

## USER'S INSTRUCTIONS



# CONTOUR

MODEL 3290 - TEAK FINISH

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# SILHOUETTE

MODEL 3291 - MAHOGANY FINISH

MODEL 3297 - BLACK ASH FINISH

## Radiant / Convector Gas Fires

**THIS APPLIANCE IS FOR USE WITH NATURAL GAS (G20)  
AT A SUPPLY PRESSURE OF 20mbar (8in w.g.)  
THIS APPLIANCE IS FOR USE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM (GB)  
AND THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND (IE) ONLY**

**This booklet is intended to help you use and care for your Valor gas fire. Please read thoroughly before using and keep for future reference.**

## CAUTION

### IF YOU SMELL GAS

**DON'T SMOKE**

**EXTINGUISH ALL NAKED FLAMES**

**DON'T TURN ELECTRICAL SWITCHES ON OR OFF**

**TURN OFF THE GAS SUPPLY AT THE METER**

**OPEN DOORS AND WINDOWS TO GET RID OF THE GAS**

**IMMEDIATELY CALL THE GAS EMERGENCY SERVICE - SEE YOUR LOCAL TELEPHONE DIRECTORY**

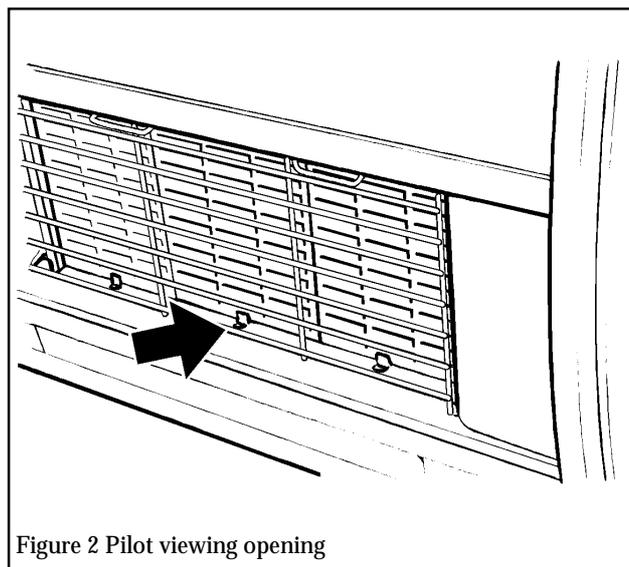
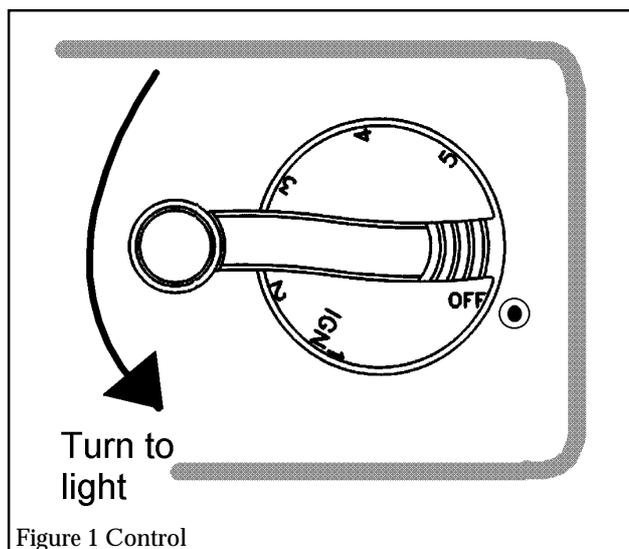
1. As with any gas appliance, this fire must be installed by a competent person in accordance with the Gas Safety (installation & use) regulations 1994 as amended.
2. If the fire is intended to be installed to a chimney which was previously used for solid fuel, please note that the chimney must be swept prior to installation.
3. On no account must the fire stand on carpets or other combustible materials. The fire must stand behind a non-combustible hearth surface at least 880 mm wide and 300mm from front to back. The hearth material must be at least 12.5mm thick. The top surface should be 50mm above floor level to discourage placing carpets, rugs or other combustible materials over it.
4. The minimum clearance from the top surface of the fire to the underside of any shelf made from wood or other combustible materials is as follows:-
  - *For a shelf up to 150mm deep*  
Minimum height = 203mm
  - *For a shelf deeper than 150mm*  
203mm + 12.5mm for every 25mm depth over 150mm.
5. It should be appreciated that although this appliance conforms to all the applicable standards, it is a heating appliance and certain parts of its surface will become hot. A suitable guard which complies with BS 6539 or 6778 should be used for the protection of young children, the elderly and the infirm. Such a guard is also recommended for the protection of pet animals.
6. Always switch the fire off and allow to cool before cleaning or carrying out any maintenance.
7. Never hang clothing, towels or any other fabrics over the fire.
8. This fire is fitted with a device which will automatically shut off the supply of gas to the fire if, for any reason, the pilot goes out. If this device does operate or if the fire is turned off accidentally or intentionally, always wait three minutes before attempting to relight.
9. Soft wall coverings (e.g. embossed vinyl etc.) which have a raised pattern, are easily affected by heat. They may, therefore, scorch or become discoloured when close to a heating appliance. Please bear this in mind when having a heating appliance installed and when redecorating.

#### **Please note**

When operating your fire for the first time, some vapours may be given off which may cause a slight odour and could possibly set off any smoke alarms in the immediate vicinity. These vapours are quite normal with new appliances. They are totally harmless and will disappear after a few hours use.

It is quite common for the radiants to take on a brown tint after a period of use. This is normal with all types of ceramic radiant and has no adverse effect whatsoever on the performance or safety of the appliance.

## OPERATING THE FIRE



### The flame sensing device.

For your safety, this appliance is fitted with a device which will automatically shut off the gas supply to the fire if the pilot flame goes out. It will also shut off the gas supply if the flue is blocked or if there is not enough ventilation. ***If this device starts to frequently shut off the gas, get expert advice.***

This device incorporates a probe which senses that the heat from the pilot flame is correct. If this probe is cool, the device will prevent any gas flow unless the control knob is held down at the ignition position.

If, for any reason, the flames go out when the fire is hot or if the fire is turned off when hot, always ***wait at least three minutes before attempting to relight.***

### To light and operate.

Depress the control knob and turn anticlockwise towards the 1/IGN position (Figure 1). A spark should be generated at the pilot while turning. The spark should ignite the pilot. The pilot flame can be seen through the opening immediately below the centre radiant (Figure 2).

Keep the knob depressed for about 10 seconds to allow the flame sensing probe to warm up before turning to your desired heat setting.

*(If the pilot does not light or remain alight, turn the control knob to OFF and try again. In the unlikely event of failure of the ignition mechanism, the pilot can be lit with a long match or taper as described below.)*

The control knob can then be set at your desired heat level. The settings are:

Knob

Position

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| 2 | Centre radiant on low. Outer radiants off.     |
| 3 | Centre radiant on full. Outer radiants off.    |
| 4 | Centre radiant on full. Outer radiants on low. |
| 5 | All radiants on full.                          |

To turn off, partially depress the knob and turn clockwise to OFF.

### Match or taper lighting

If the ignition system will not light the pilot, the fire can be lit with a long match or taper.

Depress and turn the control to the 1/IGN position. Keep the knob depressed and insert the lighted match or taper into the pilot viewing opening (figure 2).

When the pilot has been lit, keep the control knob depressed for approximately ten seconds to allow the flame sensing probe to warm up and then release it.)

For your own convenience, have the heater serviced as soon as possible.

## CLEANING

Turn the fire off and allow it to cool before attempting any cleaning.

Normally the fire will only need dusting. The bright metal trims may be cleaned with a damp cloth and dried with a soft

duster. Obstinate marks can be removed from the guard and trims using soapy water. ***Never use abrasive cleaners.***

The radiants can be cleaned with a soft brush - see below for how to remove the radiants.

## REPLACING THE RADIANTS (See figure 3)

### **Turn the fire off and allow it to cool before attempting to remove the radiants**

Remove the dress guard by pressing down the two hooks at the top. Tilt the guard forward and lift out.

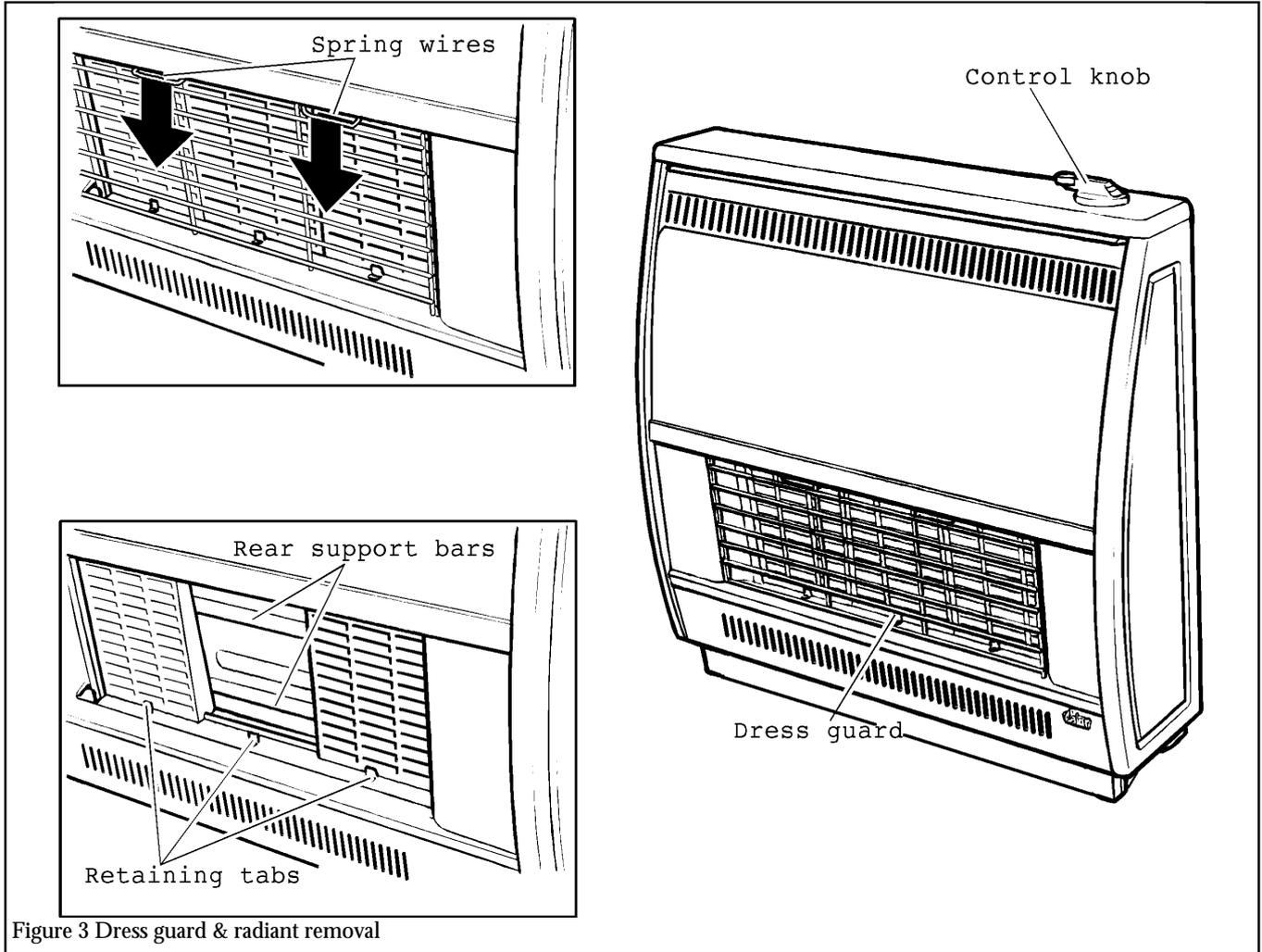
Lift the radiant upwards to clear the metal retaining tab then pull out bottom first.

Fit the new radiant by inserting its top under the top lip of the radiant box then swing the bottom of the radiant over and behind the retaining tab. The back of the radiant should rest

against the rear support bars and the bottom front edge should be behind the retaining tab.

Replace the dress guard. Locate the bottom of the dress guard in the two holes in the bottom panel apron. Push the guard back so that the two spring projections at the top of the guard engage in the slots under the front decorative canopy.

**Always use the correct type of replacement radiant. Ask for Valor part number 544649 (GC No. 125 164).**



## MAINTENANCE

### **Debris from the chimney**

The opening at the back of the appliance must be always kept clear of obstruction. If the chimney has previously been used for coal fires or is of normal construction it is possible that loose mortar and soot can fall behind the appliance. This, in time, may build up until the flue becomes restricted or even blocked. The chimney should be checked annually to ensure continued clearance of the combustion products and to ensure that no excessive build up of soot or other debris occurs. The appliance should be serviced regularly in order to ensure good mechanical operation.

It is important that this work is carried out by a competent person such as a CORGI registered installer.

### **General servicing**

If you require any attention to your fire, contact your supplier mentioning the model name and number. It will also be helpful if the appliance serial number is quoted. This will be found on a label on the right hand side of the case near the bottom.

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