

APPENDIX A



Armidale Dumaresq Council

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ARMIDALE NSW 2350

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Replacement of Solid Fuel Heaters and Unflued Gas Heaters Rebate

Council is offering a rebate for those wishing to replace their solid fuel heaters or unflued gas heaters with an approved alternative.

Rebates:

- (i). For unflued gas heater replacements, \$500 for Health Care Card and Pensioner Card holders only;
- (ii). For wood heater and open fireplace replacements, \$1,000.

Criteria

In order to apply and be successful in gaining a rebate from Council for replacing your unflued gas heater, wood heater or open fireplace, there are a number of criteria that you must satisfy:

1. The premises must be in a residential or commercial zone of Armidale.
2. You must be the owner of the premises or have a letter of consent from the owner.
3. You must have an existing wood heater, open fireplace or unflued gas heater in place.
4. Replace the heater or fireplace with one of the following approved forms of heating:
 - i. Ducted Gas Central Heating
 - ii. Fixed Electric Heating with thermostatic controls
 - iii. Night Storage Heater
 - iv. Fixed Flue Gas Heater
 - v. Reverse Cycle Air Conditioner (Five Star Rating or above) with Noise Assessment.
 - vi. Solar (Passive or Active)
 - vii. Pellet Fire.

Procedure:

Council has designed a five step procedure which is swift and effective to allow you to make the changes with minimum effort.

STEP 1: Please contact Council Customer Services and an officer will make an appointment to meet with you and inspect the existing solid fuel heater (in place).

STEP 2: A Council Officer will meet you at this address and fill out the first part of the application form (see Wood Heater Replacement Rebate Application form).

STEP 3: You must remove the heater and deliver to Armidale Dumaresq Council's recycling and landfill facility whereupon you must get the Application Form officially stamped to show that the heater has been handed over.

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STEP 4: Your licensed installer who installs the new heating system must sign the Application Form.

STEP 5: Return the Application Form with details of preferred payment (cheque or direct transfer) to:

Armidale Dumaresq Council, 135 Rusden Street, Armidale NSW 2350 or;
fax to (02) 6772 9275 or;
scan and email to council@armidale.nsw.gov.au

Your payment should be received within 30 days. Enquiries should be directed to Customer Services (02) 6770 3600.

Valid until 30th June 2011 or until funding runs out.

Privacy and Personal Information Protection Notice (S.10 PPIPAAct 1998)
Your information will be stored and used by Armidale Dumaresq Council, 135 Rusden St, Armidale 2350
Purpose of Collection: For recording and checking rebate criteria have been met and for research
Intended Recipients of your information: Environmental Health Officers
You have the right to access and amend your personal information by contacting the Public Officer at the address above.
Your personal information is required: By law / To qualify for benefits / or Is Voluntary
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Council is offering cash back rebates to install curtains/blinds in the main living area of your home.

Rebate:

Rebates of up to \$300 per household are available.

Criteria:

In order to apply and be successful in gaining a rebate from Council, there are a number of criteria that you must satisfy:

1. You must have undertaken a Commonwealth Government's **Home Sustainability Assessment Audit** and installing curtains/blinds in the main living area is one of the key recommendations. For more information go to <http://www.climatechange.gov.au/government/programs-and-rebates/green-loans/homes.aspx> or call 1800 895 076.
2. The premises must be in a residential or commercial zone of Armidale.
3. You must be the owner of the premises or have a letter of consent from the owner.
4. You must provide personal details to the retailer being: Name, Address, Owner/Tenant, identification (e.g. drivers license) and Pension/Health Card Number (if required).
5. Only one curtain/blind rebate will be provided to an owner or tenant of the premises.

Procedure:

Come in to the council's Customer Service Counter and present your Commonwealth Government Home Sustainability Assessment Audit Report together with your original receipt for the purchase of insulating curtains or blinds. Council will keep the original receipt and supply you with a copy for your records.

If you have any questions regarding your eligibility please contact council.

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SmartBurn Rebate

Council is offering cash back rebates of \$20 for residents and \$45 for holders of Pension or Health Care Cards for those wishing to purchase SmartBurn devices for their solid fuel heaters.

Criteria:

In order to apply and be successful in gaining a rebate from Council, there are a number of criteria that you must satisfy:

1. The premises must be in a residential or commercial zone of Armidale.
2. You must be the owner of the premises or have proof of residency at that premises (lease agreement).
3. You must have an existing solid fuel heater in place.
4. You must provide personal details to the retailer being: Name, Address, Owner/Tenant, identification (e.g. drivers license) and Pension/Health Card Number (if required).
5. Only one SmartBurn device rebate will be provide per year to the owner or tenant of the premises.

Procedure

You must purchase your SmartBurn from one of the following participating retailers in Armidale and you will receive a cash back rebate at the point of sale.

Barbeques Galore 157 Rusden Street Armidale	Richardson's Hardware Cnr Bundarra Rd & Miller St Armidale	Bunnings Warehouse Cnr Barney & Canambe Sts Armidale
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Please note: solid fuel heaters with large fireboxes may require two SmartBurn devices for effective results.

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MEDIA RELEASE

RELEASE DATE: August 2, 2010

Council approves \$30,000 in rebates

Armidale Dumaresq Council voted at its July General Meeting to approve \$30,000 in rebates to residents in its continuing effort to address the issue of woodsmoke and energy conservation across the broader community.

Armidale Dumaresq Deputy Mayor and Chair of the Council's Domestic Energy Committee, Cr Jim Maher, said the rebates targeted a number of strategies that had been shown to reduce woodsmoke, improve air quality and increase energy conservation.

"There are a number of rebates available to residents including the continuing of cash back for SmartBurn devices purchased at point of sale, generous rebates for woodheater replacement with approved alternatives including solar heating and, for the first time, subsidies for heat saving curtains and blinds," Cr Maher said.

The Council has added a further category to its heater replacement scheme, specifically being payment to those wishing to replace their unflued gas heaters with any of the approved alternative heating types.

"This is a proactive move in the wake of the alarm caused by the release of the Woolcock Report indicating the dangers to health from the uses of unflued gas heaters," Cr Maher said.

"In terms of the introduction for subsidies for curtains and blinds, window coverings have been proven to be one of the most important layers for keeping your home warm in winter and cool in summer. Windows that are insufficiently covered can add 10 to 25 per cent to heating costs and up to 75 per cent to summer air-conditioning bills.

"Under the endorsed recommendation, home owners who install curtains or blinds in the main living area as a result of a the free home energy audit offered under the Federal Government's Green Loan scheme, will be entitled to apply for up to \$300 per home in subsidy for curtains or insulating blinds."

The \$30,000 funding was a recommendation of the Council's Domestic Energy Committee. Details can be found on Council's web site at www.armidale.nsw.gov.au, by calling Council's Customer Services on 6770 3600.

MEDIA: For further information contact Cr Jim Maher on 0408 413 044.

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APPENDIX B

7 Reasons to use a SmartBurn in your Wood Fire

More Heat and Less Smoke from your Wood Fire



1. Produces up to 17% MORE HEAT from your Fire

- Certified Laboratory Testing has shown that up to 17% more heat is generated when using SmartBurn in your wood fire.
- The SmartBurn enables the flammable black soot and sap to be burned within the fire rather than it going up the chimney as smoke and wasted fuel.
- The fire wood will burn for longer, keeping your home warmer throughout the night.
- The money saved from using less wood will offset the cost of the SmartBurn unit.
- Gets more Value from your wood saving you time and money.

2. Dramatically REDUCES SMOKE emissions by up to 50%

- Each SmartBurn unit prevents about 15kg of emissions.
- A pollution reduction device which provides cleaner air in your community.
- Less soot and sap on the roof therefore cleaner water entering rainwater tanks.



More Heat from your fire

3. CLEANS the chimney while the fire burns

- SmartBurn when heated releases a vapour that mixes with the sap and soot within the fire and improves the combustion of wood therefore reducing creosote buildup within the chimney.
- Reduces the risk of a chimney or flue fire therefore keeping your family safe.
- Fire lights easier and 'draws' better reducing smoke into the room.



Reduce smoke emissions

4. CLEANS the heater glass window

- A clean glass door results in more radiant heat.
- There will be less ash, less charcoal and less dust in the firebox.



Cleans your chimney

5. EFFECTIVE for up to 3 months of continuous use

- Simple to use, no effort required.

6. Contains NATURAL Non Toxic Ingredients

- SmartBurn has been tested by a NATA Certified Independent Laboratory.
- SmartBurn cleans the air without harming your family.

7. AWARD winning Australian Invention

- National winner of the best Eco-friendly product award and for Innovation and Environmental Sustainability.
- SmartBurn is a leader in the field of Environmental Sustainability and is committed to the responsible management of a correctly operated appliance and the education of using correctly seasoned fire-wood.
- Proudly Australian invented, manufactured and family owned.



Less risk of chimney fire



SmartBurn has gained 67 Australian Awards as seen on TV, ABC,
The New Inventors & Better Homes & Gardens

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What is SmartBurn?

More HEAT and less SMOKE from your Wood fire

SmartBurn is a revolutionary product – the only one of its kind in the world .It comprises of a steel tubular unit containing a solid mixture of natural ingredients. When these ingredients are heated they melt and slowly release a small amount of vapour. This vapour causes soot and sap deposits to be burned “within” the fire before they escape up the chimney as “wasted fuel” into the atmosphere.

This improved combustion **reduces wood smoke emissions by up to 50%** and makes the fire up to **17% hotter**. It also keeps the heater glass window clean and removes existing soot and “flammable” sap residues in the chimney flue – reducing the risk of a chimney fire.

There has been now **80,600** SmartBurn’s in the marketplace since 2005 (total to 31 July 2010). This equates to preventing **1193** tonnes of smoke emissions. (80,600 x 0.0148 = tonnes prevented)

There are currently 727 Retail Stores in Australia promoting SmartBurn for its merits.



Figure 2. SmartBurn- Pollution Reduction Device



Figure 3. Flue without SmartBurn



Figure 4. Flue with SmartBurn