

Fuels Safety Program

DIRECTOR'S SAFETY ORDER

Ref. No.:

Rev. No.:

FS-139-08

Date: September 23, 2008 Date:

IN THE MATTER OF: THE TECHNICAL STANDARDS AND SAFETY ACT, 2000, S.O. 2000, c. 16

- and -

ONTARIO REGULATION 212/01 made under the Technical Standards and Safety Act, 2000 (Gaseous Fuel)

Subject:

Wolf Steel Ltd.- Propane-Fired Direct Vent Fireplace Inserts

Models: GDI-44 & CDI-44 Series

Sent to:

Wolf Steel Ltd.

Intertek – ETL Semko TSSA Propane Council

TSSA Propane Risk Reduction Group

Posted on TSSA's Web-Site

Ontario Propane Association (OPA)

Pursuant to section 14 of the *Technical Standards and Safety Act, 2000*, the Director requires the following:

- 1. The following Wolf Steel Ltd.. products are not approved for use in Ontario and shall not be sold, leased, rented, installed or used in Ontario:
 - (a) Propane-Fired Direct Vent Fireplace Inserts Model GDI-44 Series, and
 - (b) Propane-Fired Direct Vent Fireplace Inserts Model CDI-44 Series
- 2. This Safety Order is effective immediately.

Dated at Toronto this 23rd day of September, 2008.

Additional Information:

Refer to attachment #1 for important notice regarding the above fireplaces.

For more information please contact 1-877-682-8772.

ORDERED BY:

John R Marshall

Director, Fuel Oil and Gaseous Fuel Regulation Technical Standards and Safety Act, 2000

Attachment #1 – Director's Order FS-139-08



September 23, 2008

FUELS SAFETY PROGRAM TECHNICAL STANDARDS & SAFETY AUTHORITY

14 Floor, Centre Tower 3300 Bloor Street West Toronto, Ontario Canada M8X 2X4

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Re: Propane-Fired Direct Vent Fireplace Inserts Manufactured by Wolf Steel Ltd. (Napoleon Fireplace); Models GDI-44 and CDI-44 Series.

Attention Owner/User:

The Technical Standards and Safety Authority ("TSSA") is an Administrative Authority empowered under the *Safety and Consumer Statutes Administration Act*, 1996 to administer and enforce the *Technical Standards and Safety Act*, 2000 (the "Act") and its regulations. The Fuels Safety Program of the TSSA regulates the storage, transmission and utilization of fuels (e.g. propane, natural gas and fuel oil) and includes the installation and maintenance of associated equipment. The Act and Appropriate Regulations can be found on our web site at www.tssa.org.

Models GDI-44 and CDI-44 Series bear a certification mark by Intertek Testing Services (Warnock Hersey). On September 11, 2008 the certification for these models was withdrawn. This order is only applicable for models operated with Propane Gas.

The concern is the failure of the relief dampers ability to absorb the effects of a delayed ignition. The failure of the relief dampers may result in the fireplace glass breaking which may cause personal injury or the top frame of the fireplace where the glass door assembly is in contact may distort causing products of combustion including carbon monoxide (CO) to enter the home.

CO is a colourless gas produced when fuels such as natural gas, propane and oil burn incompletely. CO itself is odourless and tasteless but may be accompanied by an abnormal odour of incomplete fuel combustion. Symptoms of CO poisoning include nausea and vomiting, dizziness, burning eyes, difficulty breathing, confusion and loss of consciousness.

Effective September 23, 2008:
1. Director's Safety Order, Reference No. FS-139-08, dated September 23, 2008 prohibits the sale, leasing, renting, installation <u>or used</u> of Propane Fired Models: GDI-44 and CDI-44 Series manufactured by Wolf Steel Ltd (Napoleon Fireplace).
2. Any affected fireplaces currently in use shall have the fuel supply terminated.
If you require further clarification or have questions, please contact your fuel supplier, or TSSA at 1-877-682-8772.