Pellet flow
Posted by command_z - 21 Dec 2012 17:20

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It seems, at least on my stove, that pellets in the hopper do not flow toward the auger as easily as corn. I have thought about installing slick sheet metal on the hopper floor. Or maybe graphite paint. Anybody else experience this? What have you tried with success or failure?

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Re: Pellet flow
Posted by FirepotPete - 21 Dec 2012 17:46

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Re: Pellet flow
Posted by command_z - 21 Dec 2012 18:02

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Great idea, thanks!

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Re: Pellet flow
Posted by FirepotPete - 21 Dec 2012 20:54

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Not my idea, I got it from the old forum first year I started burning. WE need to thank those guys. I'm just a messenger passing it on in this case.

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Re: Pellet flow
Posted by AC - 21 Dec 2012 21:23

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I used the tape for a while works somewhat. Cleaned out the hopper and tried the graphite spray worked also but you have to reapply every month or so. Overall the tape worked better but pellets still did not slide enough in my ussc 6039.

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Re: Pellet flow
Posted by Nogas - 22 Dec 2012 00:52

Sorry, mine slide right down to the center, and burns all but a couple pellets. I thought about something along the line of parchment paper for cooking. Real slick, but keeping it in place might need some double sided tape.

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Re: Pellet flow
Posted by command_z - 22 Dec 2012 02:14

Bought some aluminum tape today. Will apply it this weekend at cleaning time. Thanks for all the input.

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Re: Pellet flow
Posted by AC - 22 Dec 2012 02:35

FirepotPete wrote:

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Re: Pellet flow
Posted by FirepotPete - 22 Dec 2012 14:22

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Horizontal, from the bottom, overlapped just like laying shingles. It's not the cure all but better than how

they slid in the hopper without the tape.

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Re: Pellet flow

Posted by AC - 22 Dec 2012 20:31

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OK that is what I also did, and you are correct better than it was but not perfect in our 6039's. Thanks I was starting to think I did something the wrong way again.

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