Do you run 24 hours a day unatended

Posted by jaydub - 23 Nov 2012 22:03

My question is do you guys leave your stoves running when nobody is home..I'm new at this and I guess I dont feel comfortable doing it..I try to shut it down when I leave,,?

Is there a spell check on this fourm of do I have to rely on my Laptops spell check..?

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Re: Do you run 24 hours a day unatended

Posted by kappel15 - 23 Nov 2012 22:25

Yepper.

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Re: Do you run 24 hours a day unatended

Posted by rona - 23 Nov 2012 22:30

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Re: Do you run 24 hours a day unatended

Posted by jaydub - 23 Nov 2012 22:42

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I dont think I posted ash build up yet seems to run ok still trying to dial it in....Apox how full or what level do you try to keep the burn pot with pellets..?

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Re: Do you run 24 hours a day unatended

Posted by rona - 24 Nov 2012 00:30

Less then half full when it dumps- Maybe 1 1/2 inches at the most when it dumps. if you get to much it can cut the air flo so it isn't burning right- then if it is burning lazy the pot will fill up with unburned fuel and often it won't clean correctly when it dumps so you end up with a clump hanging up in the burnpot which effects how the next cycle burns.

Must have got you mixed up with someone else. Sorry.

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Re: Do you run 24 hours a day unatended

Posted by AC - 24 Nov 2012 13:44

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Your stove is the ussc 6041 correct? On setting 1 there is barely a hand full of pellets in pot on setting 9 might be a little less than quarter full. Has always amazed me that such a small fire heats my whole house. Toward the ended of 7 days you will start to see more ash in the pot and it will look fuller. That means it is time to clean the stove.

Your stove does not dump the pot like rona's. You have to pull the damper out to drop the ash under the burn pot. I usually do this each time I fill the hopper.

Yes my stove ussc 6039 runs 24/7, only shut down 20 minutes every Sunday for cleaning.

Spell check works should be red squiggly line under word that is misspelled, right click on word should give you correct spelling choices.

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Re: Do you run 24 hours a day unatended

Posted by mck - 24 Nov 2012 14:26

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I even sometimes clean mine without shutting off. When gone for 4 days had my dad come over every a.m. to fill up on corn. us stove 6039

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Re: Do you run 24 hours a day unatended

Posted by Bioburner - 25 Nov 2012 01:55

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Have left for long weekends,3 plus days without problems. Been using biofuels since 83. No central heat in my home now unless you can count the just installed harman with crosslink. Small gas stove for backup.

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Re: Do you run 24 hours a day unatended

Posted by jaydub - 25 Nov 2012 13:23

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Thank you all for your advise..I was cleaning under my burn pot every 6 hours or so seemed like a lot of ash.. After reading my Installation/operators Manual..wich by they way sucks.. About a lazy orrange flame..after trying different settings ..... Some how led me to the door not sealing..(I did read a post somewhere as well)..After shut down you can see black soot build around the frame.. To me the door seemed to fit proper.but what do I know.. Looking at the door latch tab..I recalled a post about adjusting the latch..Out came the hammer a few light blows and sure enough a tighter seal...Now the stove seems to burn like it should..I ran it from 5;00 pm last night and it is still running at 8:oo am this morning ..The flame looks as good as it did when I started it..Going to see how long the flame stays like that..Thanks again for the help..

I cant believe a little adjustment like that will make all the difference in the world..!

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Re: Do you run 24 hours a day unatended

Posted by AC - 25 Nov 2012 13:54

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After shut down you can see black soot build around the frame

You are still going to have some black soot build up around the stove face/frame. The door seal contacts the stove face 1 inch to 1 1/2 inches from the opening so you will have some soot build up in that area. (just wipe it off during weekly cleaning)

To test the seal you put a dollar bill between the seal and the face/front,close the door you should not be able to easily pull the bill out. Do this all the way around the door.

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