



# **Lighting Pilot Lights**

CAUTION: It is strongly recommended that a trained professional relight your pilot lights or perform any service. If you decide to light the pilots yourself, carefully follow all the manufacturer's instructions and warnings in this booklet as well as those contained in your appliance manuals.

#### **AVOID UNNECESSARY RISKS**

It is especially important to have a propane dealer relight the pilots after a gas-out situation. Lighting pilots is an extremely dangerous task for someone who is not trained to work with propane systems. National fire statistics show that many propane flash fires are associated with attempts to either relight or repair gas appliances.

Do not decide to light pilots without considering the dangerous risks that you would be assuming without having received the appropriate training.

In the event you choose not to have a qualified person relight pilots, review the following "DO's AND DO NOT's" before proceeding.

**CAUTION:** You may not be able to smell propane even though there is a leak. (See Detecting A Propane Leak.)

### DO'S AND DO NOT'S

## These Are The DO's...

- Thoroughly ventilate basements or closed-up houses before lighting pilots or working on propane appliances. Simply opening doors and windows for a few minutes may not be sufficient. There must be a positive cross ventilation air flow.
- Remain especially alert for the odor of propane when you are working near or with a propane appliance. Remember to sniff at floor level prior to and while lighting pilots, performing service, or making any adjustments.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions for lighting pilots.

### These Are The DO NOT's...

- Do NOT smoke or have any source of ignition (such as flames or spark producing materials) in the area.
- Do NOT have extra or unnecessary people (particularly children) in an area when lighting a pilot or checking, repairing or adjusting any sort of propane appliance, equipment, piping, cylinder, or tank.
- Do NOT light pilot lights, perform service, or make adjustments in an area where other odors make it difficult for you to detect the smell of a propane leak, such as in a musty basement or closed up house.
- Do NOT light the appliances or their pilots as long as a musty or damp smell persists.
- Do NOT force or use tools on the pilot light or its control. If a knob or button on a gas control valve does not operate easily by hand, then it may be damaged and may need to be replaced immediately. Never oil a sticky knob or button on a gas control. The oil may cause the control valve mechanism to stick and malfunction.

DON'T RISK IT!! CALL NORTH STAR ENERGY.

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