

TIMELY NOTE FOR GROWERS USING NATURAL GAS FOR CO² AND HEATING

Do not count on normal air infiltration to supply sufficient air under all conditions. To avoid problems where low outside temperatures may freeze cracks, provide some place in the structure 2 square inches of opening per 5000 BTU/hour input. For large unit heaters, fit the installation with a distribution tube, extending the length of the greenhouse and keep them in good repair. Check burners now for proper burning. A high carbon monoxide level may be an indication of improper combustion, but is not a reliable indication for ethylene. Remember that any combustion process produces ethylene. It must be diluted.

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