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*Home is where the hearth is.*

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## How to Get the Best from your Appliance:

- ✿ Always read the operation instructions and familiarise yourself with your appliance before you use it. Always follow the manufacturer's instructions on maintenance and use.
- ✿ Use dry fuel and wood to reduce emission of smoke and other gases. Fuel should be well-seasoned and preferably have low resin content. You should not use any wood that has any kind of coating on the surface e.g. varnish or paint, as harmful gases may be emitted on burning.
- ✿ Do not burn household waste – such as plastic or metal. These emit harmful gases or can explode from the fire when hot.
- ✿ The main chimney or flue should be swept at least once a year – twice or more if the appliance is burning house coal or wood. (Either a Guild of Master Sweeps or NACS member). Flue pipes which connect an appliance to the main flue should also be cleaned regularly.
- ✿ Glass doors on appliances are easily cleaned by opening the door, allowing it to cool and wiping clean with a warm damp cloth or suitable glass cleaning product specially produced for stoves.
- ✿ When the room is unoccupied, a fire screen should always be used if children are in the room.
- ✿ Do not apply excessive draught strips to doors and windows, or block air vents – solid fuel appliances and chimneys need a supply of air to function properly.
- ✿ Although multi-fuel stoves are robust you should have the appliance checked and serviced annually by a qualified heating engineer to maintain efficiency and maintain safe operation.
- ✿ Never light a fire for the first time without having the chimney swept. It may be blocked and harmful fumes and smoke may enter the room.
- ✿ If you smell fumes or smoke is entering the room, put the fire out, open the windows and leave the room. Do not relight the fire until the appliance has been checked by a qualified engineer. (Ask for a list of HETAS Registered Engineers in your area).

