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### Report

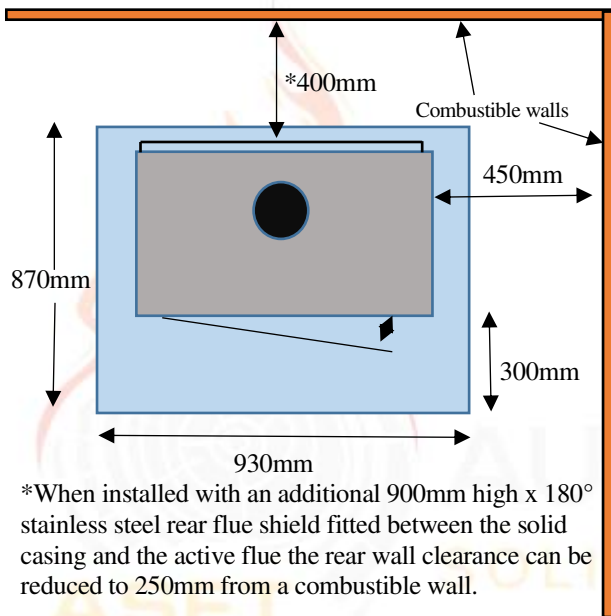
The VisionLINE Phoenix Free-Standing appliance installed with a VisionLINE Default 6” Flue Kit with 8” solid casing was tested in two positions in a manner conforming to joint Australian/New Zealand Standard 2918:2018, Appendix B.

A minimum 870mm deep x 930mm wide x 6mm thick floor protector (compressed board) should be used under and in front of the appliance base when installing the appliance (see joint AS/NZS 2918:2018 3.3.2). The floor protector should extend 300mm in front of the appliance door and be placed centrally in the 930mm width. The Thermal resistivity of the floor protector is 0.026m<sup>2</sup>.K/W for 6mm thick compressed board sheets.

The VisionLINE Phoenix Free-Standing solid fuel appliance installed with a VisionLINE Default 6” Flue Kit with 8” solid casing conforms to the requirements of the joint AS/NZS 2918:2018 Standard, Appendix B.

The appliance and flue system were tested at the following clearances:

**Position A – Parallel position**



**Position B – Corner position**

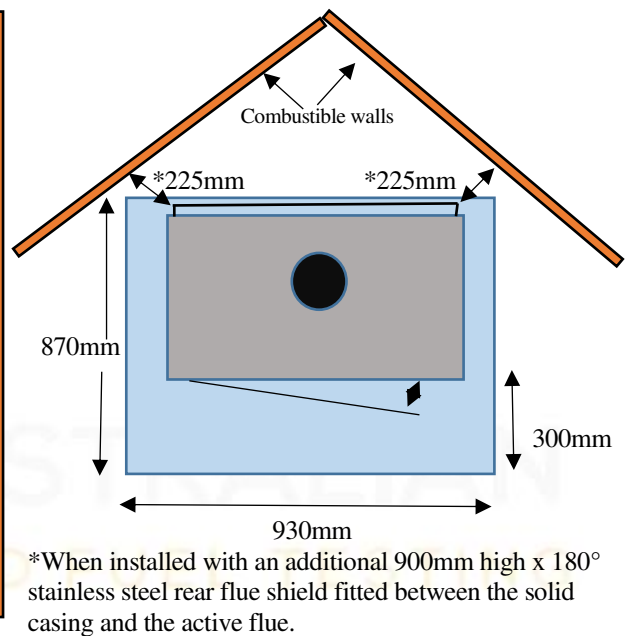


Figure 1 – Clearance Diagram

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Thermal Clearance testing of the Appliance and flue system took place on 5 October 2021 at the Australian Solid Fuel Testing Laboratory located at 3 Garden Street, Morwell, Victoria. The testing was performed by Mr G.W. Mooney and Mr S. Marland.

## 2. PROCEDURE

Testing was conducted as per Appendix B of AS/NZS2918;2018, Hot sites were located with the aid of an infra-red thermometer. Thermocouple tips were stapled onto the test surfaces, with black tape over the first 100 mm to facilitate consistent and accurate recording of temperatures.

Thermocouple positions are shown in the table below:

### Position A – Parallel Position

Thermocouple No.	Position	Thermocouple No.	Position
1	Floor - 1300mm in front of centre	16	Floor – 150mm RHS of centre
2	Floor – 1200mm in front of centre	17	Floor – 300mm RHS of centre
3	Floor - 1050mm in front of centre	18	Floor – 450mm RHS of centre
4	Floor – 900mm in front of centre	19	Ceiling Ring – Inner side
5	Floor – 750mm in front of centre	20	Ceiling Ring – 25mm to side
6	Floor – 600mm in front of centre	21	Ceiling Ring – Inner front
7	Floor – 450mm in front of centre	22	Ceiling Ring – 25mm in front
8	Floor – 300mm in front of centre	23	Rear wall – 801mm from corner, 2029mm above the floor
9	Floor – 150mm in front of centre	24	Rear wall – 764mm from corner, 1263mm above the floor
10	Floor – Centre of flue	25	Rear wall – 848mm from corner, 2149mm above the floor
11	Floor – 150mm behind centre	26	RHS wall, 1203mm from corner, 772mm above the floor
12	Floor – 300mm behind centre	27	RHS wall, 512mm from corner, 1223mm above the floor
13	Floor – 450mm LHS of centre	28	RHS wall, 1453mm from corner, 809mm above the floor
14	Floor – 300mm LHS of centre	29	Rear wall – 611mm from corner, 1155mm above the floor
15	Floor – 150mm LHS of centre	30	Ambient temperature

### Position B – Corner Position

Thermocouple No.	Position	Thermocouple No.	Position
19	Ceiling Ring – Inner side	25	LHS wall – 767mm from corner, 1049mm above the floor
20	Ceiling Ring – 25mm to side	26	RHS wall, 592mm from corner, 1127mm above the floor
21	Ceiling Ring – Inner front	27	RHS wall, 945mm from corner, 778mm above the floor
22	Ceiling Ring – 25mm in front	28	RHS wall, 918mm from corner, 1224mm above the floor
23	LHS wall – 548mm from corner, 2103mm above the floor	29	LHS wall, 611mm from corner, 1157mm above the floor
24	LHS wall – 758mm from corner, 860mm above the floor	30	Ambient temperature

TABLE 1

### **3. TEST FUEL**

Testing was conducted with Pinus Radiata as the test fuel which had a moisture content of 12.7% moisture. Each firewood piece was 300mm x 75mm x 45mm.

### **4. FLUE SYSTEM**

The flue system used during testing was a VisionLINE Default 6" Flue Kit with 8" solid casing raised 10mm above top plate was supplied by VisionLINE Flue Systems. This flue system has not been tested to joint AS/NZS 2918:2018, Appendix F. The flue height was  $4.6 \pm 0.1$ m from the floor protector. Appendix 1 shows details of the flue system.

### **5. RESULTS**

#### **5.1 High Fire Test**

The appliance was fired in accordance with Section B9.1 of AS/NZS2918;2018. The level of fuel was maintained between 50-75% of the full volume level of the fuel chamber during the High Fire test.

The average fuel load for initiating the High Fire tests was 9.1kg with an average refuelling rate of 1.5kg/10 minutes.

During High Fire testing it was found that the highest surface temperatures occurred when the primary air control and the baffle by-pass of the appliance was fully open.

#### **5.2 Flash Fire Test**

Immediately after the High Fire test was completed, sufficient embers were removed to bring the fire bed to a level of 15-25% of the fuel chamber volume. The appliance was then fired in accordance with Section B9.2 of AS/NZS2918;2018.

The average fuel load for initiating the Flash Fire tests was 7.5kg.

The highest temperature rises were achieved by leaving the main door resting against the door catch with the primary air and the baffle by-pass fully open.

### 5.3 Ambient and Test Surface Temperatures

The Tables below show the Ambient temperatures and test surfaces temperatures during testing of the appliance and flue combination:

#### *Ambient Temperature Range °C*

Position	High Fire	Flash Fire
A	12.2 – 25.0	16.6 – 24.3
B	12.6 – 22.1	16.6 – 24.8

#### *Maximum Surface Temperature Rise above Ambient - Position A*

Position	Thermocouple Number	High Fire Test (°C)	Thermocouple Number	Flash Fire Test (°C)
Floor	4	57.8	4	58.3
Ceiling	22	64.6	22	82.7
Rear Wall	29	63.1	25	82.0
Side Wall	26	61.5	26	66.7

#### *Maximum Surface Temperature Rise above Ambient - Position B*

Position	Thermocouple Number	High Fire Test (°C)	Thermocouple Number	Flash Fire Test (°C)
Ceiling	20	62.4	20	84.2
RHS Wall	28	61.5	29	69.7
LHS Wall	29	63.7	28	76.7

### 5.4 Uncertainty of Measurement Statement

5.5.1 The uncertainty of distance measurement for determining clearance distances was not greater than  $\pm 3$ mm.

5.5.2 The uncertainty of temperature measurement during the entire test period was a maximum of  $\pm 2^\circ\text{C}$  at a 95% confidence level.

## 6. APPLIANCE CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

The test results reported directly relate to the appliance/flue system tested. The details of the appliance given in this section include features which may affect safety clearances. Any change in the design/construction of this appliance or flue may invalidate this report. Below are the constructions details of the appliance:

Appliance Model Name: <b>VisionLINE Phoenix</b>		Serial No: <b>N/A</b>
Manufacturer: <b>Jetmaster (Vic) Pty Ltd</b>		
Overall Height: <b>922mm</b>	Overall Depth: <b>570mm</b>	Overall Width: <b>690mm</b>
Top Plate Width: <b>690mm</b>	Top Plate Depth: <b>570mm</b>	Top Plate Thickness: <b>6mm</b>
Appliance pedestal Height: <b>387mm</b>	Depth: <b>570mm</b>	Width: <b>690mm</b>
Usable Firebox Height: <b>310mm</b>	Width: <b>557mm</b>	Depth: <b>391mm</b>
Usable Firebox Volume: <b>67.51 Litres</b>		
Firebox Material Type/Seam Fully Welded: <b>Fully welded 5mm steel</b>		
Firebrick Type: <b>Fully lined Ceramic</b>		
Main Door Opening Height: <b>310mm</b>	Width: <b>530mm</b>	
Door Height: <b>470mm</b>	Width: <b>650mm</b>	Depth: <b>45mm</b>
Door glass Height: <b>450mm</b>	Width: <b>645mm</b>	
Primary Air Location: <b>Below firebox at front</b>		
Dimension of Primary Air: <b>2 slots @ 60×35mm deep + 2 slots @ 60×19mm deep. 2 D shapes slots 9mm long × 8mm wide when fully closed. 2 slots 60×3mm deep + 2 D shapes slots 12mm long × 8mm wide when set to 3mm open</b>		
Area of Primary (mm <sup>2</sup> ): <b>4,200 + 2,280 = 6,480mm<sup>2</sup></b>		
Secondary/Tertiary Air Location: <b>2 slots each side of firebox 255mm below baffle</b>		
Dimension of Secondary/Tertiary Air: <b>4 slots @ 70mm long × 7mm</b>		
Area of Secondary/Tertiary Air (mm <sup>2</sup> ): <b>1,960mm<sup>2</sup></b>		
Baffle Plate size: <b>340×620×30mm</b>		
Baffle By-pass size: <b>210×85×5mm</b>		
Flue Dimensions: <b>152mm</b>		
Spigot Dimensions:	OD: <b>145mm</b>	ID: <b>135mm</b>
Spigot to Rear of Appliance: <b>130mm</b>		
Rear Internal to External Heat Shield: <b>15mm</b>		
Firebox to Side External Heat Shield: <b>25mm</b>		
Heat Shield Material Type: <b>Sides 6mm steel, Rear 2mm steel</b>		
Additional Rear Heat Shield: <b>635×500×1.2mm</b>		
Additional Rear Heat Shield Internal to External Heat Shield: <b>15-60mm</b>		
Water Heater Fitted: <b>No</b>		
Fan Location/Speeds: <b>N/A</b>		
Catalytic Combustor fitted: <b>No</b>		
Grate: <b>No</b>		
<b>NOTE: Accuracy of measurement is ±5% of the measured value</b>		

## 7. CONCLUSION

The VisionLINE Phoenix Free-Standing appliance installed with a VisionLINE Default 6” Flue Kit with 8” solid casing raised 10mm above the top plate, conforms to the requirements of Australian/New Zealand Standard 2918:2018, with respect to floor, ceiling, side wall and rear wall surface temperatures, when tested in the test positions shown in Figure 1 of this report in accordance with Appendix B of AS/NZS2918:2018.





## APPENDIX 1:



### DEFAULT 6" FLUE KIT with mesh and solid decorative flue INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

#### For connecting into a standard installation:

The following drawing is meant as a guide only. Your wood heater **must** be installed by a qualified person whose work conforms with local council regulations, Australian/New Zealand standards (AS/NZS 2918:2001) & manufacturer's recommendations.

