

# Emission Testing of wood fired stoves or fireplaces

Standards and Test Procedures in Australia/New Zealand, Europe and North America

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,AUS/NZ, Europe, USA/CAN
- **Example**  
inset appliance with various tests
- **Conclusion**



Spartherm Main Site:  
Melle, Germany

Fireplace Inserts,  
wood stoves



# Definition

Small wood fired appliances:

## **Common names:**

wood stoves, tiled stoves, fireplaces,  
and many more

## **Standardisation:**

room heaters, inset appliances, inserts,  
wood heaters, fireplaces

## **Intended use:**

living room heating and decoration

## **Typical features:**

- manually fed with batches of cord wood,
- natural chimney draught,
- manually controlled by user,
- operation without electric power



free standing



inbuilt

# Impact of wood combustion

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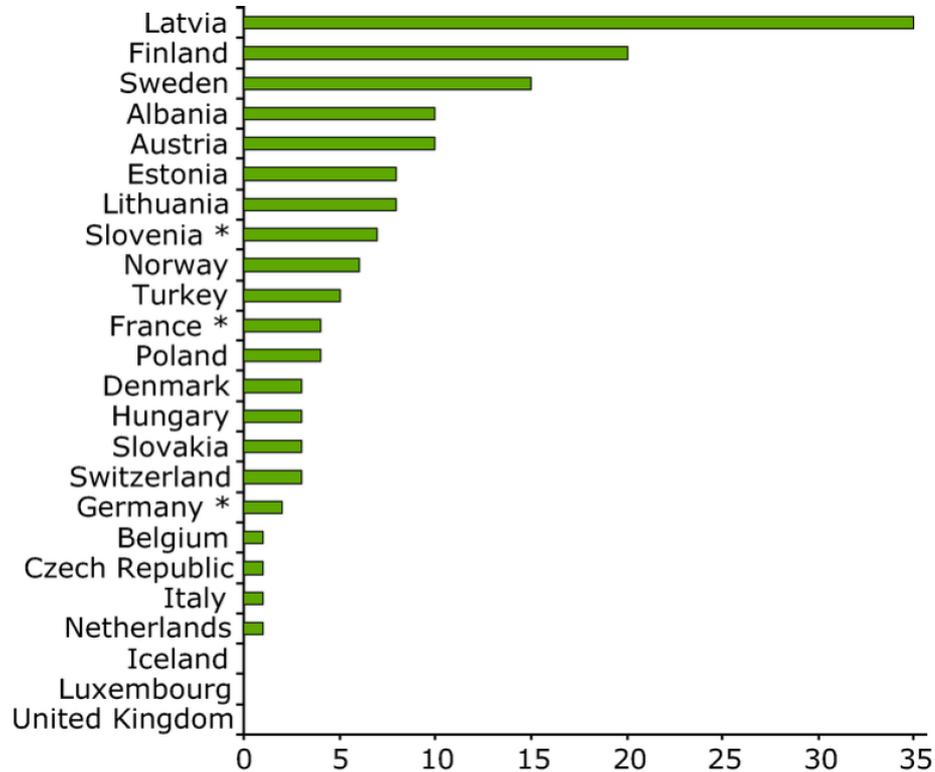
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Ecodesign, Lot 15: Solid fuel small combustion installations, Preparatory Study (2009)  
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## Contribution of wood energy to total energy consumption, 2005

\* 2000 values were used for France, Germany and Slovenia

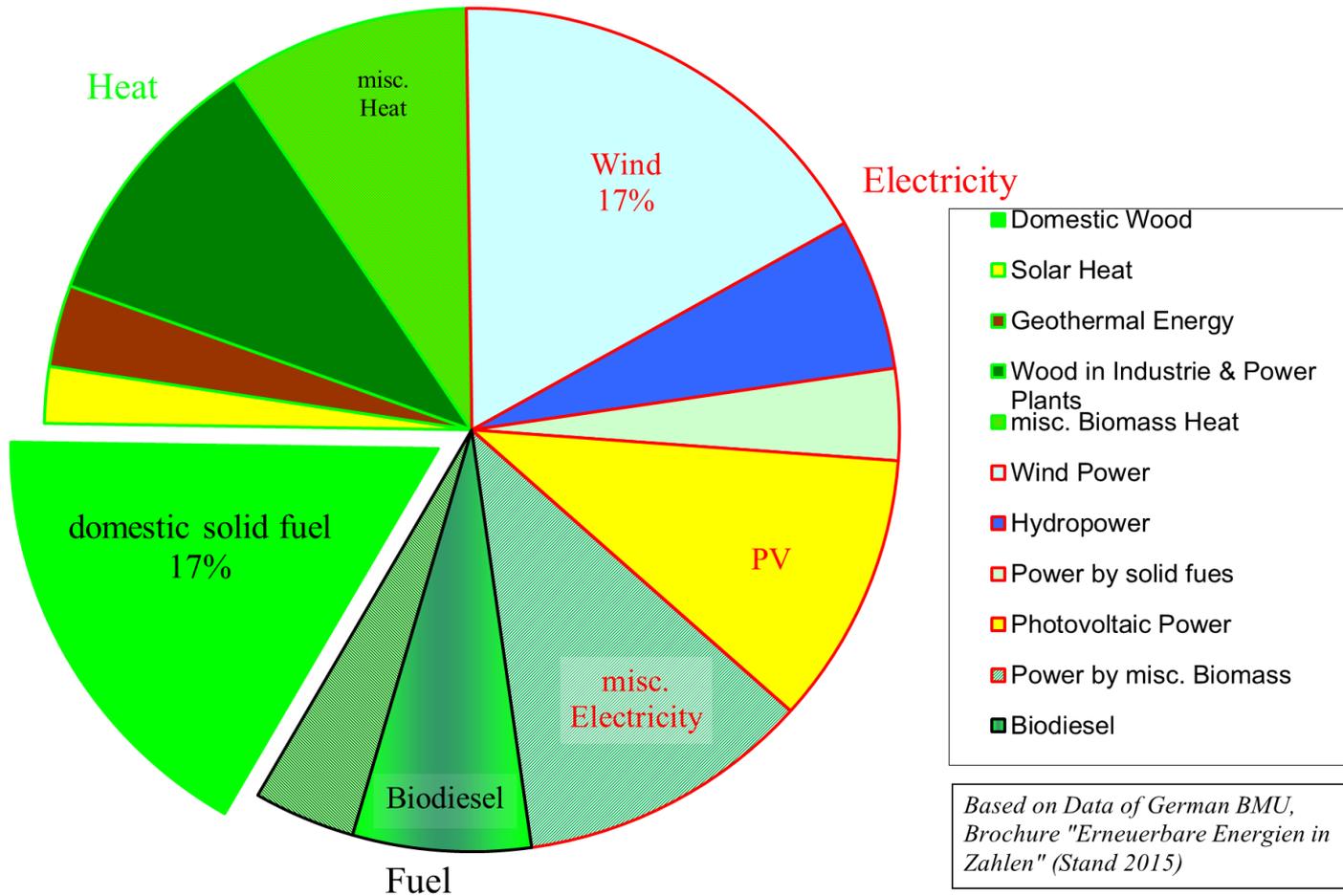


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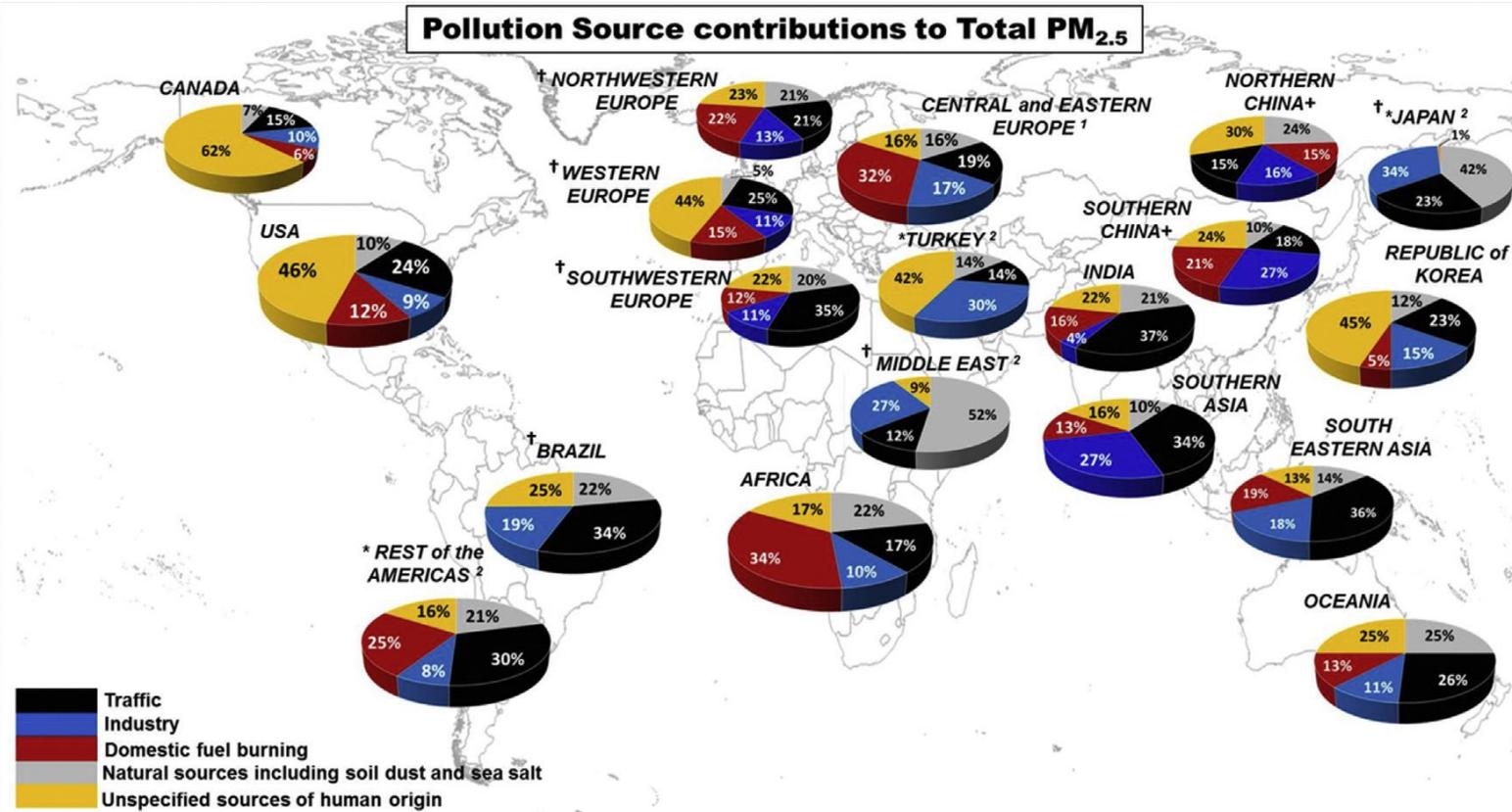
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## 2014: 336 TWh Renewable Energy in Germany



Based on Data of German BMU, Brochure "Erneuerbare Energien in Zahlen" (Stand 2015)

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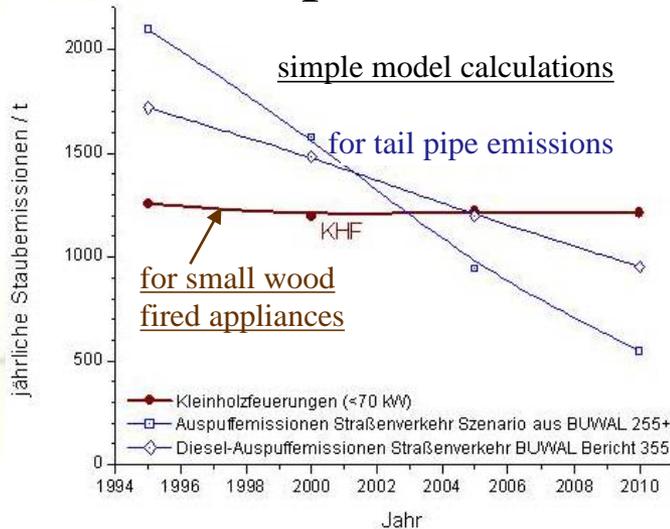


**Problem:** Emissions of small wood fired appliances, locally major source of particulates in ambient air

Contributions to cities' ambient particulate matter (PM): A systematic review of local source contributions at global level (2015) Karagulian, F.; Belis, C.A.; Dora, C.F.C.; Prüss-Ustün, A.M.; Bonjour, S.; Adair-Rohani, H.; Amann, M. Atmospheric Environment, pp. 475-483

# Impact of wood combustion

## Retrospective view



V. Schmatloch, J. Brenn,  
4. Kolloquium Klein-Holzfeuerungen 2004

→ Stricter requirements for small wood fired appliances

→ Standardisation work

# Impact of wood combustion

## Requirements or Regulation

national / regional / local based on type tests and upcoming market surveillance  
Efficiency / Particulates / CO / NO<sub>x</sub> / OGC

- NZ: no general national requirements  
requirements in „urban areas“ (premises >20ha)  
depending on local council (0,5g/kg to 1,5g/kg particulates)
- USA: EPA requirements for „wood heaters“,  
application differs depending on state or county  
no requirements for „fireplaces“, exemption for decorative or single burn  
rate units
- EU: general requirements scheduled for 2022  
presently different regulations in some member states
- UK: no general requirements  
Clean Air Act → Smoke Control areas (smokeless fuels or exempt appliances)
- D: National requirements on Efficiency, gaseous and particulate emissions,  
exemption for „open fireplaces“
- CH: National requirements on Efficiency, gaseous and particulate emissions,  
exemption for „open fireplaces“
- No: National requirements on Particulates, exemption for large appliances

# Test Procedures

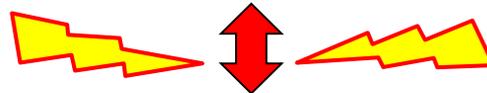
## Basic objectives of type tests

- Fire Safety
- Heating Performance
- Efficiency
- Emissions (CO, PM, NO<sub>x</sub>, C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>m</sub>/OGC/VOC)
- Test of compliance with declared performance and with requirements  
→ Certification

## Procedures for

Standardised Characterisation  
Comparison of different models

at



„realistic“ operating conditions

# Test Procedures

## Measurement method

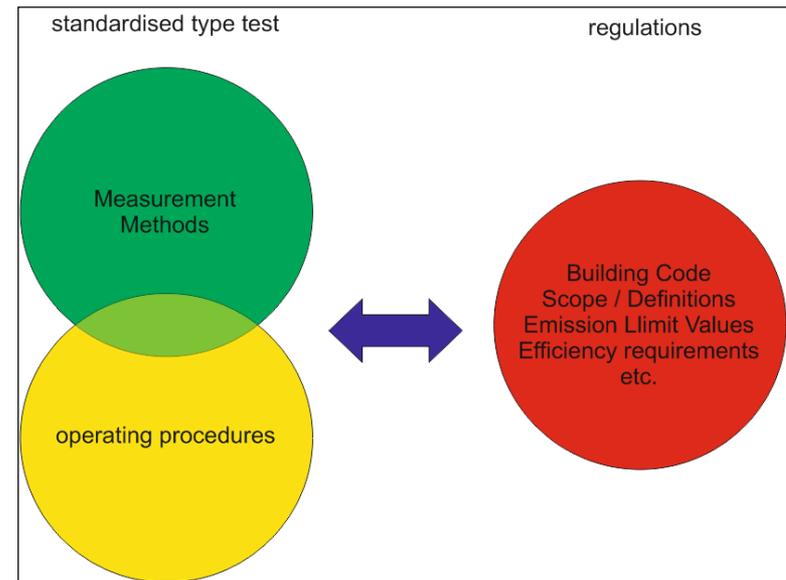
setup/sampling, principle/technology

## Appliance operation

chimney, fuel, loading combustion air, ignition, raking  
→ full load / part load or burn rates

## Regulation

limit values, allowed fuels



## Particulate Emissions

### Solid particles and condensibles

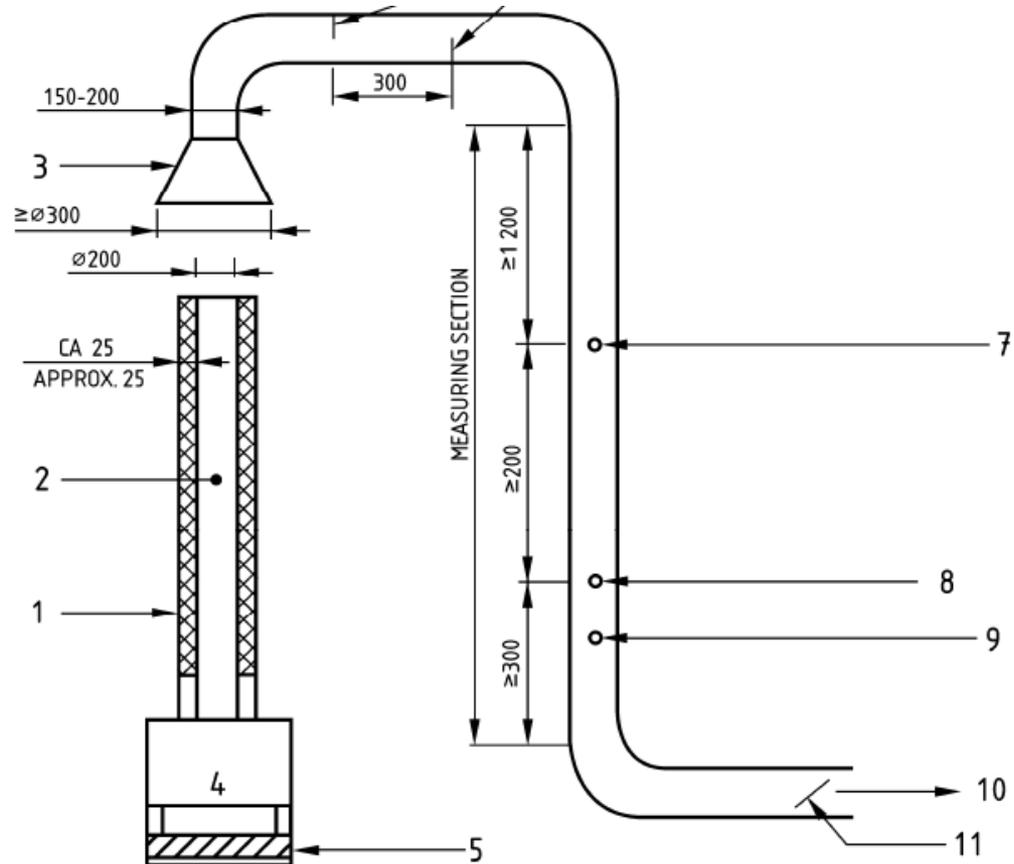
Possible approach

- A) Simulation of chimney conditions,  
→ condensibles for model conditions  
full flow dilution tunnel
- B) Measurements of flue gas components  
→ solid particles and condensibles separately  
Heated Filter and FID

General objective:

**lower type test emissions → reduced ambient air pollution**

# Test Procedures, PM sampling systems

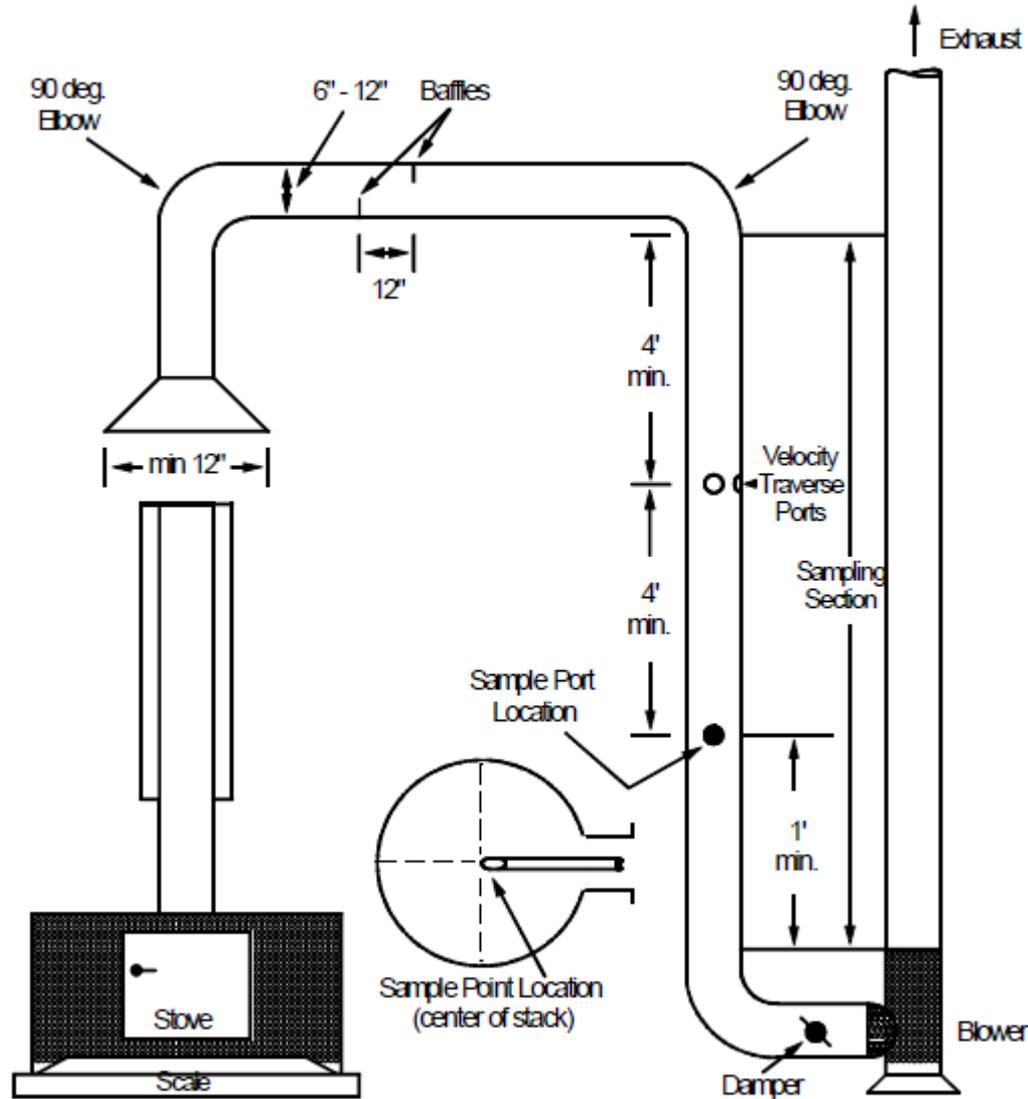


## Legende

- 1 Isolierung
- 2 Schornstein
- 3 Abgastrichter
- 4 Heizgerät
- 5 Waage
- 6 Verwirbelungsplatten

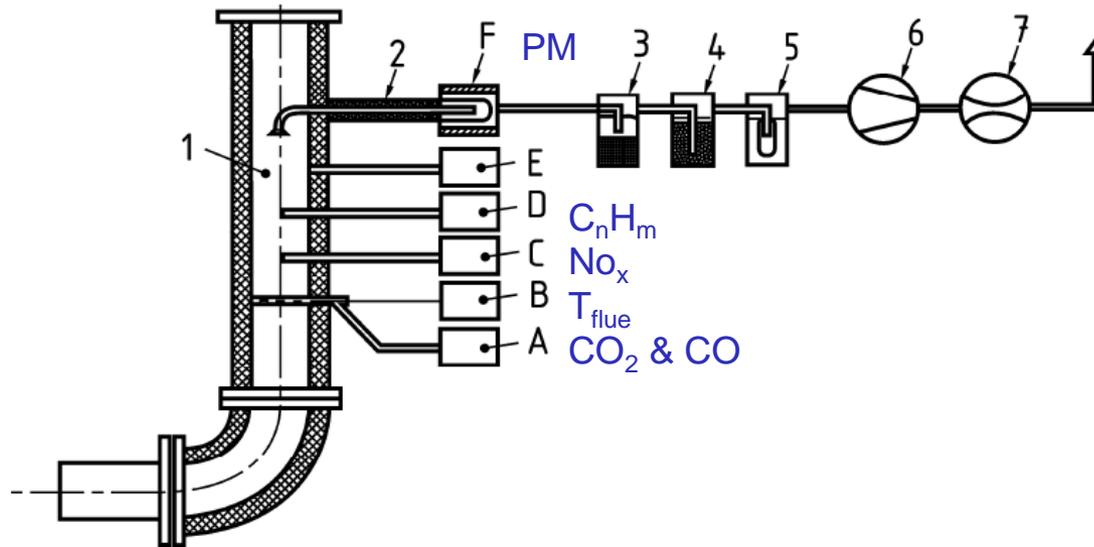
- 7 Geschwindigkeitsmessung
  - 8 Partikel- und PAK-Messung
  - 9 CO- und CO<sub>2</sub>-Messung
  - 10 Sonde
  - 11 Klappe
- According to TS15883

# Test Procedures, PM sampling systems



According to CSA B415

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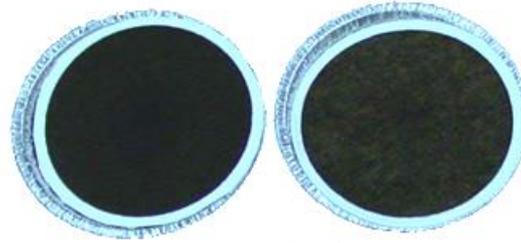
## Legende

- 1 Messstrecke
  - 2 Gas-Probeentnahmesonde und Leitung für die Partikelmessung (wärmeisoliert)
  - 3 Wasserabscheider
  - 4 Kieselgel-Filter
  - 5 Extrafein-Filter
  - 6 Pumpe
  - 7 Gas-Durchflussmengenmesser
- 
- A CO<sub>2</sub>- und CO-Messung
  - B Abgastemperatur  $t_a$ -Messung
  - C NO<sub>x</sub>-Messung
  - D C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>m</sub>-Messung
  - E Förderdruck-Messung
  - F Partikelfilter (off-line gravimetrische Messung)

According to TS15883

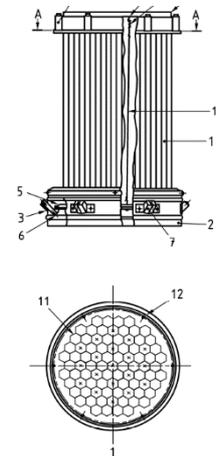
## Collection of particulates

Filters, most common material diameter



Aus „Feinstaubbildung in Holzfeuerungen“,  
N.Klippel, T. Nussbaumer,  
9. Holzenergie-Symposium 2006

UK alternative methode: ESP



According to TS15883

## General approach

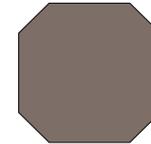
- A) Operating conditions fixed by standard
- B) Operation according to user instructions  
(„intended use“)

## Various parameters:

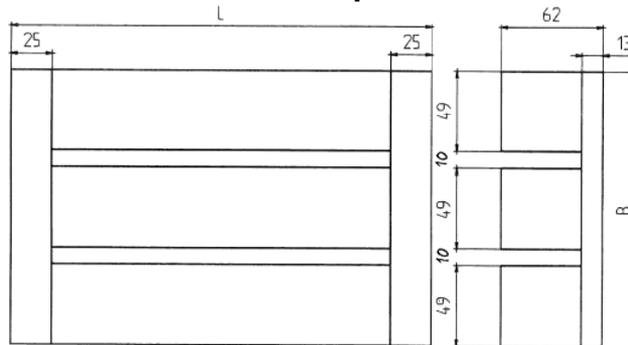
- Fuel load – mass / position / geometry
- Air setting
- Poking / Raking
- Refueling

## Examples for Fuel load – mass and geometry

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No: Mass according to Volume  $(112 \pm 11) \text{kg/m}^3$  crib wood made of pieces (49mm square crosssection) stitched together with defined with spacers



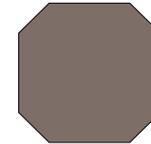
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# Test Procedures, operation and handling

## Examples for fuel load – mass and geometry

EN – European standards: cord wood  
fuel loading according to user instructions



## Burn rate / Nominal heat output

EPA (USA) – four given burn rates required

BURN RATE CATEGORIES

[Average kg/hr (lb/hr), dry basis]

| Category 1         | Category 2                     | Category 3                     | Category 4           |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| < 0.80<br>(< 1.76) | 0.80 to 1.25<br>(1.76 to 2.76) | 1.25 to 1.90<br>(2.76 to 4.19) | Maximum<br>burn rate |

According to EPA

NS 3058 (No)

Similar to EPA,

but four burn rates from below 1.25kg/h to >2.80kg/h possible

AUS/NZ: low, medium and high burn rates required

EN - European standards:

Nominal heat output according to user instructions

Standard requirements on minimum burn time → fuel load

## Number of tests

AUS/NZ: one valid test for each burn rate

USA/CAN: one valid test for each burn rate

No: one valid test for each burn rate

UK: two burn rates with 5 valid test runs

EN: one burn rate, 2 to 3 valid test runs

## Overview of selected specifics

|                  | <u>AUS/NZ</u>      | <u>EN</u>       | <u>No</u>          | <u>USA/CAN</u>     |
|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Test setup       | calor. Room        | test stand      | test stand         | test stand         |
| Sampling         | FFDT               | HF <sup>1</sup> | FFDT               | FFDT               |
| Exhaust system   | defined chimney    | fixed draught   | defined chimney    | defined chimney    |
| Burn rate        | standard           | user instr.     | standard           | standard           |
| # of burn rates  | 3 (1) <sup>2</sup> | 1 <sup>4</sup>  | 4 (2) <sup>3</sup> | 4 (1) <sup>2</sup> |
| Fuel load        | fbV*               | user instr.     | fbV*               | fbV*               |
| Raking/Adjusting | while starting     | no              | while starting     | while starting     |
| Fuel type        | constr.            | Cord wood       | constr.            | constr.            |
| Bark             | no                 | yes             | no                 | no                 |

1 - additional OGC measurement optional, 2 – „fixed burn rate units“, 3 – large units with restricted air setting  
4 – additional part load optional, \* -mass of fuel load calculated by volume of firebox

| Low Emission Woodburners  |                   |                        |                |          |              |                      |
|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------------------|
| Brand and Model           | Emissions (mg/MJ) | Emission Factor (g/kg) | Efficiency (%) | Type     | Water Heater | Authorisation Number |
| Spartherm Varia 2L 80h-P7 | 73.2              | 0.96                   | 65.9           | Built-in | None         | 168071               |
| Spartherm Varia 2R 80h-P7 | 73.2              | 0.96                   | 65.9           | Built-in | None         | 168072               |
| Spartherm Varia ASH-P8    | 72.8              | 0.99                   | 67             | Built-in | None         | 167168               |
| Spartherm Varia AS-P8     | 72.8              | 0.99                   | 67             | Built-in | None         | 167167               |
| Spartherm Varia Bh-P7     | 70.5              | 0.92                   | 65             | Built-in | None         | 167169               |

Excerpt of the „Authorised Solid Fuel Burners“ list,  
Canterbury Regional Council, NZ

# Test Results

| Appliance name  | Manufacturer   | England                                   | Wales           | Scotland                                  | Northern Ireland |
|---|--|---|-----------------|---|------------------|
| Spartherm Arte U-50h – P3, Spartherm Arte U-90h – P3 and Spartherm Arte U-70h – P3 insert stoves  | Spartherm Feuerungstechnik GmbH, Maschweg 38, D-49324 Melle, Germany | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | SI 2015 No.1513 | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | SR 2014 No. 294  |
| Spartherm Linear cassette model S 600 P3 inset stove  | Spartherm Feuerungstechnik GmbH, Maschweg 38, D-49324 Melle, Germany | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | SI 2015 No.1513 | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | SR 2014 No. 294  |
| Spartherm Linear Cassette XS500 –P3 insert stove  | Spartherm Feuerungstechnik GmbH, Maschweg 38, D-49324 Melle, Germany | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | SI 2015 No.1513 | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | SR 2014 No. 294  |
| Spartherm Mini 2LRh-4S P3, Spartherm Mini 2L-4S P3, and Spartherm Mini 2R-4S P3 wood-burning inset roomheaters  | Spartherm Feuerungstechnik GmbH, Maschweg 38, S-49324 Melle, Germany | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | SI 2015 No.1513 | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | SR 2014 No. 294  |
| Spartherm Passo S-P3, Spartherm Passo M-P3 and Spartherm Passo L-P3 10kW wood-burning stoves  | Spartherm Feuerungstechnik GmbH, Maschweg 38, D-49324 Melle, Germany | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | No              | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | SR 2015 No. 406  |
| Spartherm Stovo S, M and L Wood burning stoves  | Spartherm Feuerungstechnik GmbH, Maschweg 38, D-49324 Melle, Germany | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | SI 2015 No.1513 | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | SR 2013 No. 292  |
| Spartherm Varia ASH2L – P3, Spartherm Varia ASH2R – P3, Spartherm Varia ASH2L X – P3, and Spartherm Varia ASH2R X – P3 wood-burning inset roomheaters | Spartherm Feuerungstechnik GmbH, Maschweg 38, D-49324 Melle, Germany | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | SI 2015 No.1513 | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | SR 2014 No. 294  |
| Stovo L-plus – P3 4.7kW wood burning stove  | Spartherm Feuerungstechnik GmbH, Maschweg 38, D-49324 Melle, Germany | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | No              | <a href="#">View detailed information</a> | SR 2015 No. 406  |
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Excerpt of the list of Exempt Appliances for use in Smoke Control Areas, DEFRA, UK

## Overview for one model

| <b>Varia 2L / 2R 80h</b>                 | <b>AUS/NZ</b> | <b>EN</b>   | <b>No</b> |
|--|---------------|-------------|-----------|
| Efficiency / %                           | 65.9          | 80.2        | na        |
| Particulate emission / g/kg              | 0.96 g/kg     | na          | 3.2       |
| Particulate emission / g/h               | na            | na          | 10.4      |
| Particulate emission / mg/m <sup>3</sup> | na            | 23,7        | na        |
| Particulate emission / mg/MJ             | 73.2          | 16          | na        |
| Burn rate kg/h                           | na            | na          | 3.28      |
| NHO kW                                   | 11.56-12.93   | 10.4 / 16.0 | na        |
|  |               |             |           |
| Test Fuel Load / kg                      | 6.9           | 4.22*       | 3.88      |

\* - 2 batches

## Particulate emissions, four models compared according to tests results in AUS/NZ, EU, No

|               | Limit Value                        | Varia AS                               | Varia B                                | Varia 2L80                               | Varia AFD                              |
|---------------|------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| AUS / NZ g/kg | NZ:0.5/1.0/1.5/(4)<br>AUS: 1.5/2.5 | 0.99<br>(burn rate 2.7kg/h)            | 0.92<br>(burn rate 3.1kg/h)            | 0.96<br>(burn rate 4.9kg/h)              | 0.96<br>(burn rate 4.2kg/h)            |
| EU            | 40 mg/m <sup>3</sup> foreseen      | 19<br>(burn rate 2.7kg/h) <sup>1</sup> | 21<br>(burn rate 3.1kg/h) <sup>1</sup> | 24<br>(burn rate 2.8kg/h) <sup>1,2</sup> | 19<br>(burn rate 3.5kg/h) <sup>1</sup> |
| No            | 10 g/kg                            | 0.93<br>(burn rate 4.2kg/h)            | not tested                             | 3.16<br>(burn rate 3.3kg/h)              | 3.48<br>(burn rate 4.1kg/h)            |

1 – average over 2 burn cycles 2 – at NHO 10.4kW, higher NHO test available

# Conclusion

Large Variety of Appliances

Different National situations & habits



Different national requirements on emissions

Various Test Standards / different concepts

Proposal for Single European Test method:

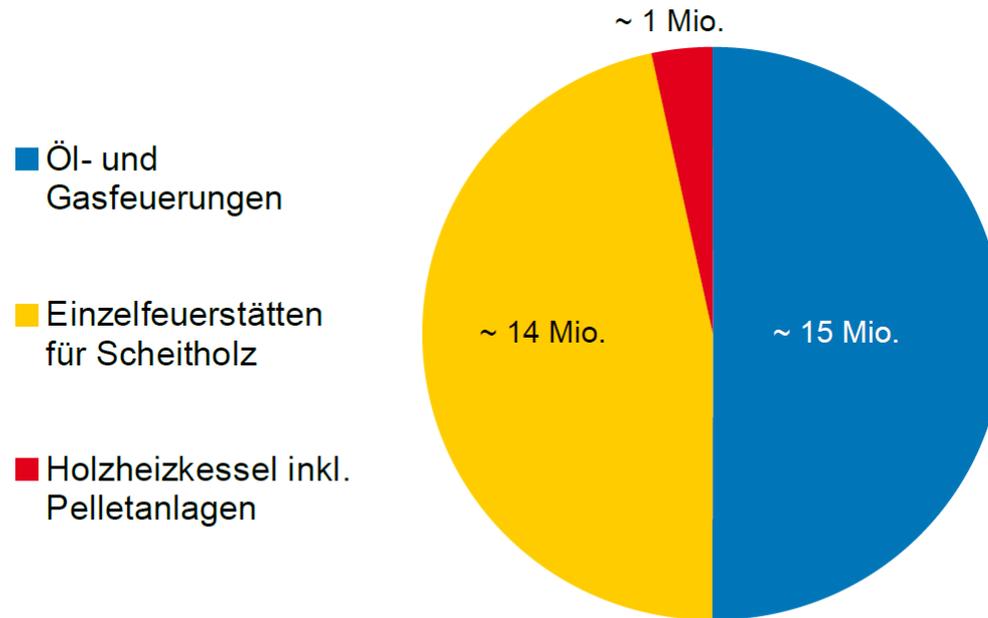
EN PME (see poster 22)

*„Real Life not yet standardised“*

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*Thank you for your patience!*

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Quelle: BMU, Novelle der 1. Bundesimmissionsschutzverordnung (1. BImSchV) Fragen und Antworten, 5/2009

## EMISSIONSGRENZWERTE UND VERBRENNUNGSVERBOTE IN DEUTSCHLAND

Tim Froitzheim, Referent Ofen- und Luftheizungsbau,  
Erneuerbare Energien, KOK 2014

# Test Results

## Stammdaten

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Eintrag vom             | 07.10.2013                                 |
| Hersteller              | Spartherm Feuerungstechnik GmbH            |
| Modell                  | Varia AS 11,0kW - A1                       |
| Nennwärmeleistung [kW]  | 11   |
| Dauerbrandfeuerstätte   | —  |
| Norm der Typprüfung     | DIN EN 13229                               |
| Prüfjahr                | 2013                                       |
| Prüfstelle              | RRF Rhein-Ruhr-Feuerstättenprüfstelle GmbH |
| Prüfstellenummer        | 2  |
| Nummer des Prüfberichts | RRF – 29 13 3201                           |

## Abgaswerte

|                              |                    |
|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Abgas Massenstrom [g/s]      | <b>Holz</b><br>9.5 |
| Abgastemperatur [°C]         | 340                |
| Notwendiger Förderdruck [Pa] | 12                 |

## weitere wichtige Geräteeigenschaften

|   |    |
|---|----|
| Eignung zur Mehrfachbelegung <sup>1)</sup>                      | ✓✓ |
| Anschlußmöglichkeit an das Zentralheizsystem                    | —  |
| Bauaufsichtliche Zulassung für den raumluftunabhängigen Betrieb | —  |

<sup>1)</sup> Bei raumluftabhängigem Betrieb kann die Feuerstätte zur Mehrfachbelegung geeignet sein [siehe Installationsanleitung].  
Hiermit bestätigt der HKI Industrieverband e.V. im Auftrag des Herstellers die Einhaltung der Jeweiligen Anforderung\* gemäß 1.BlmSchV. Der Typprüfbericht der Feuerstätte liegt dem HKI Industrieverband e.V. vor.  
\* Bei grünem Haken wird die 1. Stufe der 1.BlmSchV erfüllt, bei gelben Haken wird die Übergangsregelung der 1.BlmSchV erfüllt und bei rotem Strich wird die 1.BlmSchV nicht erfüllt.

## Bewertung von Emissionsdaten und Wirkungsgrad Holz

| Norm DIN EN 13229: Kamineinsätze [geschlossene Betriebsweise] | Bewertung |   |
|---|-----------|---|
| D - 1.BlmSchV   | 2<br>✓    | <a href="#">Details</a> <a href="#">Erklärung</a> |
| A - Österreichische Vereinbarung gemäß Art.15a B-VG           | ✓         | <a href="#">Details</a>                           |
| CH - Schweizer Luftreinhalteverordnung                        | ✓         | <a href="#">Details</a>                           |

<http://cert.hki-online.de/geraete>

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| Kat.         | Anlagengruppe   | Jahr    |         |         | Veränderung |           |
|--------------|---|---------|---------|---------|-------------|-----------|
|              |   | 2014    | 2013    | 1990    | 2014/2013   | 2014/1990 |
| A            | Einzelraumheizungen (A):<br>Anlagenkategorie 1 bis 6        | 539'039 | 545'116 | 537'525 | -1.1%       | 0.3%      |
| B            | Gebäudeheizungen (B):<br>Anlagenkategorie 7 bis 11b         | 56'175  | 60'612  | 152'673 | -7.3%       | -63.2%    |
| C            | Automatische Feuerungen (C):<br>Anlagenkategorie 12a bis 18 | 8'192   | 7'791   | 2'250   | 5.1%        | 264.1%    |
| D            | Spezialfeuerungen (D):<br>Anlagenkategorie 19 und 20        | 94      | 93      | 49      | 1.1%        | 91.8%     |
| <b>Total</b> |   |         |         |         |             |           |
| Total        | Total, alle Anlagenkategorien                               | 603'500 | 613'612 | 692'497 | -1.6%       | -12.9%    |
| <b>Total</b> |   |         |         |         |             |           |
| Total        | Total ohne KVA (Kat. 20)                                    | 603'470 | 613'582 | 692'471 | -1.6%       | -12.9%    |

**Tabelle 2.1**      *Veränderung des Anlagenbestandes nach Gruppen*

Schweizerische Holzenergiestatistik  
Erhebung für das Jahr 2014, BFE, Schweiz

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