

Burn right tonight.

Using your wood heater correctly will improve Canberra's air quality, save you money, and keep your home warm this winter.



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Smoke from domestic wood heaters is the largest source of air pollution in Canberra.

This is an environmental issue and is linked to a number of serious health conditions.

Here's how you can help protect Canberra's air quality when using your wood heater:

- Buy wood from an authorised firewood merchant and store it in a well ventilated covered space.
- Only use dry, well seasoned, untreated wood.
- Always start your fire with the air control fully open and use plenty of kindling to make a hot fire quickly.
- Place logs in the firebox with enough space between them to allow good air flow.
- Use smaller logs when reloading and allow the fire to burn on high for 20–25 minutes.
- Don't overfill the heater.
- Don't let your fire smoulder overnight – keep the air control open enough to maintain a flame (a fire set on low causes excessive smoke pollution).

You can also receive a rebate for replacing your wood heater with an efficient electric heater.

For more on the wood heater replacement program visit **actsmart.act.gov.au**



For more tips on reducing smoke pollution and saving money visit **accesscanberra.act.gov.au**