

## **Service Manual**

Model Number: Compact Fireplace DF203A DF2006

**UL Part Number** 6901860100 to 800

**IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION**: Always read this manual first before attempting to service this fireplace. For your safety, always comply with all warnings and safety instructions contained in this manual to prevent personal injury or property damage.

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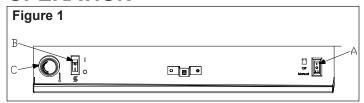
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Always use a qualified technician or service agency to repair this fireplace.

- ! NOTE: Procedures and techniques that are considered important enough to emphasize.
- **▲ CAUTION:** Procedures and techniques which, if not carefully followed, will result in damage to the equipment.
- **△ WARNING:** Procedures and techniques which, if not carefully followed, will expose the user to the risk of fire, serious injury, or death.

#### **OPERATION**



To access the controls, swing down the front cover panel located on the lower front of the fireplace. (Figure 1)

#### A. 3 Position Switch

The switch has two ON positions marked with and "Manual". The "Manual" position is for manual operation. In this position the built-in remote control is by-passed. The position is for operating the unit with the provided remote control.

When in position the unit is operated with the ON and OFF buttons of the remote control. When the switch is in the center position the unit is off.

## B. Heater ON/OFF Switch

The Heater ON/OFF Switch supplies power to the heater fan and the heater element. When the switch is in the ON position the heater operates if the thermostat calls for heat.

#### C. Heater Thermostat Control

To adjust the temperature to your individual requirements, turn the thermostat control clockwise all the way to turn on the heater. When the room reaches the desired temperature, turn the thermostat knob counter clockwise until you hear a click. Leave in this position to maintain the room temperature at this setting. For additional heat, turn clockwise until you hear the click again and the heater will turn on.

#### **Resetting The Temperature Cutoff Switch**

Should the heater overheat, an automatic cut out will turn the heater off and it will not come back on without being reset. It can be reset by switching the 3 Position Switch to OFF and waiting 5 minutes before switching the unit back on.

♠ CAUTION: If you need to continuously reset the heater, unplug the unit and call technical support at 1-888-346-7539.

! NOTE: The heater may emit a slight, harmless odor when first used. This odor is a normal condition caused by initial heating of internal heater parts and will not occur again.

#### **Remote Control**

The fireplace is supplied with a radio frequency remote control. This remote control has a range of approximately 50 feet (15.25 m), it does not have to be pointed at the fireplace and can pass through most obstacles (including walls). It is supplied with one of hundreds of independent frequencies to prevent interference with other units.

! NOTE: Before attempting any operation with the remote, pull the plastic insulator strip out from between the remote casing and battery cover (Figure 2).

To operate, push the ON button to turn fireplace on, push the OFF button to turn the fireplace off.

! NOTE: Ensure that the fireplace 3 Position switch is set to the remote control setting.

#### Remote Control Initialization/Reprogramming

If the remote control or receiver has been replaced, follow these steps to initialize the remote control and receiver:

- 1. Place the **3 Position Switch** (Figure 1A) in the OFF ("O") position.
- 2. Wait a minimum of five (5) seconds and then place the **3 Position** in the Remote Control position.
- **3. Within** 10 seconds of changing the switch position, press the ON button located on the remote control (Figure 2).

This will synchronize the remote control and the fireplace receiver.

! NOTE: You will have only 10 seconds to perform this last step. Failure to do so will result in these steps needing to be followed again.

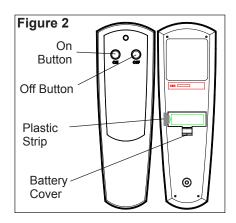
#### **Battery Replacement**

To replace the battery:

- 1. Slide battery cover open on the remote control (Figure 2).
- Install one (1) 12-Volt (A23) battery in the battery holder.
- 3. Close the battery cover



Battery must be recycled or disposed of properly. Check with your Local Authority or Retailer for recycling advice in your area.



#### **MAINTENANCE**

♠ WARNING: Disconnect power before attempting any maintenance or cleaning to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock or damage to persons.

#### **Light Bulb Replacement**

Allow at least 5 minutes for light bulbs to cool off before touching bulbs to avoid accidental burning of skin.

Light bulbs need to be replaced when you notice a dark section of the flame or when the clarity and detail of the log exterior disappears. There are two (2) bulbs under the log set which generate the flames and embers.

#### **Helpful Hints**

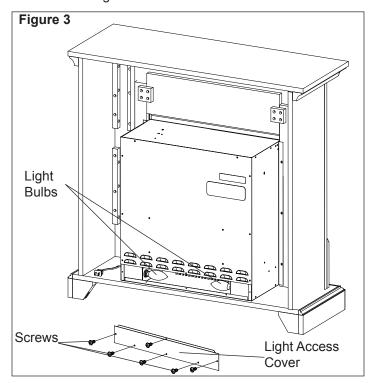
It is a good idea to replace all light bulbs at one time if they are close to the end of their rated life. Group replacement will reduce the number of times you need to open the unit to replace light bulbs.

#### **Bulb Requirements**

Quantity of 2 clear chandelier or candelabra bulbs with an J-12 (small) socket base, 60 watt rating. Example GE 60BC or Philips 60 CTC.

#### To Replace The Light Bulbs

- Unplug the unit from power outlet.
- 2. On the back of the Compact Fireplace remove the screws from the light access cover (Figure 11)
- 3. Remove the light access cover.
- 4. Reach into the opening, locate and examine the bulbs to determine which bulb(s) require replacement.
- 5. Unscrew the bulb(s) counter clockwise.
- 6. Insert new bulb(s).
- 7. Install the light access cover and install the screws.



#### **Glass Cleaning**

The glass is cleaned in the factory during the assembly operation. During shipment, installation, handling, etc., the front glass panel may collect dust particles; these can be removed by dusting lightly with a clean dry cloth.

To remove fingerprints or other marks, the front glass panel can be cleaned with a damp cloth. The front glass panel should be completely dried with a lint free cloth to prevent water spots. To prevent scratching, do not use abrasive cleaners or spray liquids on the clear door surface.

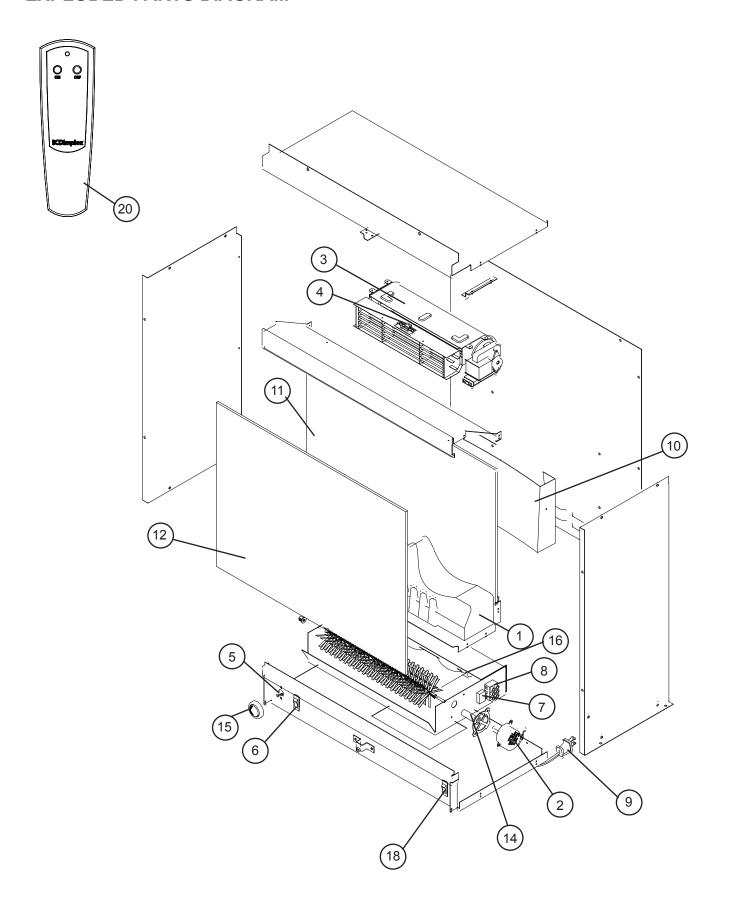
#### **Compact Fireplace Surface Cleaning**

Use warm water only to clean painted surfaces of the Compact Fireplace. Do not use abrasive cleaners.

#### Servicing

Except for light bulb replacement and cleaning described above, an authorized service representative should perform any other servicing.

## **EXPLODED PARTS DIAGRAM**

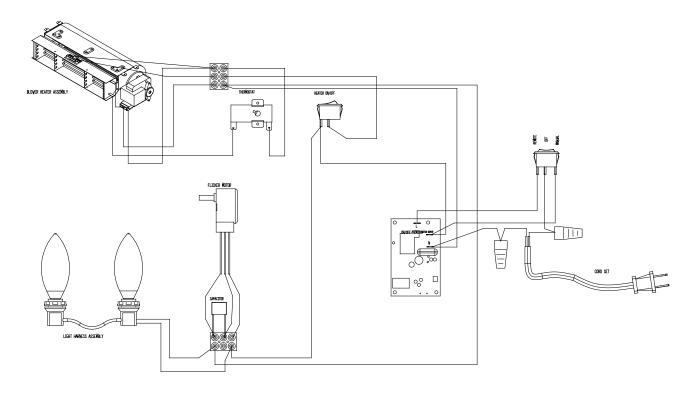


### **REPLACEMENT PARTS**

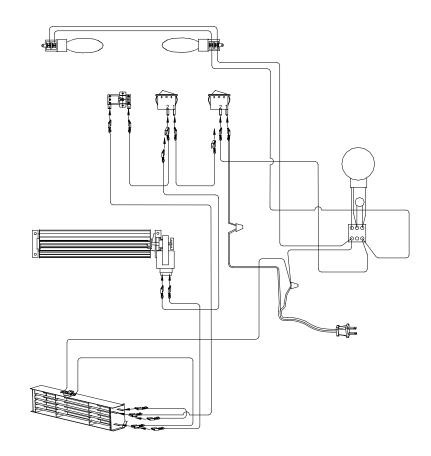
MODEL/CAT. #	20" Compact	20" Compact	20" Compact	20" Compact	DF2006	20" Compact	DF2006	DF203A
PART NO.	6901860100	6901860200	6901860300	6901860400	6901860500	6901860600 6901861100	6901860700	6901860800 6901861200
MOD LEVEL:	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE
PART				PART NUM	IBER			
1. Logset	0438270100RP 0478550100RP							
2. Flicker		2000220100RP						
Motor				200022010	JURP			
3. Heater				220049080	UUBB			
Assembly								
4. Cutout				230027010				
5. Thermostat	2300150100RP*							
6. Heat On/Off				280007020	NDD			
Switch	2800070200RP							
7. Capacitor	3200030100RP							
8. Terminal								
Block	4000070100RP							
9. Power Cord	4100090202RP							
10. Flicker Rod	5900340100RP							
11. Partially								
Reflective	5900410100RP	590056	0100RP		59	900620100RP		
Glass								
12. Front Glass	5900420100RP							
13. Bushing,	8500000400RP							
Snap In	03UUUUU4UURP							
14. Flicker	8500680100RP							
Connector	0300000100101							
15. Control	8800000600RP							
Knob	00000000011							
16. Lamp	40004000000		050045040000		050047			
holder	4200120800RP		2500170100RP		250017	0300RP		
Assembly								
17. Heyco	8500260003RP							
Strain Relief								
18. Main Power Switch	2800070200RP			2800071100RP				
19. Remote	(2 Position) (3 Position)							
Receiver	N/A 3000380200RP							
(Built-in)	IN/A SUUUSOUZUURP							
20. Remote								
Control	N/A			:	3000370500RI	>		
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## **WIRING DIAGRAM**

6901860600 - 6901860800 (Built In Remote Receiver)



6901860100 - 6901860500 (No Built In Remote Receiver)



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#### MAIN POWER SWITCH REPLACEMENT

**Tools Required:** Phillips Head Screwdriver Flat Head Screwdriver

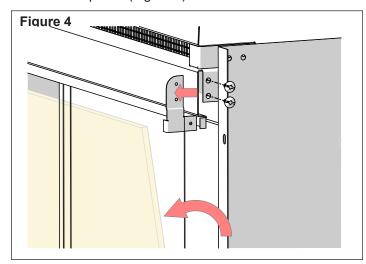
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**WARNING:** Disconnect power before attempting any maintenance to reduce the risk of electric shock or damage to persons.

- 1. Unplug the unit from power outlet.
- 2. Remove the firebox from the back of the mantel by removing the retaining screws which secure the firebox flanges to the mantel.
- Carefully remove the Compact Fireplace from the mantel, holding onto the front glass so that it does not move.

**WARNING:** The front glass is held to the Compact Fireplace with double sided tape and could come apart when separated from the mantel

 Remove the two screws on each top glass retaining bracket, gently pull glass forward, lift out and set aside in a safe place. (Figure 4)



- 5. Remove the log set screw and remove the log set.
- 6. Lay the Compact Fireplace on its back.
- 7. Remove the 4 bottom access panel screws and separate the bottom access panel from the unit. (Figure 5)
- 8. Locate the Main Power switch and disconnect the wiring connections noting their original locations.
- ! NOTE: A flat head screwdriver can be used to gently pry between the end of the connector and the switch to release the wires.
- 9. Depress the retainer clips on the rear of the switch and push the switch out of the bottom access panel.
- Properly orient the new switch and connect all of the wiring connections.
- 11. Reassemble in the reverse order as above.

## HEATER CONTROL SWITCH REPLACEMENT

**Tools Required:** Phillips Head Screwdriver Flat Head Screwdriver

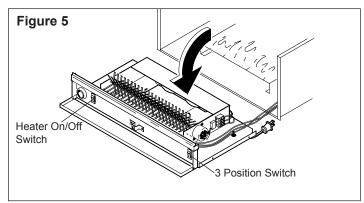
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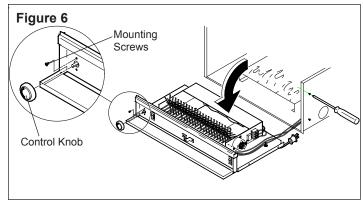
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- 1. Unplug the unit from power outlet.
- 2. Remove the firebox from the back of the mantel by removing the retaining screws which secure the firebox flange to the mantel.
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- 4. Remove the two screws on each top glass retaining bracket, gently pull glass forward, lift out and set aside in a safe place. (Figure 4)
- 5. Remove the log set screw and remove the log set.
- 6. Lay the Compact Fireplace on its back.
- 7. Remove the 4 bottom access panel screws and separate the bottom access panel from the unit. (Figure 5)
- 8. Locate the Heater control switch and disconnect the wiring connections noting their original locations.
- ! NOTE: A flat head screwdriver can be used to gently pry between the end of the connector and the switch to release the wires.
- 9. Depress the retainer clips on the rear of the switch and push the switch out of the bottom access panel.
- 10. Properly orient the new switch and connect all of the wiring connections.
- 11. Reassemble in the reverse order as above.





# THERMOSTAT CONTROL REPLACEMENT

Tools Required: Phillips Head Screwdriver

Flat Head Screwdriver

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- Remove the two screws on each top glass retaining bracket, gently pull glass forward, lift out and set aside in a safe place. (Figure 4)
- 5. Remove the log set screw and remove the log set.
- 6. Lay the Compact Fireplace on its back.
- 7. Remove the 4 bottom access panel screws and separate the bottom access panel from the unit. (Figure 5)
- Locate the thermostat control and pull off the thermostat control knob to expose the mounting screws. (Figure 6)
- 9. Remove the mounting screws.
- 10. Disconnect the wiring connections noting their original locations and remove the thermostat controller.
- 11. Properly orient the new thermostat controller and reconnect all wiring connections.
- 12. Reassemble in the reverse order as above.

# FLICKER MOTOR & FLICKER ROD REPLACEMENT

**Tools Required:** Phillips Head Screwdriver Flat Head Screwdriver

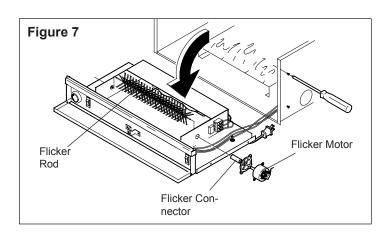
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- Remove the firebox from the back of the mantel by removing the retaining screws which secure the firebox flange to the mantel.
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- 4. Remove the two screws on each top glass retaining bracket, gently pull glass forward, lift out and set aside in a safe place. (Figure 4)
- 5. Remove the log set screw and remove the log set.
- 6. Lay the Compact Fireplace on its back.
- 7. Remove the 4 bottom access panel screws and separate the bottom access panel from the unit. (Figure 5)
- 8. Locate and disconnect the 3 motor assembly wires going to the terminal block. (Figure 7)
- 9. Remove the 2 motor mounting screws.
- 10. Separate the motor from the flicker connector and remove.
- 11. Slide the flicker rod out of the snap-in bushing and remove.
- 12. Reassemble in the reverse order as above.



#### HEATER ASSEMBLY REPLACEMENT

**Tools Required:** Phillips Head Screwdriver Flat Head Screwdriver

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- 4. Remove the two screws on each top glass retaining bracket, gently pull glass forward, lift out and set aside in a safe place. (Figure 4)
- 5. Remove the 6 screws that secure the top panel to the firebox and lift off the top panel.
- 6. Disconnect heater assembly wires, noting their original locations.
- ! NOTE: A flat head screwdriver can be used to gently pry between the end of the connector and the heater to release the wires.
- 7. Remove the 4 screws that secure the top panel to the heater assembly
- Remove the 2 hanging brackets and the high temperature cutout and install them on the new heater assembly. (Figure 8)
- 9. Properly orient the new heater assembly and connect all of the wiring.

**WARNING:** Ensure wires do not come in contact with moving parts by securing wires in wiring tie wraps.

- ! NOTE: When re-installing the bottom heater pan, ensure that the heater assembly wires are clear of the blower wheel. Additional wiring tie wraps may be required.
- 10. Reassemble in the reverse order as above.

### POWER CORD REPLACEMENT

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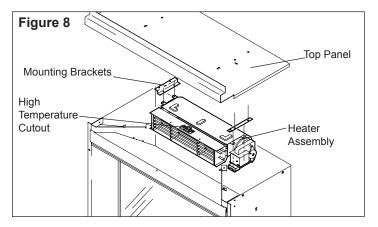
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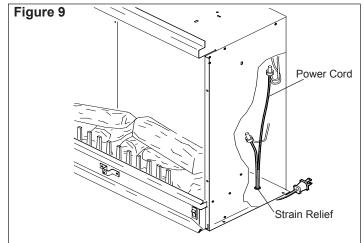
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- 2. Remove the firebox from the back of the mantel by removing the retaining screws which secure the firebox

- flanges to the mantel.
- 3. Carefully remove the Compact Fireplace from the mantel, holding onto the front glass so that it does not move.

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- 4. Remove the two screws on each top glass retaining bracket, gently pull glass forward, lift out and set aside in a safe place. (Figure 4)
- 5. Remove the log set screw and remove the log set.
- 6. Lay the Compact Fireplace on its back.
- Remove the 4 bottom access panel screws and separate the bottom access panel from the unit. (Figure 5)
- 8. Locate and disconnect the power cord wiring connections noting their original locations. (Figure 9)
- 9. With needle nose pliers, grasp the power cord strain relief grommet from inside the back of the bottom panel and push while twisting to remove.
- 10. Install the new power cord.
- 11. Reassemble in the reverse order as above.





# PARTIALLY REFLECTIVE GLASS REPLACEMENT

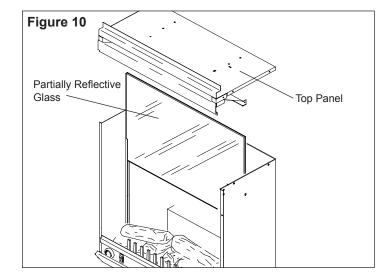
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- 2. Remove the firebox from the back of the mantel by removing the retaining screws which secure the firebox flange to the mantel.
- 3. Carefully remove the Compact Fireplace from the mantel, holding onto the front glass so that it does not move.

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- Remove the two screws on each top glass retaining bracket, gently pull glass forward, lift out and set aside in a safe place. (Figure 4)
- Remove the screws that secure the top panel and the heater support panel to the firebox and lift off the top panel.
- 6. Support the top panel so that the heater wires are not strained and remove the heater support panel and set aside.
- 7. Replace old partially reflective glass with new partially



reflective glass.

8. Reassemble in the reverse order as above.

#### REMOTE RECEIVER REPLACEMENT

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- Remove the two screws on each top glass retaining bracket, gently pull glass forward, lift out and set aside in a safe place. (Figure 4)
- 5. Lay the Compact Fireplace on its back.
- 6. Remove the 4 bottom access panel screws and separate the bottom access panel from the unit. (Figure 5)
- 7. Locate the remote control receiver mounted on the side panel.
- 8. Release the receiver from the side panel by using needle nose pliers to depress the tab on the mounting standoffs and gently lift the receiver off.
- Relocate the wires from the old receiver to the new receiver.
- **! NOTE:** A flat head screwdriver can be used to gently pry between the end of the connector and the receiver to release the wires.
- 10. Re-assemble the compact fireplace in reverse order.

# LOWER LIGHT HARNESS REPLACEMENT

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- 4. Remove the two screws on each top glass retaining bracket, gently pull glass forward, lift out and set aside in a safe place. (Figure 4)
- 5. Lay the Compact Fireplace on its back.
- 6. Remove the 4 bottom access panel screws and separate the bottom access panel from the unit. (Figure 5)
- 7. On the bottom of this bottom access panel, remove the screws (9) which secure the socket mounting panel to the bottom panel of the firebox.
- 8. Remove the light bulbs from the sockets by turning each one counter clockwise until they are free.
- Remove the sockets from their mounting panel and disconnect the socket wires attached to the terminal block near the flicker motor. Be sure to note their original location in the terminal block.
- ! NOTE: Dependent on the age of the unit the sockets may be secured with either a screw ring or a snap in socket.
- 10. Attach the replacement sockets into the each socket opening on the housing panel/bracket.
- 11. Re-assemble the compact fireplace in reverse order.

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## TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

PROBLEM	CAUSE	SOLUTION		
General				
Circuit breaker trips or fuse	Short in unit wiring.	Trace wiring in unit.		
blows when unit is turned on	Improper circuit current rating	Additional appliances may exceed the current rating of the circuit breaker or fuse. Plug unit into another outlet or install unit on a dedicated 15 amp circuit.		
Unit turns on or off by itself	Remote control has a similar frequency to other remotes in the area.	Replace Remote Control		
	Radio frequency disturbance from outside sources.	Replace Remote Control and Receiver, and reinitialize.		
	Defective Remote Control Receiver	Replace Remote Control Receiver		
Lights dim in room while the unit is on	Unit is drawing close to circuit current rating	Move the unit to another outlet or install unit on a dedicated 15 amp circuit		
Power cord gets warm	Normal Operation	The power cord may get slightly warm to the touch when the heater is on		
	Defective power cord	Replace power cord if cord gets hot to the touch.		
Appearance				
Fireplace does not turn on Manu-	Improper operation	Refer to Operation Section		
ally	No incoming voltage from the electrical wall socket	Check Fuse/Breaker Panel		
	Loose wiring	Check wiring connections		
	Defective On/Off or 3 Position Switch (depending on model)	Replace On/Off or 3 Position switch		
	Defective Remote Control Receiver	Replace Remote Control Receiver		
Fireplace does not turn on with	Improper operation	Refer to Operation Section		
the Remote Control	Remote control not initialized to fireplace	Initialize the remote control		
	Defective remote control	Install new battery into the remote control Reinitalize remote if necessary		
		Replace Remote Control and Remote Control Receiver, reinitialize		
Flame Frozen	Loose wiring	Check wiring connections		
	Defective Flicker Motor	Replace Flicker Motor		
Flame not bright or flame not	Burnt out light bulbs	Replace light bulbs/ LED Strip		
visible	Loose wiring	Check wiring connections		
	Defective light harness	Replace light harness		
Log set dim, not glowing	Burnt out light bulbs	Replace light bulbs		
Flame Shudder	Defective Flicker Motor	Replace Flicker Motor		
Light leaking around the log set	Log set not positioned properly	Check log set for proper fit		

PROBLEM	CAUSE	SOLUTION		
Heater				
Heater is not turning off	Improper operation	Refer to Operation Section		
-	Defective Heater On/Off Switch	Replace Heater On/Off Switch		
	Defective Thermostat	Replace Thermostat		
Heater is not turning on, but flame effect is still functioning	Improper operation	Refer to Operation Section		
	Loose wiring	Trace wiring in unit		
	Defective Heater Assembly	Replace Heater Assembly		
	Defective Heater On/Off Switch	Replace Heater On/Off Switch		
Heater is turning off after a couple of minutes of operation	Build up of dirt/dust in Heater Assembly	Ensure that exterior intake louvers and firebox cavity are free of dirt/dust.		
	Defective Heater Assembly	Replace Heater Assembly		
Heater emits an odor	Normal Operation	Normal operation is when the heater emits an odor for a brief period after the heater is initially turned on. The heater is burning off any dust accumulated during manufacturing or operation.		
	Defective Heater Assembly	Replace Heater Assembly		
Heater fan turns on but heater	Improper operation	Refer to Operation Section		
lacks heat	Loose wiring	Trace wiring in unit		
	Defective thermostat	Replace thermostat		
	Defective heater assembly	Replace heater assembly		
Heating element is glowing red	Normal Operation	Small glowing sections of the element are considered normal.		
	Defective heater assembly	If larger glowing sections are causing the heater to trip the thermal cutout, unplug unit, discontinue use and replace heater assembly.		
Heater fan runs continuously	Loose wiring	Trace wiring in unit		
	Defective Heater On/Off Switch	Replace Heater On/Off Switch		
	Defective Heater Assembly	Replace Heater Assembly		
	Defective Thermostat	Replace Thermostat		
Noise				
Excessive noise with the heater on	Dirty Heater Assembly	Ensure that exterior intake louvers and firebox cavity are free of dirt/dust.		
	Defective Heater Assembly	Replace Heater Assembly		
Grinding or excessive noise with the heater off	Flicker rod hitting or rubbing against internal components	Ensure rod is straight and mounted properly in the bracket, spinning freely away from other components. Replace if necessary.		
	Defective Flicker Motor	Replace Flicker Motor		