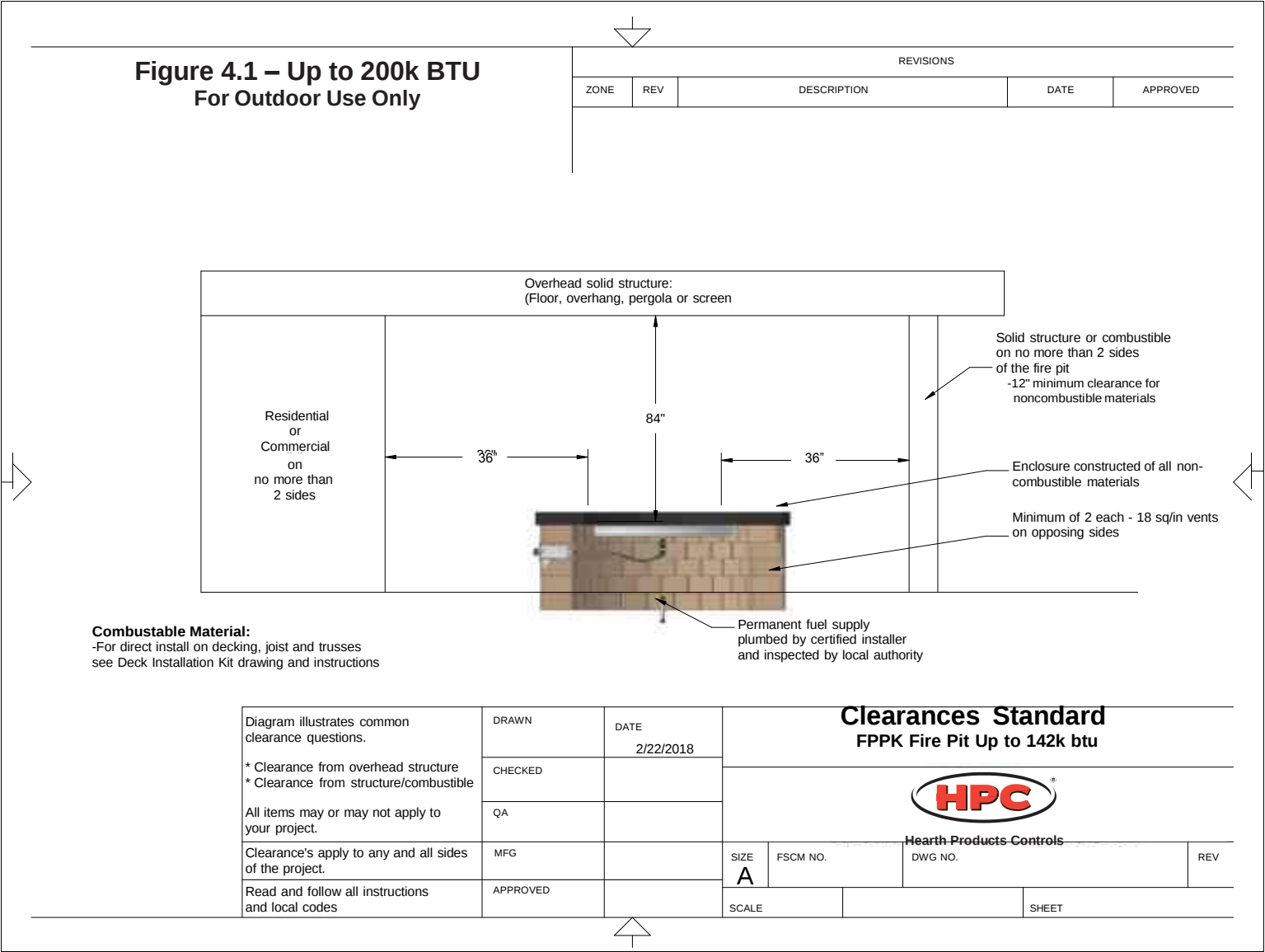
Clearances around Fire Pit

Fire Pit Clearances	Up to 200k BTU	201k ~ 400k BTU
Sides surrounding fire pit from structure or combustibles	36" (12" for noncombustibles)	48" (24" for noncombustible)
Overhead clearance above product	84"	Non-combustible screen only

Table 3.1 – Fire Pit Clearances

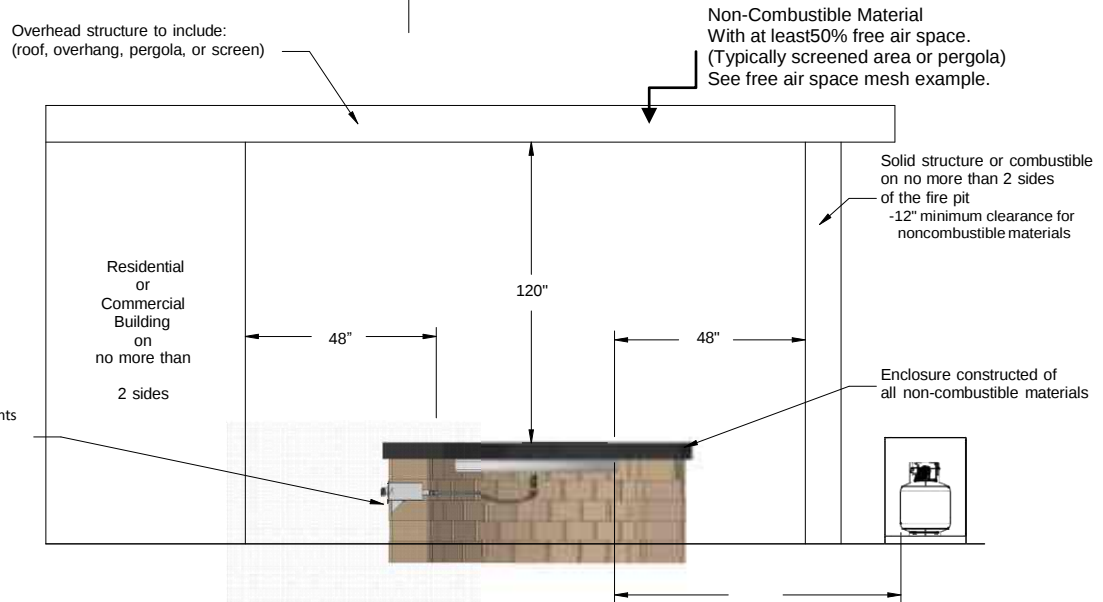
4 Overhead Structures and Sidewall Clearance Requirements

It's important to review the clearance requirements below for any type of overhead structure such as pergola, roof, overhang, screens, arbor, etc. or a sidewall to ensure that the distances are met. Figures 4.1 and 4.2.



4 Overhead Structures and Sidewall Clearance Requirements

**Figure 4.2 – 201k – 400k BTU : LP Tank
For Outdoor Use Only – Select Models Only**



Combustable Material:
-For direct install on decking, joist and trusses
see Deck Installation Kit drawing and instructions

Diagram illustrates common clearance questions. * Clearance from overhead structure * Clearance from structure/combustible All items may or may not apply to your project. Clearance's apply to any and all sides of the project. Read and follow all instructions and local codes	DRAWN	DATE	Clearance LP tank fire pit 201k-400k BTU HPC® Hearth Products Controls			
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Table 4.2 – Clearances for LP tank fire pit up to 201k to 400k BTU

5 Fire Pit Enclosures Requirements

Location and design

- The enclosure must be installed above-grade and allow for drainage to prevent water damage to fire pit.
- Refer to cut sheets on our website for important dimensional information for your fire pit. Visit www.hpcfire.com
- The fire pit assembly should be recessed a minimum of two inches from the top of the enclosure to protect flame from being blown out.
- It is recommended that material such as granite, marble or other dense stone be kept away from heat and especially flame due to risk of cracking. Manufacturer is not responsible for damage.
- The enclosure must be constructed on a stable surface and be level. HPC recommends the use of the installation collar (optional) that may be mortared into or sandwiched between layers of the enclosure.
- The weight of the fire pit must be supported by the pan and not by any control/valve box.
- HPC recommends that the pan lip is recessed on a trough (linear), and large round enclosures, Figure 5.1. **NOTE:** HPC cannot guarantee the lip on all of our products will be perfectly flat and will not warp due to heat.
- There must be a minimum of 2 inches under the valve box for proper ventilation and drainage, see clearance drawings on page 8 and 9.
- The product must be accessible for service.

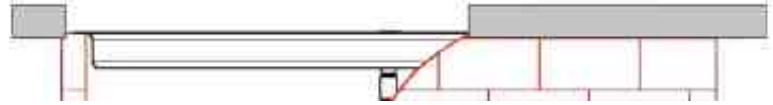


Figure 5.1 – Pan lip recessed on a trough.

5 Fire Pit Enclosures Requirements

Construction materials

- Use non-combustible materials and construction for gas supply, power and enclosure.
- The interior void space of the enclosure surrounding the valve box cannot be filled with any material (gravel, crushed rock, concrete, etc.).

Venting

- The enclosure must incorporate at least two vents to allow heat and or residual fuel to escape. Failure to properly vent the enclosure may result in the fire pit overheating or explosion.
- Some enclosures may require more ventilation based on material, size, and extended use.
- The vent may also work as a drain when installed at bottom sidewall to prevent water build up.
- Vent specifications:
 - A minimum of two vents (18 square inches for each vent) on opposing sides of the enclosure totaling 36 inches of free area are required (example: 3-inch x 6-inch or larger). Or, multiple vents uniformly made throughout the enclosure totaling 36 square inches or more of free area are acceptable.
 - Installation of the vents in the mid-to-lower area of the enclosure is recommended.

Fuel line

- Fire pit must have a gas shutoff on the outside of the exterior of the fire pit to allow for emergency shut off and maintenance. The gas shutoff should not be used to adjust flame height.
- The installer is responsible for using the correct fuel line sizing that is able to supply the stated maximum BTU for the product—refer to product label on the fire pit for specifications.

6 Installing the Fire Pit

INSTALLATION

We suggest that our products be installed by professionals that are locally licensed by the authority having jurisdiction in gas piping.

IMPORTANT

To prevent damage, unhook the fire pit from the gas supply for pressure leak tests.

IMPORTANT

Burn Testing: It is the responsibility of the qualified installer to test for gas leaks at all connections.

IMPORTANT

Gas Plumbing Connections: Use joint compound or tape that is resistant to all gases. Apply joint compound only to all male pipe fittings. **DO NOT use on flex line flared fittings.** Be sure to tighten every joint securely.

- Perform all leak tests with leak detector or leak reactant.

Installation Steps:

1. Set fire pit in properly constructed enclosure, read **Section 5 – Fire Pit Enclosure Requirements**.
2. Position fire pit following safety recommendations with access to all gas connections for testing. Read **Section 3 – Selecting the Fire Pit Location** for more details.
3. Shut off gas supply to fire pit.
4. Connect fire pit to main gas supply. Warning: avoid sharp bends with flex line to prevent whistling.
5. Turn on gas supply, purge gas lines of air and perform leak test on all inlet connections. Repair as needed.
6. Light fire pit. It may take several cycles to purge air from the lines. Read **Section 9 – Operating the Fire Pit**.
7. Once fire pit is lit, perform leak test on all gas connections. Repair as needed.
8. Turn off fire pit and allow it to cool.
9. Apply media as described in **Section 8, Adding Approved Media**. When filling the pan with lava rock and/or decorative glass, the instructions in Section 8 must be followed.
10. Turn on fire pit again and perform leak test with media correctly installed. If gas leak is detected verify correct media application and repair as needed.
11. Verify correct operation and lighting.
12. Review safety manual with end-user. Instruct end-user that fire pit or media must not be changed or modified.
13. Leave manual with end user.
14. Apply the Start Up and Shutdown decal next to control box in an obvious and highly visible position.

IMPORTANT

For Penta Burner inserts, flame will be smaller with no media on the burner.

7 Adding Approved Media



WARNING

Never use any material that is non-porous or holds moisture such as gravel, pebbles, river rock, etc. When heated, non-porous material will not allow heated steam to readily escape which can break and cause personal injury or damage. Material that holds moisture can boil and fracture unexpectedly when exposed to heat.

IMPORTANT

The fire pit is designed to use approved media correctly installed over the burner to achieve proper combustion.

- Never install a mesh or screen under the media.
- Media affects flame pattern greatly. It is possible to create an unusual flame pattern that could damage your enclosure. Enclosure damage from an open flame fire feature is not covered under any warranty.
- The use of concrete logs is not recommended.

Application of Approved Media

Please follow the instructions below to add the finishing touch to your fire pit.

Particular attention needs to be on the pilot assembly area.

Lava Rock Only Application

- 1) Install your fire pit per instructions.



- 2) Apply lava rock ONLY deep enough to cover ring.



Decorative Glass Application

- 1) Install your fire pit per instructions.



- 2) Fill pan with media. Cover burner with 1/4 to 1/2 inches of glass. Do not overfill pan with glass. Failure to do so may result in personal injury or property damage.



8 Operating the Fire Pit

- 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 suspected, turn off the main gas supply and repair immediately.
- Do not use the enclosure as a seating area. Wind and gusty conditions will affect the flame in an unpredictable manner. If conditions exist that are not safe for patrons, turn off the fire pit.
- The hose should be inspected before each use of the fire pit and replaced prior to use if there is evidence of excessive abrasion or wear or if the hose is damaged. The replacement hose assembly shall be that specified by the manufacturer.
- Do not use the fire pit if any part has been under water. Immediately call a qualified service technician to inspect the fire pit and to replace any part of the control system and any gas control that has been under water.
- Never use any material that is non-porous and holds moisture such as 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.
- Solid fuels shall not be burned in the fire pit.
- Leaves, sticks, wood, paper, clothing, food material, should be kept away from the fire pit. Clothing or other flammable materials should not be hung from the appliance or placed on or near the appliance. Keep the appliance area free from gasoline, and other flammable vapors and liquids.
- Fire pit is not for cooking.
- Make sure that there is no vegetation or other objects over the top or sides of the fire pit that could interfere with safe operation. See clearances in **Section 3 – Selecting the Fire Pit Location**.
- If lava rock is wet, allow the fire pit to burn for 45 minutes prior to coming within 15 feet of the fire pit.
- When the fire pit is not in operation, turn off gas valve.
- When not in use, the fire pit must be covered at all times.

8 Operating the Fire Pit

FPK Spark Ignition Start-up

1. STOP! Read the safety information on “If you smell gas”, **Section 1 – Important Safety Information**.
2. Ensure fire pit is clear of people and debris. Remove any covers and the fire pit is safe to start.
3. Turn gas supply valve to fire pit to ON position
4. Rotate gas valve key counter clockwise halfway to open gas to burner.
5. Turn ON spark igniter by depressing switch in short burst until burner lights.
6. Once lit, release switch for spark igniter.
7. Turn knob counter clockwise to open valve fully.

NOTE: If the burner fails to light, wait 5 minutes for gas to clear, then repeat steps 3-8.

8. Ensure fire pit, children and patrons are supervised by a responsible adult who is familiar with emergency shut-down.
9. Flammable materials should not be placed on or near the fire pit.

This product is intended to be connected to fixed piping systems.



DANGER

If you smell gas:

- 1) Shut off gas to appliance.
- 2) Extinguish any open flame.
- 3) If odor continues, keep away from appliance and immediately call gas supplier or fire department.

FPK Shutdown

1. Turn “off” fire pit by turning key clockwise to “OFF” position.
2. Turn off main gas valve to fire pit.
3. After fire pit has cooled, cover fire pit.



Figure 9.1

9 Maintaining the Fire Pit

- Any guard or protective device removed for servicing must be replaced prior to operating the fire pit.
- We suggest that our products be serviced annually by a professional certified in the US by the National Fireplace Institute (NFI) as NFI Gas Specialists.
- Ensure gas is shut off and fire pit is cool before servicing.
- Keep fire pit covered at all times when not in use and free of debris.

Service



We suggest that our products be serviced by a professional certified in the US by the National Fireplace Institute (NFI) as NFI Gas Specialists.

- **Burner Cleaning: One time a year.** If flames exhibit any abnormal shapes or behavior, or if burner fails to ignite properly, then the burner holes may require cleaning. The appliance can be cleaned by carefully removing the logs and media to allow access to burner. Use a brush to carefully remove dust, spider webs, and loose particles from base, logs, and fire ring itself. If evidence of damage, fire ring must be replaced with fire ring specified by the manufacturer.

Installing / Changing Batteries to Spark Module

Carefully unscrew the spark igniter unit cap

1. Remove cap with battery
2. Remove old battery from cap, install new battery
3. Holding by cap, slide battery into spark igniter unit
4. Tighten cap lightly- DO NOT over tighten.

We recommend using Alkaline battery.

10 Troubleshooting

Table 11.1, below indicates some potential causes and countermeasures to the symptoms indicated in bold type. **Please contact your retailer or certified technician for service and repair.**

Service



We suggest that our products be serviced by a professional certified in the US by the National Fireplace Institute (NFI) as NFI Gas Specialists.

Problem	Possible Causes	Solution
Will Not Light	Air in gas line	New install - may take several attempts
	No gas flow - gas not ON or line obstruction	Confirm gas is ON upstream Possible debris in line: insulation, dirt, plastic, etc.
	Will not spark	Check battery at spark module
Burner will not stay lit	Gas pressure improper	Confirm proper gas pressure (See Section 1 – Important Information for Installers)
	Burner obstructed	Confirm no water or debris in burner
	Improperly applied or too much media	Re-apply media (Section 8)
	Too windy	Use when less windy or with our wind guard (See page 24, Figure 12.1)
Low flame when turned to High	Gas pressure improper	Confirm proper gas pressure (See Section 1 – Important Information for Installers)
	Supply hose is pinched	Reposition supply hose as necessary
	Undersized gas supply line	Gas pipe, flex line, shutoff valve, etc. must be sized to deliver fire pit input pressure & BTU requirement
Noise when lit	Whistling - flex line bent too sharp	Re-route flex line to reduce bend

Table 11.1 – Troubleshooting

11 Compatible Accessories

- **Fire pit cover** – Hearth Products Controls has decorative copper covers and heavy-duty vinyl covers for your fire pit that will protect it from rain, snow, and moisture. See Figure 12.1.

For a complete list of accessories, visit www.hpcfire.com



Figure 12.1 – Fire pit cover

12 Replacement Parts

Please contact your dealer for parts – if unsure please contact HPC or visit our website at www.hpcfire.com and we will be happy to help you

El Series Replacement Components

Part Number	Item
691AA-IGNITER-ASSY	Spark Module
337	Key Valve (under 200k BTU)
337HC	Key Valve (201k-400k BTU)
131	Spark Igniter

13 Warranty

Warranty

Hearth Products Controls Co. (HPC) warrants fire pits against manufacturing defects that prevent safe and correct function as follows:

1) **Stainless Steel Fire Pit and Outdoor Fireplace Burners - Lifetime Warranty**

Limited Warranty:

- 2) Electronics, Gas Valve: Commercial-1 year; Residential-3 year.
- 3) Stainless Steel Pan: Commercial-1 year; Residential-5 years

Warranty commences 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 is not covered. This warranty excludes claims for consequential, indirect-collateral expenses arising from product defects or warranty recovery.

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