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## STRIKE A LIGHT

Wood heating is the natural way to heat your home without harming our environment. There are many contributors to poor air quality. During the year a number of factors can affect the air we breathe such as bush fires, burning of winter crop stubbles, summer storms, motor vehicle use and the topography of the land around us.

The Australian Home Heating Association does not dispute that old, poorly operated wood heaters *contribute* to pollution, however what most reports fail to recognize is that so do all heating appliances. There is no such thing as pollution-free heating.

Not only is wood heating one of the most efficient forms of heating, it is also one of the cheapest ways to heat your home. Wood burnt properly in a modern certified wood heater produces very little in the way of emissions.

### TIPS FOR BETTER BURNING

1. Burn only dry, well-seasoned wood.
2. Have your flue checked and cleaned every year.
3. Buy your firewood from a reputable supplier.
4. If you collect your own firewood – collect in dryer months
5. Store wood in a crisscross fashion and keep it undercover.
6. Keep air controls open until the fire is burning brightly.

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