

Standard of Documentation

All documentation submitted with your application must be accurately drawn to an appropriate scale for the job, be fully dimensioned and detail all materials to be used.

Specifications for the building work are also required, the specification should further define the building work including details of all materials to be used, finishes, and equipment to be installed.

Building Consent Application Checklist

- Completed Building Consent Application Form.
- A current copy of your rates demand for the property as proof of ownership.
- A complete Floor Plan showing all rooms and their uses and identifying the location of all smoke alarms. If the floor plan is not to scale, show the dimensions of the building, and indicate the distance from smoke alarms to the bedroom doors and on the escape routes.
- Installation instructions including clearance information for the solid fuel heater fire box.
- Installation instructions for the flue.
- Details of whether is intended to heat your hot water. Water booster information and plumbing specification will be required.
- Heating engineers report for second hand solid fuel heater only.
- Provide a flashing detail for the flue penetration through the roof cladding, if a proprietary flashing is to be used provide manufacturers specifications.



SOLID FUEL HEATERS

A Guide to Applying for Building Consent



Solid Fuel Heater Emissions

Environment Canterbury's Clean Air Policy

If your home has an existing open fire or solid fuel burner, it may be replaced with another appliance if the criteria specified by Environment Canterbury is met. If you don't already have an open fire or installed solid fuel burner, you may not install and use such an appliance unless it is on Environment Canterbury's approved appliance list and you have obtained a Building Consent from a Building Consent Authority for installation of the fire in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. A Resource Consent may be required from Environment Canterbury if your intended appliance is not on their approved appliance list.

Please Note:

Environment Canterbury impose the Clean Air Policy—any queries regarding appliance type approval and Resource Consent (if required) should be directed to Environment Canterbury on 0800 EC INFO (0800 324 636) or visit the Environment Canterbury website www.ecan.govt.nz.

An application for resource consent for a small scale fuel burning appliance outside the Christchurch Clean Air Zone is available from the following webpage: <http://www.ecan.govt.nz/Resource+Consents/Forms/Forms.htm>.

Do I need a Building Consent for a fire?

Yes you do. You require a building consent for all solid fuel heaters. This includes replacing your open fire with an inbuilt fire, new free standing fires, second hand fires, diesel fires, and replacement of existing fires.

Can I install a second-hand fire?

Yes. You need to provide us with a copy of an inspection report from an Approved Heating Engineer, along with the other information listed above. This report must detail the age of the fire, anticipated life expectancy, condition of the fire box, door, and other component parts. The fire will need to be installed with a new flue. As part of determining the above information, it is anticipated that your fire engineer will dismantle the fire and replace any necessary components to ensure the fire has a minimum five year durability.

Second Hand Solid Fuel Heater Reports are completed by:

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Garry Woolf

PO Box 23109
Templeton
Phone 03 347 8808

Taege Engineering

Main West Road
Sheffield
Phone 03 318 3824

Do I require a Building Consent for a gas fire?

No. Gas fire installers are self certifying, therefore you do not need to apply for a Building Consent if putting a gas fire into an existing house. However if you are putting a gas fire into a new house, we will check the seismic restraints as part of your final inspection.