

Clearview Stoves and “Ecodesign”. Information Sheet

Clearview Stoves are renowned for their astonishing performance, reliability and crystal clear view of the fire. There are hundreds of thousands of Clearview’s heating castles, caravans and cottages. Fuel will vary, operation will vary, chimneys and atmospheric conditions vary however we can be rather confident a Clearview will exceed expectation. Clearview’s do exactly what they claim and that is why Clearview are the market leaders.

Clearview Stoves set the standard and pioneered today’s wood stove industry. Clearview Stoves have always passed all tests without modification. Clearview were the first company to be fully tested to burn wood in U.K. smoke control areas. The changes required for “eco design” will undoubtedly result in a less controllable and responsive stove.

The joys of a Clearview Stove is its simplicity and reliability whatever the conditions. Clearview’s benefits are more heat, cleaner combustion, cleaner flues, mesmerizing flames and startling control of the fire, these are benefits with no negatives.

The variety of settings, flue heights, flue diameters, insulation standards, climatic conditions and installation methods provide considerable variation in chimney performance. Clearview Stoves are designed to perform well in varying conditions. “Ecodesign” does not offer the flexibility required to enable stoves to perform to the standard Clearview have provided for some thirty years.

Why not make the existing Clearview stoves product range “ecodesign?”

Some control will be lost, rapid lighting speeds turn down ratio and generally Clearview’s legendary lively performance will be more subdued to achieve a more, one size fits all standard. For many homes with average flues, performance will become sluggish and more care will be required when loading, smoke spillage to the room and increased levels of dust seem to be a big problem. Clearview stoves have been fitted to replace many almost new so called “ecodesign” stoves; the Clearview’s have made a dramatic improvement on all aspects of performance and efficiency.

So called “ecodesign” stoves will require increased stove maintenance, additional consumables will be required. Chimney sweeps will need additional technical knowledge and familiarity with the flue restrictions in any stoves they service.

What benefits would an “ecodesign” Clearview stove provide?

Perhaps 5% of Clearview owners could theoretically achieve benefit however in the majority of situations a standard Clearview stove would be preferred.

The big variables affecting a Clearview stoves performance are Installation, Operation and Fuel; these three variables make a very substantial difference.

Clearview Stoves can advise on installation, operation and wood fuel, our knowledge has been gained, from many thousands of stove installations over some thirty years of manufacturing here in Shropshire.