

STORAGE HEATERS

Storage Heaters store up heat using low cost, off peak electricity. This heat then gradually releases during the day to keep your home warm.

In order for the storage heaters to be economical, the household should be on an Economy 7 electricity tariff. This is an arrangement with an energy supplier who will provide electricity at night at a lower rate than a standard day tariff – typically about a third of the price. Cheap rate hours in the winter are generally between 12 midnight and 7am.

There are usually two control buttons on your storage heater – an Input and an Output.



INPUT DIAL

The Input regulates how much heat is stored. In very cold weather set this to maximum (the highest number on the dial). When it is milder set this at a lower setting. This dial only needs to be adjusted when the outside temperature changes.

OUTPUT DIAL

The Output dial adjusts how much heat is released into the room. The higher the number on the dial, the more heat is released. It is advisable to leave the Output dial on low during the day and only open it in the evening if you need a bit more heat. Remember to turn back the dial to the lowest setting when you go to bed.

Turning the output right down will still provide a low level of heat, will save you money and should prevent the heater from giving up all the stored heat in the evening.

Useful Information & tips

- Never cover the surfaces of the heater or obstruct the air grills.
- Make sure there is a gap of at least 150mm/6" between the bottom of your curtains and the top of the heater if the storage heater is under a window.
- Each storage heater is operated independently. Adjust controls to suit the required heat in each room.
- The heating system has been designed so that you use all the heaters in the property to provide an adequate balance of heat throughout the property.
- To save money and heat, turn output dial to minimum at night or when leaving the property.
- Avoid using additional free standing heaters. It is cheaper to turn up the input dial of the storage heater and store more heat to be used when required.

Ideal settings for economical use of storage heater: Winter settings

