

O W N E R G U I D E



# MODEL 473

Room Sealed Radiant / Convector Gas Fire Black Beauty Unigas II

This Owner Guide is intended to help you care for your Valor gas fire.

Please read carefully before using your gas fire and keep for future reference.

This Owner Guide gives sufficient details to enable your gas fire to be

operated and maintained.

#### IMPORTANT.

Please keep your Owner Guide in a safe place together with the Installer Guide.

This appliance is for use with natural gas (G20)

This appliance is for use in the United Kingdom (GB) and the Republic of Ireland (IE) only.



# Thank you for choosing Valor.

All Valor gas fires are designed to meet the most stringent quality, performance and safety requirements to provide our customers with many years' trouble-free service.

Your owner guide aims to improve your understanding and appreciation of your Valor gas fire by providing simple and informative instructions to ensure that you benefit from the excellent performance and features it has to offer.

<u>In the United Kingdom</u> If you require further assistance or any advice about gas in general, the **Valor AdviceLine** will be pleased to help.

Please telephone **0345-626341** (local call rates apply).

# FOR OTHER USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS SEE PAGE 8.

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# **SAFETY**

- Soft wall coverings (e.g. embossed vinyls etc.) are easily affected by heat. They may, therefore, scorch or become discoloured when close to a heating appliance. Please bear this is mind when having a heating appliance installed and when redecorating.
- As with any gas fire, this appliance must be installed by a competent person in accordance with the latest edition of the Gas Safety (Installation & Use) Regulations and in accordance with the installation guide supplied with this appliance.
- A shelf made of wood or other combustible material may be fitted above the fire provided that the following conditions
  are satisfied:-
  - For a shelf not more than 150mm deep, there is at least 75mm clearance above the extreme top surface of the fire. For a shelf of greater depth, there is an additional clearance of 12.5mm for each extra 25mm of added shelf depth. Please bear this in mind if you alter the room.
- A minimum clearance of 140mm should be maintained at the right side of the fire to allow easy access to the control knob and 75mm at the left side to allow access to the knurled nut for removal of the outer case.
- Never throw paper or other material on the fire.
- The fire should not be used without the coal bed in its correct position or with a damaged coal bed.
- The fire must never be used without the glass panel in position or with damaged glass. If the glass is damaged the fire should be switched off and not used until the glass is replaced.
- The glass panel acts as a fireguard conforming to BS 1945: 1971 and satisfies the Heating Appliance (Fireguard) (Safety) Regulations 1991 but does not give full protection for young children, the elderly or the infirm. Extra security can be provided by fitting a fireguard which complies with the requirements of BS 6539 (Fireguards for use with Solid Fuel Appliances) 1984. Such a fireguard is also recommended for the protection of pet animals.
- The glass panel, and areas surrounding the firebox become very hot when the fire is in use. Always switch the fire off and allow to cool before handling.
- No attempt should be made to clean the bright metal interior of the firebox with metal polish or other abrasives. After a little use the interior of the firebox will colour. This is quite normal.
- Never obstruct any of the openings of the fire casing by hanging clothing, towels etc. over them.
- This appliance is fitted with a device which will automatically shut off the supply of gas to the fire if, for any reason, the burner 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.
- The flue terminal on the outside wall must be kept free from all obstructions and blockages.

#### Please Note

When your fire is operated for the first time, some vapours may be given off which might 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.

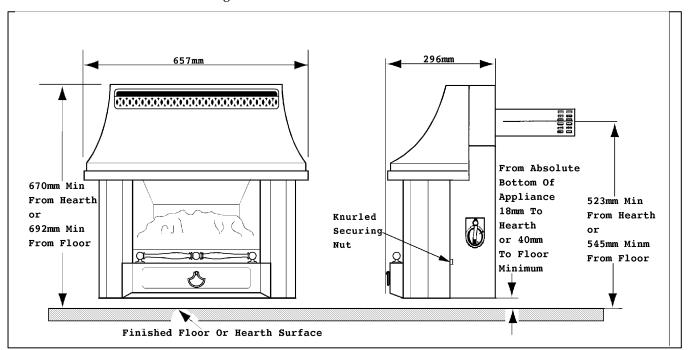
#### Glass Window

As with all windows, the glass may need to be cleaned both outside and inside from time to time. The window and frame on this appliance has, therefore been designed to be customer removable allowing you to clean it without having to call in a service engineer. Details of how to remove the window unit are given further on in this booklet. Thank you for choosing this Valor gas fire. It has been designed to give years of trouble-free service. To maintain its optimum performance, advantage should be taken of the regular servicing and inspection facilities available for gas appliances. Annual servicing is recommended. These instructions are provided to help you in operating and looking after your new fire and should be kept in a safe place together with the installation and servicing instructions for future reference.

## PLEASE OBSERVE THE CAUTION STATEMENTS ON PAGE 1

#### 1. GENERAL SPECIFICATION

The fire has a maximum gas input of 4.9kW. The overall dimensions are shown in Figure 1.





# 2. OPERATION

- **2.1** The pilot may be left alight. It is advisable, however, that the pilot is turned off if the premises are to be left unoccupied for a lengthy period.
- **2.2** For your safety the fire is fitted with a Flame Supervision Device which will shut off the gas supply if for any reason the pilot goes out. This device incorporates a fixed probe which senses the heat from the pilot flame. If the probe is cool the device will prevent any gas flow unless the control knob is held down. (see the following lighting instructions).

#### 2.3 To light the pilot

2.3.1

<u>Warning</u>: If the pilot flame is extinguished either intentionally or unintentionally, do not attempt to relight the gas until at least 3 minutes have elapsed.

Depress the control knob. While keeping it depressed, turn to IGN position. Turning the control should normally cause two consecutive sparks to occur which should ignite the pilot gas. A click should be heard while turning each time a spark is generated. The pilot flame can be seen by looking through the gap at the front of the right side front coal - see figure 3.

**2.3.2** When the pilot is alight, keep the control knob depressed for a few seconds to prevent the flame supervision device from shutting off the gas supply while its probe warms up, as explained above, then release it. If the pilot does not remain alight turn the knob back to OFF, wait a few seconds and repeat the lighting sequence.

#### 2.4 To select burner setting.

When the pilot is alight, partially depress the knob and turn to position 1. Both main and decorative flame burners should light at their lowest setting. The decorative flames should just be visible.

Turn the control knob gradually to your desired setting. Both burners should gradually increase in output until at MAX position the main burner is at its greatest heat output and the decorative flames are at their full magnitude.

#### 2.5 To turn off

- **2.5.1** To turn the main and decorative flames off but leaving the pilot alight, depress the control knob partially, turn clockwise to IGN and release the knob. If any resistance is felt at position 1 when turning, release the downwards pressure on the knob before continuing to turn.
- **2.5.2** To turn the pilot off, depress the control knob at the IGN position, turn clockwise to OFF and release the knob.

## 3. CLEANING

All cleaning should be carried out when the fire is cold. Normally, the fire should only need dusting. Any stains on the glass can be removed with a non abrasive cleaner such as a ceramic hob cleaner. Abrasive cleaners should never be used.

#### 3.1 To clean the inside of the window.

- **3.1.1** Detach the case front by removing the knurled screws and washers at the case sides (see figure 1).
- **3.1.2** Pull the bottom of the case forwards and then lift to remove.
- **3.1.3** Remove the window unit by detaching the 12 wing nuts securing the frame (see fig. 4) and pulling forward.
- **3.1.4** Clean the window carefully using a suitable cleaner in accordance with the instructions supplied with the cleaner.
- **3.1.5** Replace the window unit ensuring that the seal around the frame is not damaged or misplaced. Secure with the 12 wing nuts tightening them evenly.
- **3.1.6** Replace the case front.

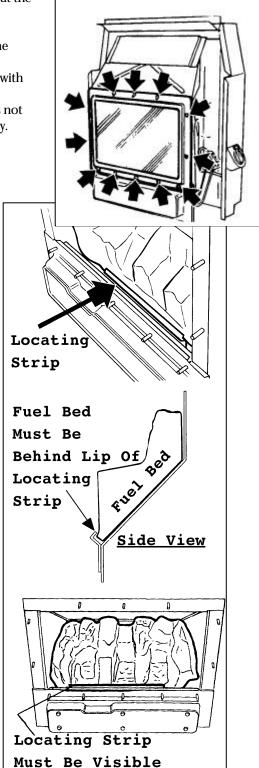
#### 3.2 Cleaning the coal pieces

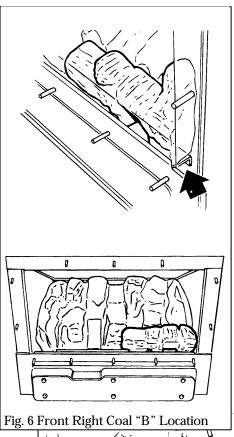
If for any reason the coal pieces require cleaning, proceed as follows:-

- **3.2.1** Remove the case front and window as described above.
- **3.2.2** Carefully lift the coal pieces out of the firebox and place them on a piece of cardboard or similar.
- **3.2.3** Carefully clean the upper and lower surfaces of the coals with a soft brush or vacuum using a soft brush attachment.
- **3.2.4** Replace the coal pieces as described below.

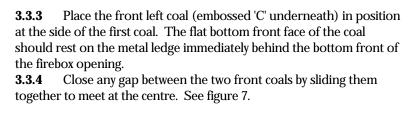
# 3.3 Replacing the coal pieces

**3.3.1** Place the fuel bed (embossed 'A' underneath) in position. The front edge of the fuel bed locates under the flange of the locating strip at the base of the firebox. See figure 5.

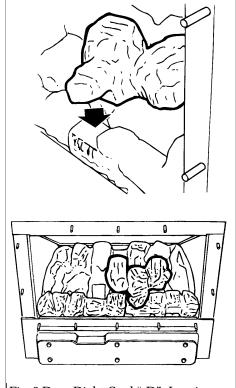




**3.3.2** Place the front right coal (embossed 'B' underneath) in position. The flat bottom front face of the coal should rest on the metal ledge immediately behind the bottom front of the firebox opening. Slide the coal to the right side. See figure 6.



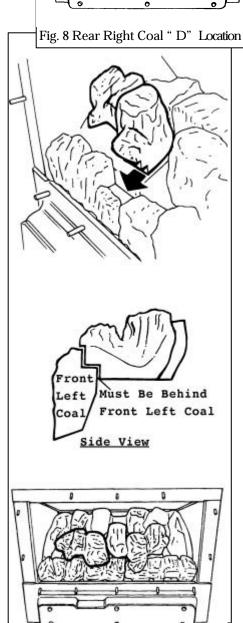
 ${\bf 3.3.5}$  Place the rear right coal (embossed 'D' underneath) in position as shown in figure 8.



- ${\bf 3.3.6}~{\rm Place}$  the rear left coal (embossed 'E' underneath) shown in figure 9.
- **3.3.7** Replace the window unit ensuring that the seal around the frame is not damaged or misplaced.

Secure with the 12 wing nuts tightening them evenly.

**3.3.8** Replace the case front.



# **SERVICING & MAINTENANCE**

- In order to achieve and maintain high levels of personal safety and performance efficiency it is essential that the flue terminal outside the building is kept clear of any form of obstruction.
- We recommend that all gas appliances and their flues, are checked annually by a competent person (in the UK a CORGI registered installer).
- In the United Kingdom it is the law that a landlord must have any gas appliance, flue and pipework which is situated in a tenant's premises checked for safety at least every twelve months.

The following spare parts can be fitted by the user. It is essential that only correct parts approved for use with this appliance are fitted. When fitting these spares please follow the instructions.

Part No.	Description	No. Per Fire
525269	Set of 4 coals	1
525259	Coal Bed only	1
525159	Window Unit	1
533249	Wing nut for window unit	12
514679	Knurled nut for case front	2

To help us quickly help you, please try to have the following information available before you contact us:

- a) Your Post Code.
- b) Type of fire.
- c) Model/Name.
- **d) Serial Number** This will be found on a label on the right hand side of the case near the bottom.
- e) The fault, problem or request.

General advice about gas and your gas fire:

VALOR ADVICELINE 0345 626341.

To report faults or arrange for your fire to be serviced:

VALOR SERVICE 0121 386 6203.

To order spares or for sales information:

VALOR SALES 0121 386 6260.

CALLERS IN THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

Call 0044 121 373 8111

# Safety First.

Valor fires are CE Approved and designed to meet the appropriate British Standards and Safety Marks.



# Quality and Excellence. At the heart of every Valor fire.

All Valor fires are manufactured to the highest standards of quality and excellence and are manufactured under a BS EN ISO 9001 quality system accepted by the British Standards Institute.



# **The Highest Standards**

Valor is a member of the Society of British Gas Industries which works to ensure high standards of safety, quality and performance.





## **Careful Installation**

Valor is a Corgi registered company. All our gas fires must be installed by a competent Corgi Registered Installer in accordance with our Installer Guide and should not be fitted directly on to a carpet or floor of combustible material.



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