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# Fault Finder

for Warm Air Heating



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# GENERAL VENTILATION INFORMATION

If having undersized grilles was not a major crisis as it was deemed to be NCS (not to current standards). However, since June 2008 the classification for undersized existing ventilation had changed from NCS to AR (at risk).

From the 1st June 2008, all installations providing less than 90% of the ventilation requirements will be regarded as AR.

*90% to 100% of the requirement is accepted under standards.*

*Where a defect(s) is identified with the ventilation and it is not possible to rectify it, reference should be made to the requirements of the current Gas Industry Unsafe Situations Procedure.*

**For Balanced Compartments and Fan Assisted Provision of Combustion Air see Publication No. ZZ1348 A guide to Size & Free Areas for Pressed Steel Grilles, Aluminium Grilles and Registers**

**Models**

*J15-22 Mk 1, 2 & 3*

*J25-32 Mk 1, 2 & 3*

*JA33-43*

*J54-64*

*JT19-25*

*JTRS22-25*

*JWD38-50*

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## MAIN BURNER NOT OPERATING

Check Pilot Burner is lit, Time Control is ON, Thermista-stat turned UP

Check mains electrical supply

Check 1.5A fuse on Electronic Panel

Check 24V at Multifunctional Control

### No 24V

Check for 24V across yellow and black leads at Electronic Panel

### 24V Present

Multifunctional Control faulty

### No 24V

Check all connections at Electronic Panel are tightened for securely  
Replace Electronic Panel

### 24V Present

Check limit switch and connections  
Check Time Control and connections

## FAN ON BUT MAIN BURNER CYCLES BEFORE REQUIRED TEMPERATURE IS REACHED

Bridge out Thermista-stat

### Burner continues to cycle

Check Limit Switch is operating

### Burner remains on

Thermista-stat faulty

### Limit Switch operating

Check temperature rise, if less than 60 °C, replace Limit Switch

### Limit Switch not open circuit

Replace Electronic Panel

Check return air path and air filter for restriction

Check burner bar pressure is not excessive

### Fan speed too low

Check balancing knob on Electronic Panel is not set too low

Check connections, especially at 6-way fan plug

Put Fan Override Switch on Electronic Panel to continuous position

### Fan speeds up

Replace Electronic Panel  
Replace Airflow Sensor

### Fan remains at slow speed

Replace Electronic Panel

## MAINS BURNER NOT CYCLING (ROOM TEMPERATURE TOO HIGH)

Disconnect Thermosta-stat

**Burner goes out**  
Replace Thermosta-stat

**Burner remains on**  
Disconnect yellow wire at  
Multifunctional Control

**Burner goes out**  
Replace Electrical  
Panel

**Burner remains lit**  
Replace  
Multifunctional  
Control

## MAIN FAN CONTINUES TO RUN OR CYCLE AFTER HEATING IS TURNED OFF

Check heater type. If it is a ventilation model fan will run continuously at low speed

Check that the Fan Override Switch on the Electrical Panel is set to **AUTO**

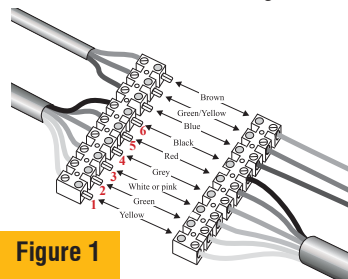
Disconnect Airflow Sensor

**Fan stops**  
Check the Pilot Flame is not too large  
Replace Airflow Sensor

**Fan continues to run**  
Remove 6-way plug from the Electronic Panel  
(Figure 2) or remove the 6 wires 1 to 6 (figure 1)

**Fan stops**  
Replace Electronic  
Panel

**Fan continues to run**  
Replace Fan Speed  
Regulator



**Figure 1**

**PLEASE NOTE:** The unit will have either a 6 way and a 3 way plug (see figure 2) or it will have a 9 way terminal strip (see figure 1) going to the fan speed regulator.

## MAIN BURNER ON FOR BRIEF PERIOD ONLY

Check Thermista-stat control knob is on maximum setting

Bridge out Thermista-stat socket or connection at heater

**Burner lights and remains on**

Reconnect Thermista-stat at heater

**Burner not remaining on**

Replace Electronic Panel

Check polarity by interchanging the external Thermista-stat leads

Bridge out Thermista-stat leads at Thermista-stat

**Burner remains on**

Thermista-stat faulty

**Burner not remaining on**

Open circuit in external wiring to Thermista-stat

## MAIN BURNER ON BUT FAN NOT RUNNING

Set Fan Override switch on control panel to *continuous position*

**Fan operates**

Check connections at the Electrical Panel

Check Airflow Sensor & connections

Replace Electronic Panel

**Fan not operating**

Check fan connections, especially at 6 and 3 way plug

Check voltage at fan plug

**No voltage**

Remove 6-way plug from electronic panel, check for +30V dc across contacts as shown in figure 2 **OR** terminal 3 to 6 on figure 1

**Voltage present**

Fan Motor fault

**No voltage**

Replace Electronic Panel

**Voltage present**

Replace Fan Speed Regulator

### SOCKET ON ELECTRONIC PANEL

Figure 2



30V dc

**Models**

**J70-90**

**J55-65**

**JB40-50**

**JU40-50**

**JB16-20**

**JB25-30**

**Q44**

**HI-SPEC J30**

**HI-SPEC J50**

**HI-SPEC J65**

**HI-SPEC J90**

**HI-SPEC JU55**

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Check Pilot Burner is lit, Time Control is ON, Thermista-stat turned UP

Check mains electrical supply

Check 1.5A fuse on Electronic Panel

Check 24V at Multifunctional Control

**No 24V Detected**

Bridge out Thermista-stat terminal at heater

**24V Present**

Multifunctional Control faulty

**Burner Remains OFF**

Check for 18V at D6

**Burner lights**

Check polarity by interchanging external Thermista-stat leads

Bridge out Thermista-stat leads at Thermista-stat

**Burner remains OFF**

Wiring defect between heater and thermista-stat

**Burner lights**

Thermista-stat faulty

**No 18V Detected**

Check 230V from terminal C8

**18V Present**

Check Limit Switch connections and operation

**No 230V Detected**

Check mains supply and operation of Time Control

**230V Present**

Check for 24V at C10

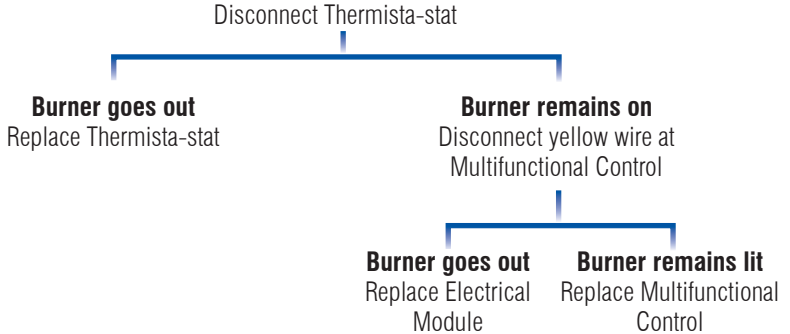
**24V Detected at C10**

Replace Electronic Module

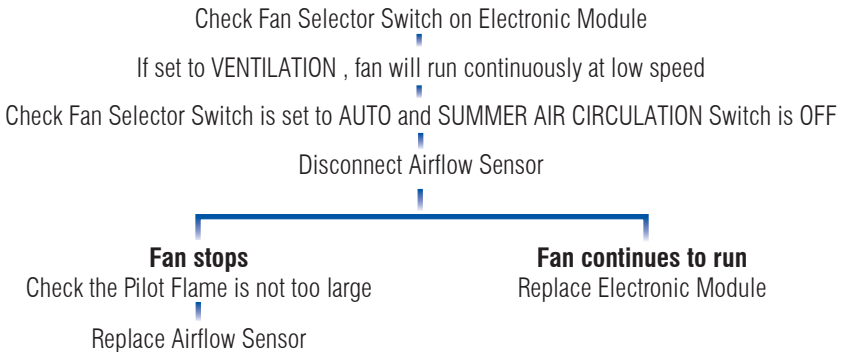
**No 24V Detected**

Replace Transformer

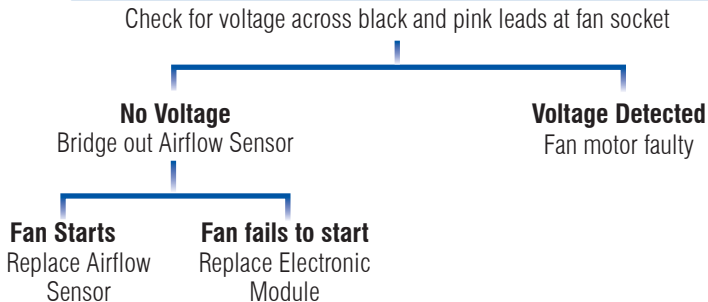
## MAINS BURNER NOT CYCLING (ROOM TEMPERATURE TOO HIGH)



## MAIN FAN CONTINUES TO RUN OR CYCLE AFTER HEATING IS TURNED OFF



## MAIN BURNER ON BUT FAN NOT RUNNING



## MAIN BURNER ON FOR BRIEF PERIOD ONLY

Check Thermista-stat control knob is on maximum setting

Bridge out Thermista-stat connection at heater

**Burner lights and remains on**

Reconnect Thermista-stat at heater

**Burner not remaining on**

Replace Electronic Module

Check polarity by interchanging the external Thermista-stat leads

Bridge out Thermista-stat leads at Thermista-stat

**Burner remains on**

Thermista-stat faulty

**Burner not remaining on**

Open circuit in external wiring to Thermista-stat

## FAN ON BUT MAIN BURNER CYCLES BEFORE REQUIRED TEMPERATURE IS REACHED

Bridge out Thermista-stat

**Burner continues to cycle**

Check Limit Switch is operating

**Burner remains on**

Thermista-stat faulty

**Limit Switch operating**

Check temperature rise, if less than 60°C, replace Limit Switch

**Limit Switch not open circuit**

Replace Electronic Module

Check return air path and air filter for restriction

Check burner bar pressure is not excessive

**Fan speed too low**

Check balancing knob on Electronic Panel is not set too low

Put Fan Override Switch on Electronic Module to continuous position

**Fan speeds up**

Bridge out Airflow Sensor and set Fan Sensor Switch to AUTO

**Fan remains at slow speed**

Replace Electronic Panel

**Fan reaches maximum speed**

Replace Airflow Sensor

**Fan remains at slow speed**

Replace Electronic Module

**Models**

**J70-90**

**J55-65**

**JB40-50**

**JU40-50**

**JB16-20**

**JB25-30**

**Q44**

**HI-SPEC J30**

**HI-SPEC J50**

**HI-SPEC J65**

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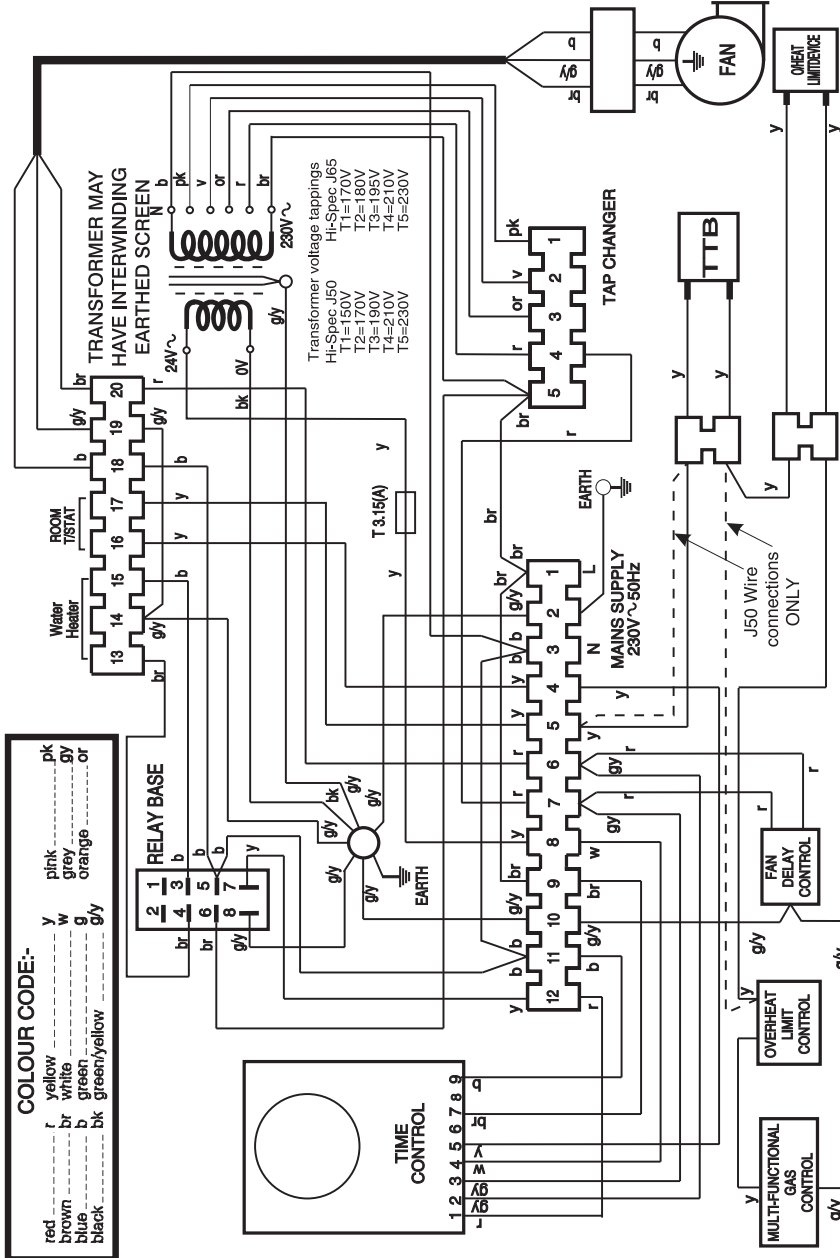
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SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	REMEDY
Pilot will not light	No gas supply to heater	Check for gas at inlet pressure test point on Multifunctional Control
	Gas supply pipe not purged	Purge gas supply pipe in accordance with BS 6891
	Pilot orifice restricted	Clear pilot orifice or replace pilot injector
	Piezo system faulty	Check ignitor, lead and electrode
Pilot lights but goes out on releasing START button during initial light-up, or after normal operation	Connection between Thermocouple and Multifunctional Control not secured	Check connection is secure
	Faulty power unit on Multifunctional Control	Replace Multifunctional Control
	Faulty Thermocouple	Replace Thermocouple
	Pilot flame of insufficient length	Adjust
	Pilot orifice restricted	Replace pilot injector
Main burner lights but fan fails to run after approx 3 minutes	Loose electrical connection fan delay control	Check connections
	Fan control set incorrectly	Check for correct settings
	Faulty fan assembly	Replace, taking care not to damage impeller
	Faulty fan control	Replace fan control
	Burner setting pressure not correct	Adjust pressure as necessary
Main burner operating intermittently with fan running	Gas rate or burner pressure setting high	Check gas rate and burner pressure setting
	Temperature rise excessive	Adjust fan speed or gas rate accordingly
	Air filter or return air path restricted	Check filter is clean and air path is clear
	Excessive number of outlets closed	Open additional outlets
	Spillage of flue gases	Carry out spillage test and rectify
	Spillage monitoring device (TTB) faulty	Replace spillage device

SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	REMEDY
Main burner operating with intermittent fan operation	Gas rate or burner pressure setting too high	Check gas rate and burner setting
	Fan delay control set incorrectly	Check for correct setting
Fan runs for excessive period or operates intermittently after mains burner shuts down	Fan delay control not set correctly	Check for correct settings
Noisy operation	Gas pressure too high	Check burner pressure setting
	Noisy fan motor	Replace fan assembly
	Fan speed setting too high	Adjust fan speed
Pilot alight but main burner not igniting	Mains electrical supply not connected to heater	Check mains supply
	Controls not demanding heat. Room thermostat is operating correctly	Check the time control (if fitted) and room thermostat are operating correctly
	Loose connection to room thermostat, overheat (limit) control, gas control lead, time control or transformer	Check connections
	Transformer open circuit	Check with test meter and replace electrical panel if necessary
	Multifunctional control faulty	Replace multifunctional control
	Overheat (limit) control faulty	Short circuit control and replace if necessary
	Room thermostat or external wiring faulty	Fit temporary loop to heater thermostat socket. If heater ignites, external circuit or room thermostat is faulty
TTB faulty	Check TTB and wiring for open circuit	

# Non-MODAIRFLOW CIRCUIT DIAGRAM



### Models

HI-SPEC J25

HI-SPEC J25RS

HI-SPEC J25SC

HI-SPEC J32

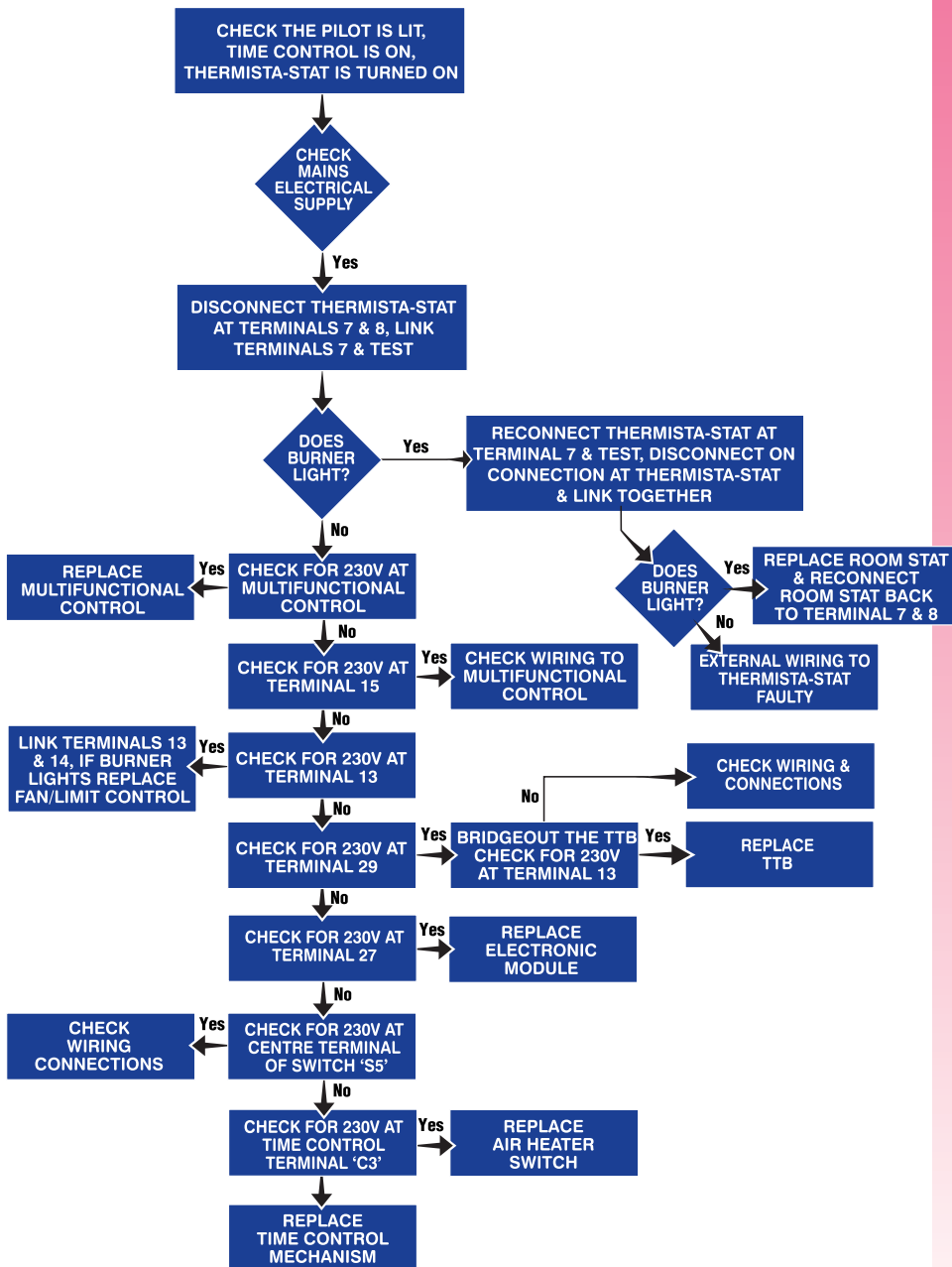
HI-SPEC M31

HI-SPEC J40

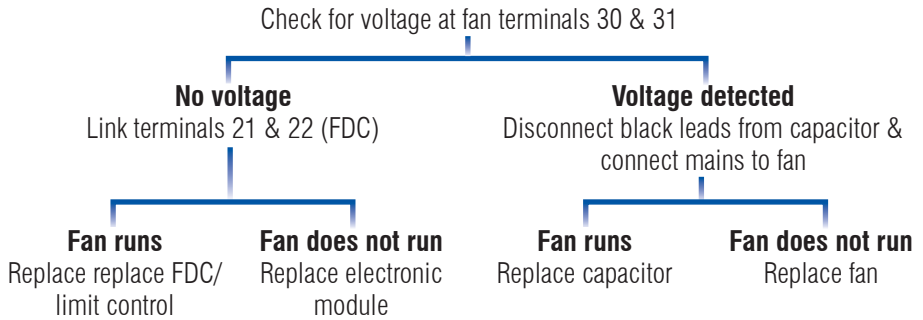
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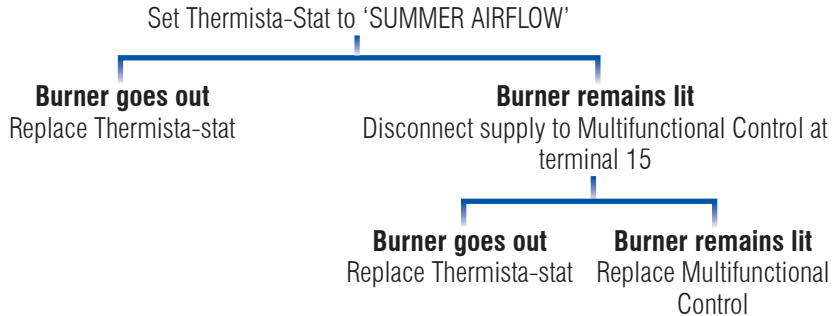
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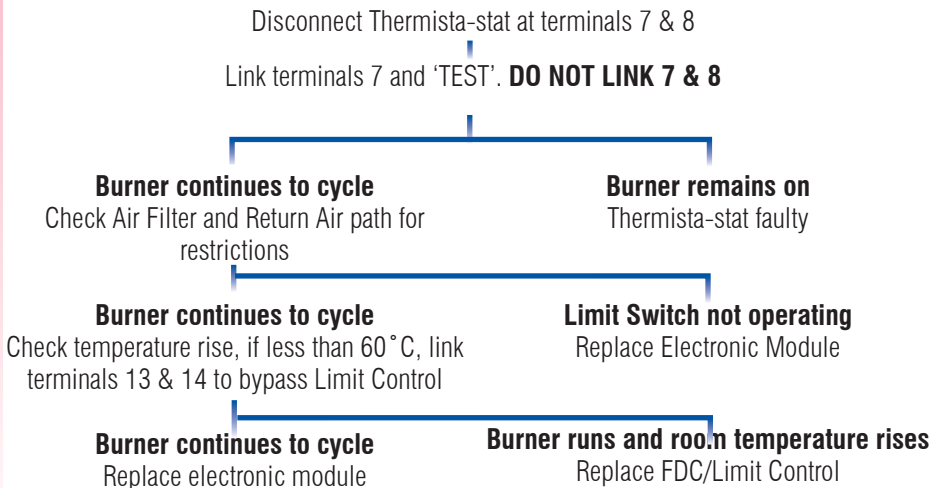
## MAIN BURNER ON BUT FAN NOT RUNNING



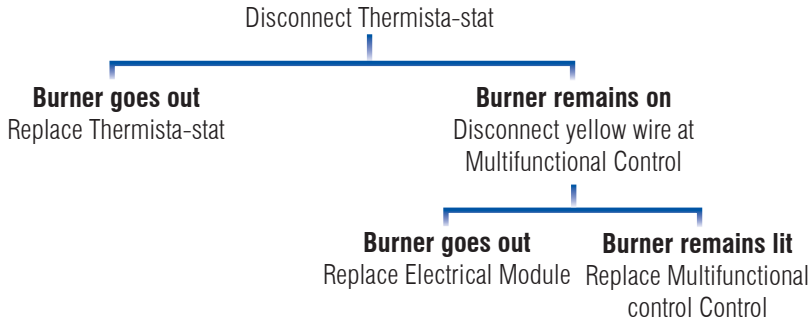
## MAIN BURNER CONTINUOUSLY ON (ROOM TEMPERATURE TO HIGH)



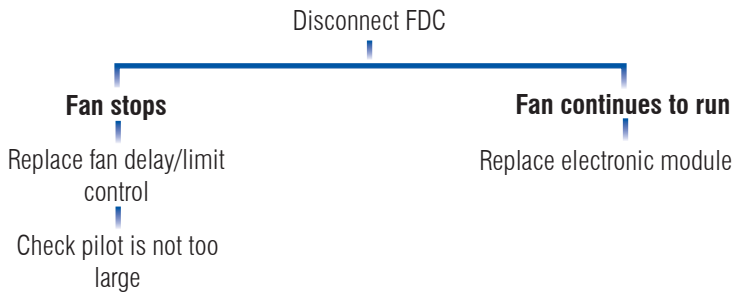
## FAN ON BUT MAIN BURNER CYCLES BEFORE REQUIRED TEMPERATURE IS REACHED



## MAINS BURNER NOT CYCLING (ROOM TEMPERATURE TOO HIGH)



## FAN CONTINUES TO RUN OR CYCLES AFTER HEATING IS TURNED OFF



### **Models**

**ECONOMAIRE 25**

**ECONOMAIRE 31**

**ECONOMAIRE 32**

**ECONOMAIRE 50**

**ECONOMAIRE 65**

**ECONOMAIRE 90**

#### ***NOTE:***

***FAULTS 4, 5 & 6 RELATE TO THE AIR HEATER, WHILST  
FAULTS 7, 8 & 9 RELATE TO THE WATER CIRCULATOR***

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# NO DISPLAY

Check mains electrical supply

## NO DISPLAY

Heater continually cycles in rest sequence

Disconnect main supply & check continuity across terminals 3 & 4

Reset button stuck or broken

**approx. 2.1k  $\Omega$**   
Check reset button & replace if broken

**Open circuit**  
Replace Economaire module

DISPLAY 1

**Pressure switch closed**

Press reset

**Switch fails to release**

Remove bottom pipe on pressure switch to release

Check tubes for blockage

Replace pressure switch

DISPLAY 2

Replace Economaire module

DISPLAY 3

Check for presence of orifice & remove where necessary

**Incorrect flue length**

**Blocked venturi** — Check venturi and clean if necessary

Check flue length and adjust if necessary

**No orifice**

Check for splits in air pressure tubes — Replace

Check flue protrusion (if horizontal) — Adjust

DISPLAY 4

Ensure ignition controller is correctly fitted (eg. no pins on MFC shorting together)

Press reset

Fails to reset — Change Economaire module

Sparks but pilot does not light — Replace ignition controller

DISPLAY (or 8)

5

Contact Johnson & Starley for advice whilst on site

DISPLAY (or 9)

6

Check gas supply pressure

Restore and purge as necessary

Ignition sparks

No ignition spark

Pilot lights

Pilot fails to light

Check polarity

Check lead/electrode

Check/replace ignition lead

Check for blockage in gas feed pipe/injector

Check/replace ignition electrode

No blockage

Replace MFC

Check voltage at Economaire module terminals:  
5 & 6 Air Heater  
8 & 9 Water Circulator

230V

Replace ignition controller

0V

Replace Economaire module

DISPLAY

A

Cabinet overheat protection

Check air circulation fan operation

Check compartment ventilation

Check return air filter for blockage

Check water pipe location and lag if necessary

Check duckwork for air leakage

DISPLAY

C

Airflow sensor out of range

Replace fan & limit stat

Contact Johnson & Starley for advice

DISPLAY

E

Airflow circulation fan circuit protection

Check fan connections for tightness

Contact Johnson & Starley for advice

DISPLAY **F**

**Ignites on rest**

**Air heater overheats**

- Check filter for blockage
- Check ductwork for restrictions
- Check return air path
- Check heat load for property

**Fails to ignite**

**Ignition controller lockout**

- Check wiring at pin 7
- Check limit switch wiring

**Fails to ignite**

Replace Economaire module/ignition controller

DISPLAY **H**

**Ignites on reset**

**Water circulator overheats**

- Check water circulation
- Check thermostat

**Fails to ignite on reset**

**Ignition controller lockout**

- Check wiring at pin 10
- Check limit switch wiring

**Fails to ignite**

Replace Economaire module ignition controller

DISPLAY **L**

**Fan & limit stat open circuit**

**Display shows L on restoration of power**

Check low voltage terminal block location on Economaire module

Check fan & limit stat wiring

**Display shows L during operation**

Check fan & limit stat & replace if faulty

## AIR CIRCULATION FAN ON PERMANENTLY

Link between '8' & test

Does fan stop

YES

Rewire thermista-stat

NO

Replace Economaire Module

Check correct thermista-stat

Check thermista-stat wiring

# PROPORTIONAL BALANCING

(Use in conjunction with **Johnson & Starley**:- Balancing procedure sheet using an airflow meter and thermometer.)

1. Set Heaters to Summer Airflow mode.
2. Calculate guide balancing velocities

<b>BALANCING PROCEDURE SHEET</b>				
Room 1 Column 1	Heat Required (kW) Column 2	Register/ Diffuser Size Column 3	Air Velocity Factor Column 4	Guide Balancing Velocity <b>Column 2 x Column 4 =</b> Metres per second

3. Transfer the guide balancing velocities to column **A** on the following table.

		<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
Warm air outlet number	Room	Guide balancing velocities	Measured Velocities	$\frac{\text{Column B}}{\text{Column A}}$	Balancing velocities Column A x Av Column C

4. Partly close the balancing dampers of the registers closest to the heater.
5. Measure the air velocity at each outlet and enter in column **B** .
6. Divide the figures in column **B** by the figure in column **A** and enter the result in column **C** .
7. Total the figures in column C and divide by the number of outlets to give an average.
8. Multiply each guide velocity (**A**) by the average (note 7) and enter the result in column **D** .
9. Balancing the system using the velocities in column D by adjusting the balancing dampers at the registers or the balancing screws/levers on the diffusers.
10. Set heater to heating mode and check temperature rise as opposite.



# Temperature rise checking across the heater

The temperature rise between the nearest available point in the return air duct and the nearest available point on the supply air duct must be between 45°C and 55°C; check as follows.

Ignite the pilot and main burners and allow 15 minutes of operation.

Set the burner bar pressure to give the required heat output as per the installation instructions.

If necessary adjust the maximum fan speed to give the temperature rise as per installation instructions:-

On **Basic Controlled Heaters** select the correct tapping at the control panel.

On **Modairflow Heaters** adjust the balancing screw at the control Panel.

On **System E-T Heaters** set the rate switch at the control Panel.

On **Economaire Heaters** the control system will automatically adjust the fan speed.

**AIR VELOCITY FACTORS**

REGISTER SIZE		Air Velocity Factor	DIFFUSER SIZE		Air Velocity Factor
in x in	mm x mm		in x in	mm x mm	
6 x 4	150 x 100	1.48	2.25 x 10	57 x 250	1.58
8 X 4	200 x 100	1.14	2.25 x 12	57 x 300	1.33
8 X 6	200 x 150	0.75	2.25 x 14	57 x 350	1.14
10 X 6	250 x 150	0.6	4 x 10	100 x 250	0.9
10 X 8	250 x 200	0.44	4 x 12	100 x 300	0.75
12 X 6	300 x 150	0.51	J&S Mini		3.4
12 X 8	300 x 200	0.37			

## HEAT EXCHANGER CHECK

With air circulation fan assembly and burner/controls assembly, heat exchanger cover and inspection plates (if fitted), removed, clean the heat exchanger flueways by thoroughly brushing from above and below.

By viewing through the Fan Aperture, using a torch or similar, examine the heat exchanger externally for signs of cracks or holes, particularly around welded joints.

Using a torch or similar, introduce a light source into the heat exchanger burner aperture and upper access port, and again examine the heat exchanger for signs of cracks or holes, particularly around welded joints, whilst again viewing through the fan aperture. Refit the air circulation fan, burner and controls assembly, and air filter / air cleaner.

Light the appliance and note main burner flame profile. If the flame profile is affected when the Air Circulation fan switches on, check for any leaks between the air heater and the base plenum, paying particular attention to heaters with rear draught diverters. Rectify any air leaks before continuing with this procedure.

Allow the air heater to operate for approximately 15 minutes to ensure stability, and with the main burner lit, ensure that the operation of the Air Circulation Fan does not affect the main burner flame profile.

If no defaults are found and the appliance is working correctly, servicing / commissioning should proceed.

## SPILLAGE TEST

Carry out a full test as follows, and ensure that the flue operates effectively with all doors and windows closed and any extractor fans in operation.

**NOTE:** If an extractor fan is situated in an adjoining or adjacent room, carry out the spillage test with the interconnecting doors open.

### **If the draught diverter is accessible:**

(With the appliance operating fully)

- a) Introduce smoke, into the draught diverter adjacent to an exit from the heat exchanger, by means of a smoke match or puffer.
- b) Ensure that there is no spillage present (indicated by displacement of smoke downwards and out of the draught diverter).

### **If the draught diverter is not accessible:**

(With appliance pre-heated)

- a) introduce smoke by means of **part** of a smoke pellet on a non-combustible support, into the heat exchanger.
- b) Extinguish both the Mains and Pilot burners.
- c) Ensure that there is no spillage evident by visually observing the draught diverter location on the air heater.
- d) If spillage is evident, further investigation and rectification is required before re-testing the appliance.
- e) Repeat spillage tests but with the fan running, or summer airflow switch set to ON.

**WARNING: The appliance shall not be left connected to the gas supply unless it has successfully passed the above spillage test.**



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