

# LEADER EVAPORATOR STANDARD 2X6 / 2X8 WOOD FIRED ARCH



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# **EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION**

A standard wood fired arch from Leader Evaporator is designed to have a deeper and wider firebox to increase firing capacity. There is a large draft door to maximize airflow. Grates are designed with a double "V" to give the strongest and most warp resistant properties.

NOTE: Pictures, sketches and drawings presented in this document are not to scale.

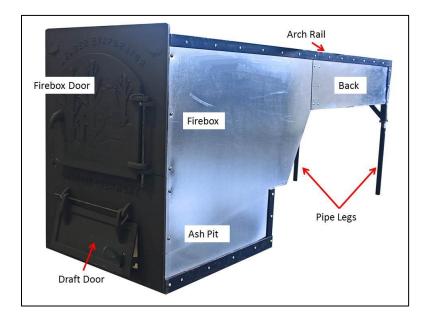
The Leader Standard Wood Fired Arch consists of the following parts:

ITEM	LEADER ORDER #	DESCRIPTION / PHOTO	ITEM	LEADER ORDER #	DESCRIPTION / PHOTO
Arch	As Ordered		Grates (Qty: 4)	75021	
Base Stack	512410L (stainless steel)		Smoke stack 2X6 Qty: 3 2X8 Qty: 4	5210S (stainless steel)	
Draft Door Latch Wire tied to draft door of arch	75169		Flue Brush Rod (8' )	60071 (6') 60072 (8')	C Rod end is threaded to allow mounting of flue brush
Pipe legs (Qty: 2) Wire tied to inside rear of arch	77021				

### OPTIONAL SPARE PARTS, SETUP PARTS AND OPERATIONS EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

ITEM	LEADER ORDER #	DESCRIPTION / PHOTO	ITEM	LEADER ORDER #	DESCRIPTION / PHOTO
Upper Half 24"	75170		Lower Half 24"	75171	A MARKAN - AANANA
10" Leader Style Roof Jack		Peak or Side of Roof Style	INSULBOARD 1" – 1'X3' (3 sq. ft)	65000	
3000 <sup>°</sup> Full Brick	<u>65003</u>		3000° Half Brick	<u>65006</u>	
Refractory Cement	65001	REFRACTORY CEMENT	Jaco Firestop Plus (10.5 oz tube)	65196	
10" Stack Cover	<u>5410</u>				

# DIAGRAM OF THE STANDARD WOOD FIRED ARCH



# SETUP OF THE STANDARD WOOD FIRED ARCH

NOTE: The following information pertaining to setup of an arch is to be considered one suggested method. Installations should meet all applicable governmental regulations and standards.

# **RECEIVING YOUR ARCH:**

Upon receipt of the arch, it is recommended the following tasks be performed:

- 1. Protect all incoming materials from damage and the environment. If possible place the arch at the location where it will be setup (See section titled SUGAR HOUSE SETUP).
- 2. Unpack all materials and check the received materials against the Equipment Description list provided above.
- 3. Immediately notify Leader Evaporator or your local dealer if there are questions on the received equipment.

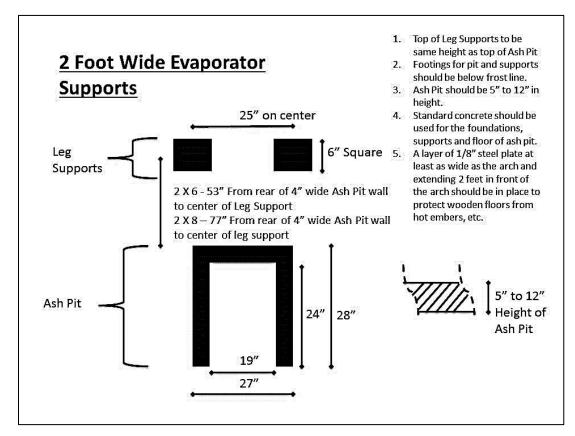
# **SUGAR HOUSE SETUP:**

Prior to setup of the sugar house, it is suggested future needs be considered. The requirements for the setup of the standard arch may not be adequate if in the future additional or larger equipment will be needed. If assistance is needed in determining possible future requirements please contact Leader Evaporator Sales or your local dealer. The following are <u>minimum</u> clearances recommended for around the arch. When determining the clearances, keep in mind any additional items/equipment (ex. packaging supplies, canner, table(s), chairs) and where they will be located in the sugar house:

- 1. Front of the arch: six (6) feet
  - a. Allows room for firing and cleaning out of ashes
- 2. Back of the arch: three (3) feet
  - a. Allows for cleaning and removal of the stack
- 3. Sides of the arch: four (4) feet
  - a. Allows for draw off and movement

# FOUNDATION FOR THE ARCH

The following is one suggested method of preparing a foundation for the arch. The example shown is for a 2 foot wide arch.



# SETTING THE ARCH ON THE FOUNDATION:

- 1. Place the arch on the foundation.
  - a. The firebox of the arch should be centered on the foundation of the Ash Pit.
  - b. The front of the arch should be on the open side of the Ash Pit.



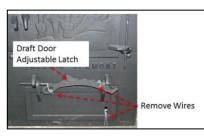


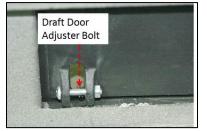
- 2. The pipe legs are wire tied to the inside rear of the arch for transport. Remove the pipe legs from the arch.
- 3. Move the pipe leg nuts to a position approximately half way on the threads.
- 4. Place a pipe leg into each socket. The sockets are located at the rear of the arch. The threaded end of the pipe leg should be inserted into the sockets.
  - a. Seat the pipe legs in the Leg Support.



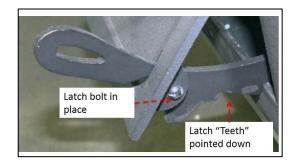
- 5. Level the arch on the foundation.
  - a. Place a 4-foot level on the rail of the arch front to back. (The rail is the part where the pans are rested).
  - Adjust the level of the arch by raising or lowering the pipe leg nuts. The use of two pipe wrenches is suggested. Metal shims may be needed on the front of the arch..
  - c. Place the level on the rail of the arch side-to-side.
  - d. Adjust the level of the arch by raising or lowering the pipe leg nuts.

# INSTALL THE FRONT DRAFT DOOR ADJUSTMENT LATCH





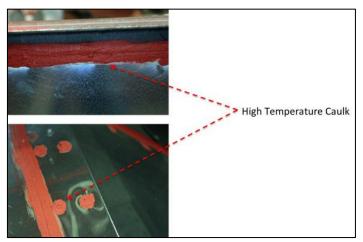
- 1. Install the draft door adjustable latch
  - a. The latch is wire tied to the front of the draft door. Remove the wires to free the latch. Remove the wire securing the draft door.
  - b. Remove the draft door adjuster bolt. The draft door adjuster bolt is located on the rear of the draft door across the latch slot.



c. Slide the latch into the slot until the mounting hole in the latch is in line with the bolt holes in draft door. Ensure the "teeth" of the latch are pointed down. Insert the bolt through the bolt holes and the latch and tighten the nut.

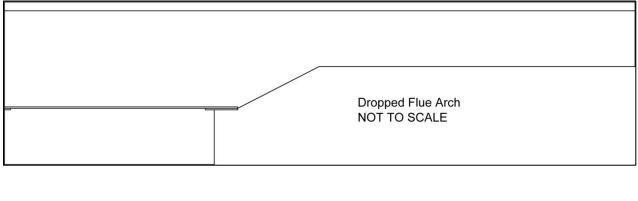
# INSULATING THE ARCH:

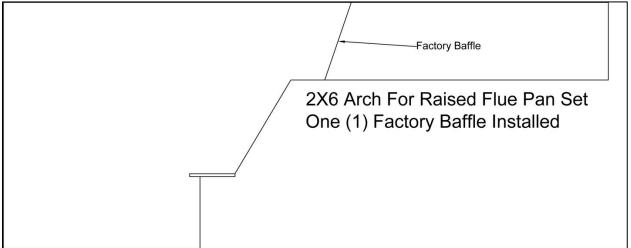
### **General Notes**

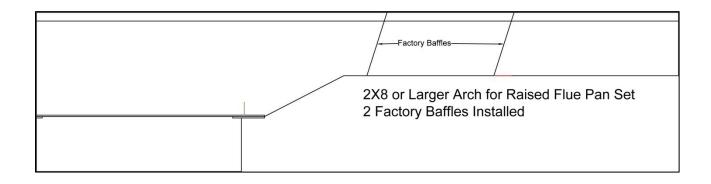


 Prior to insulating the arch it is recommended high temperature caulking (ex. JACO Firestop Plus LEADER Order #65196) be used to seal all joints, rivets and bolts. This is to prevent sparks and smoke from exiting the arch.

- 2. Each of the presented drawings is accompanied by a table of approximate dimensions for cutting and fitting pieces. The ID for each piece to be cut can be cross referenced between the drawing and the table.
- 3. Layout of the insulation of the arch will be dependent on the type of evaporator pan set to be used. Arches are built for dropped flue and raised flue pan sets. The difference will be in the factory and user installation of baffles for the raised flue pan sets. Dropped flue pan sets do not use baffles. Raised flue pan sets have factory baffles installed. With the exception of a 2X6 (or smaller), arches for raised flue pans have 2 factory installed baffles. The diagrams below illustrate the arches:







 Obtain the right number of 3000° fire bricks, refractory cement containers and insulation board: NOTE: The quantities on the table are approximate usages. Actual quantities will vary depending on the actual techniques and layouts employed.

#### **Dropped Flue**

Arch	Half Bricks	Full Bricks	Insulation Board	Refractory Cement (30 lbs. buckets)
2 X 6	97	14	11	2
2 X 8	115	23	13	2

#### **Raised Flue**

Arch	Half Bricks	Full Bricks	Insulation Board	Refractory Cement (30 lbs. buckets)	Vermiculite (bags)
2 X 6	109	16	13	2	1
2 X 8	112	16	12	2	1

5. Begin by fitting the insulation board and bricks in the arch "dry" (no cement). This will allow you to cut and fit all the insulation board and bricks into the arch so the cementing can be done in one continuous application.



NOTE: The use of a wet saw or masonry blade in a circular saw is recommended to cut the bricks where required.

NOTE: The use of a mini hacksaw is suggested for cutting the insulation board.

The following sections are the outline for the preparing and sequencing of the fitting of the insulation board and brick into the arch. Adjustments to shown sizes will be required as the installation proceeds. The rule of "*Measure twice and cut once*" will reduce waste in fitting the pieces. As you go through each of the following pages, cut, "dry fit" then cement the parts into place.

When fitting pieces in the arch there will be bolts and rivets where the pieces are being fit. In order to properly fit for the bolts and rivets either:

• Measure the locations on the sheet and cut out the necessary area for clearance of the rivets/bolts OR

• Place the sheet in position and press it against the rivets/bolts in order to mark the rear of the sheet then cut out the marked area to allow for clearance of the rivets/bolts.

NOTE: Insulating sheets at the top of the arch may leave a <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" gap between the sheet top and the bottom of the arch rail. If this occurs, after the cement has dried, fill the gap with rail gasket material.

#### **Cementing of Insulation Board and Bricks**

In the drawings standard bricks are labelled as follows:

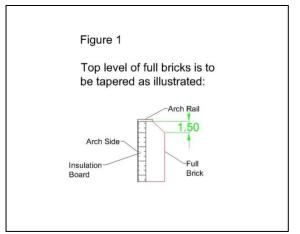
- 1. Skim coat a layer of refractory cement to the inside arch wall covering the approximate area of the piece of arch board to be mounted. Place the board against the cement.
- 2. The cement does not need to dry prior to installing the bricks.
- 3. To install brick, skim coat the rear of the brick and apply a heavier coat to the sides of the brick. Place it into position. As more bricks are added the cement will be forced from the joints. Scrape and smooth off the excess cement. Make sure all openings between the bricks are filled with cement.
- 4. Allow the cement to dry for 36 hours at room temperature (65°F or higher).

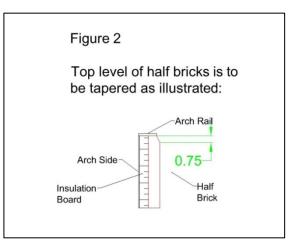
#### NOTE: THE LAYOUTS AND DIMENSIONS PRESENTED IN THE FOLLOWING PAGES ARE FOR USE AS GUIDELINES. ALWAYS MEASURE AND "DRY FIT" BOARD AND BRICKS PRIOR TO FINAL PLACEMENT.

#### Bricks

LABEL **BRICK TYPE** FB Full Brick (9" X 4.5" X 2.5") Half a Full Brick (4.5" X 4.5" X 2.5") HFB ΗB Half Thickness Brick(9" X 4.5" X 1.25") HHB Half a Half Thickness Brick (4.5" X 4.5" X 1.25")

The top row of bricks should be cut so they do not prevent the heat from reaching the pans. The bricks will need to be tapered on the top. See the illustration below.





# Standard Wood Fired Arch Design

Leader standard wood fired arches have two different overall designs. They are divided by widths; 24" and greater than 24". The generalized design for a 24" is shown in the following pictures.





Two Foot Wide Front

Two Foot Wide Rear

# Considerations For A MAX/COMBO Flue Pan

In order to properly direct the heat into the flues of a MAX/COMBO flue pan, additional bricking must be added to form baffles at certain locations.

Baffles should be located as indicated in the following table. The measurements are from the front of the stack collar to the front of the brick baffle. Each baffle requires 3 full bricks.

Flue Pan Length (FT)	Qty of Baffles	Location of Baffles (inches in front of stack collar						
3	1	20						
4	2	20	30					
5	2	20	42					
6	2	20	54					

- 1. Begin by bricking the arch as described for a dropped flue arch.
- 2. At the locations specified in the table run a row of full thickness bricks across the arch.
  - a. The front of the row of bricks will be at the location specified in the table.
  - b. The bricks should be laid face down on the bricks on the floor of the arch.

#### **Insulating a Drop Flue Arch** Insulating a 2X6 Arch

The order of insulation is as follows:

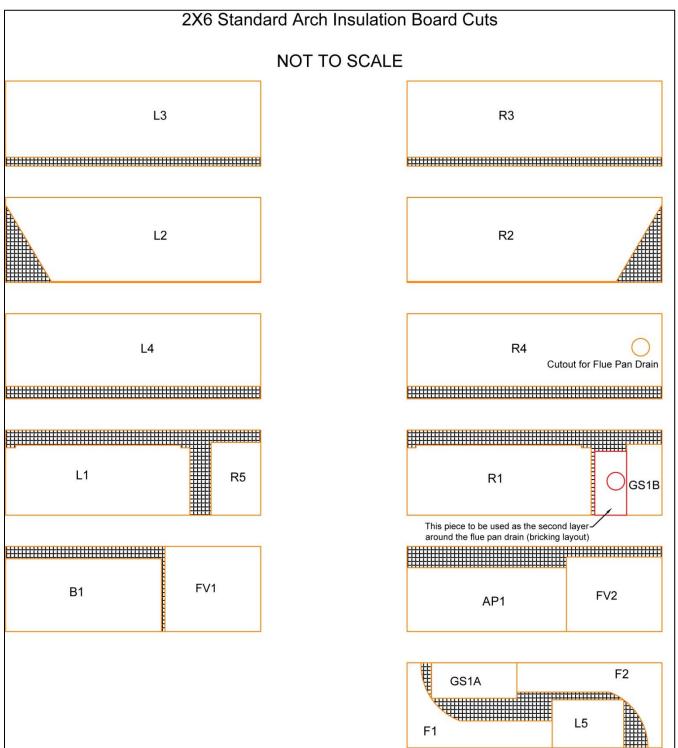
- 1. INSULATION BOARD
  - a. Front
  - b. Left Side
  - c. Right Side
  - d. Back Board
  - e. Rear Grate Shelf to Top of Incline
  - f. Ash Pit Rear Board
- 2. BRICKING
  - a. Floor behind Top of Incline
  - b. Left Side
  - c. Right Side
  - d. Back
  - e. Ash Pit Rear
  - f. Install the Grates
  - g. Front
  - h. Grate Shelf to Top of Incline

Standard Wood Fired Arch - Two Foot In Width 2018

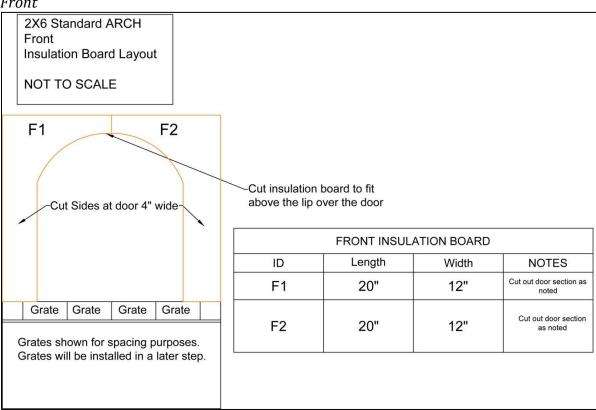
# Insulation Board

# Cut Out Diagram

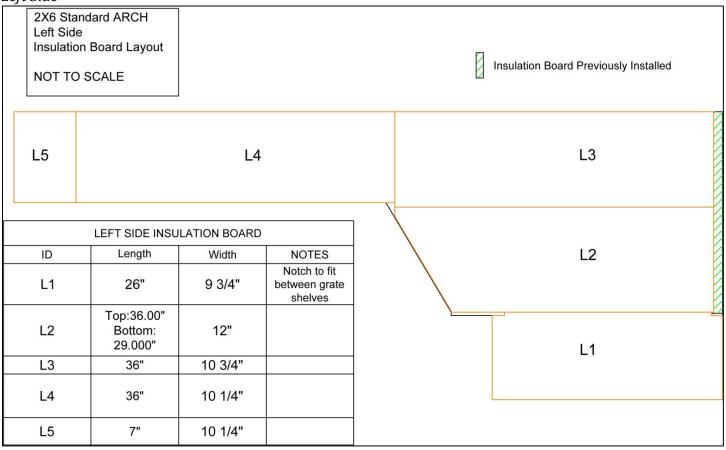
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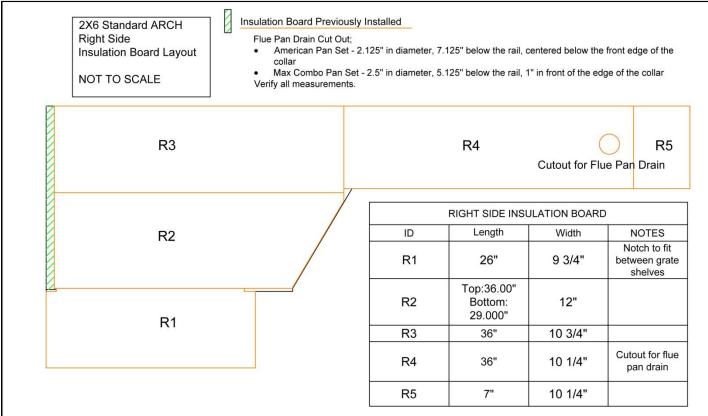




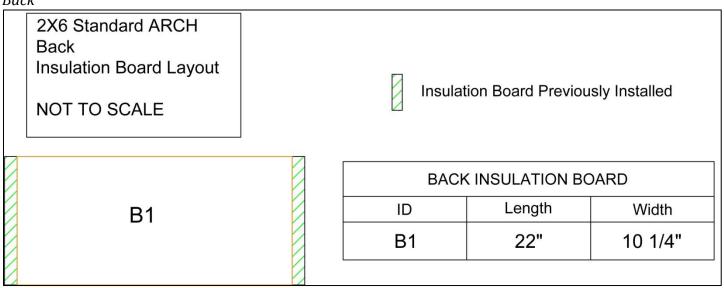
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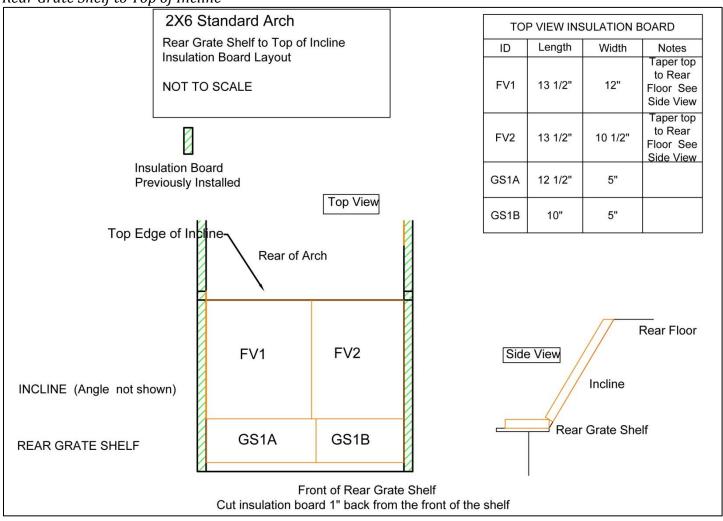
#### Right Side



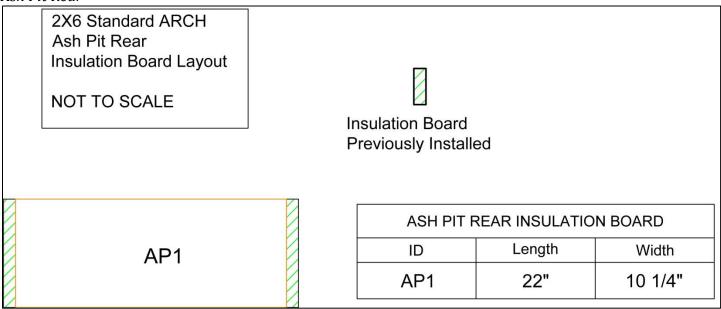
#### Back



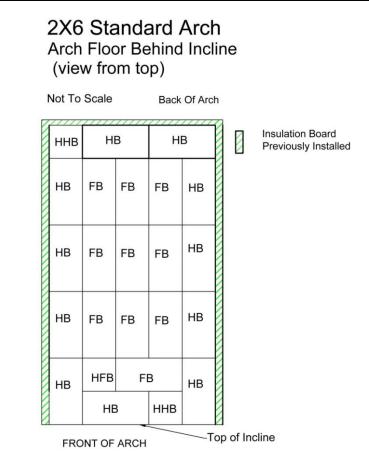
Rear Grate Shelf to Top of Incline



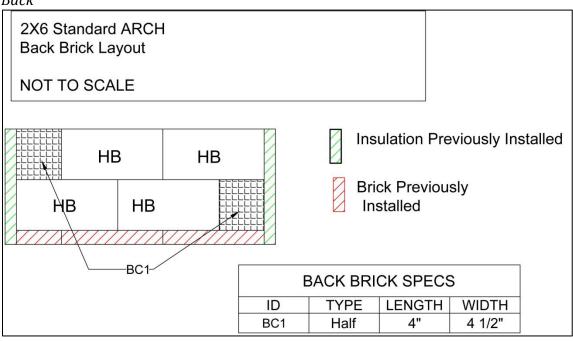
Ash Pit Rear



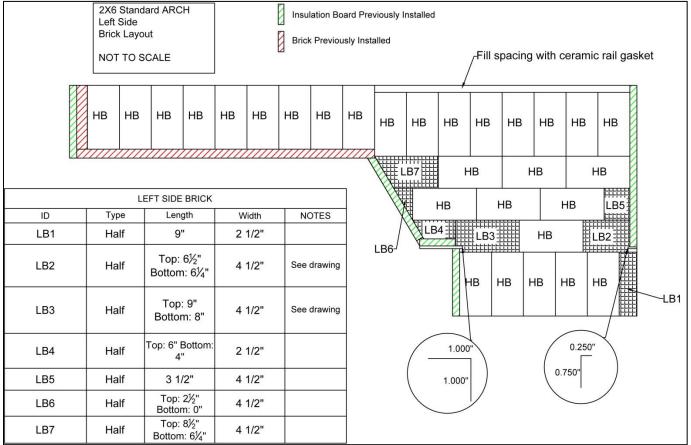
Floor behind Top of Incline



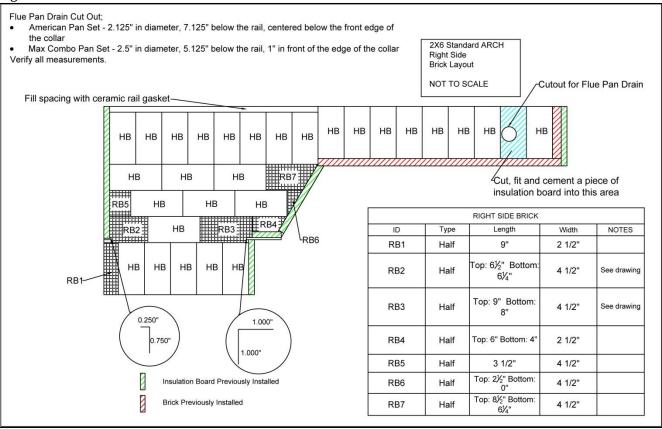




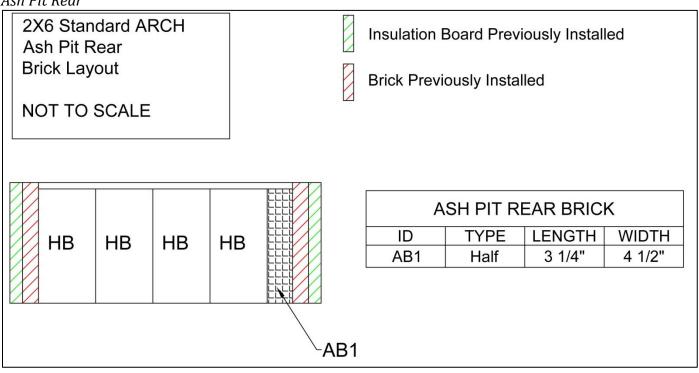
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#### Right Side



Ash Pit Rear



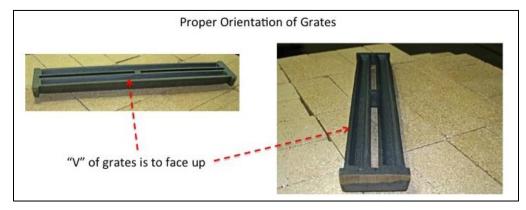
### Install the Grates



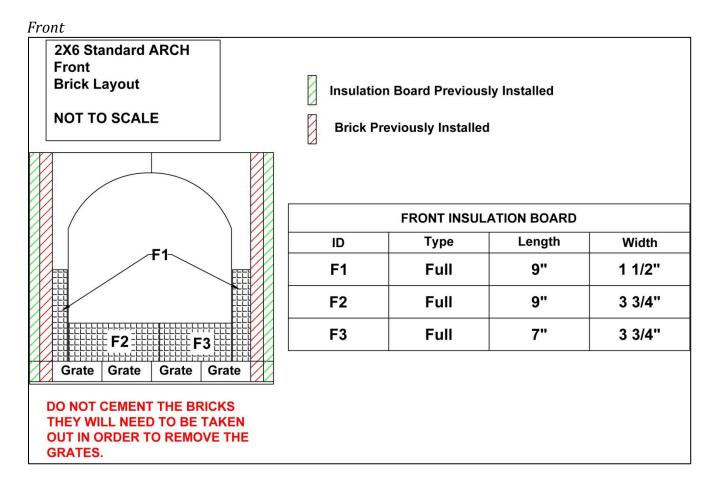
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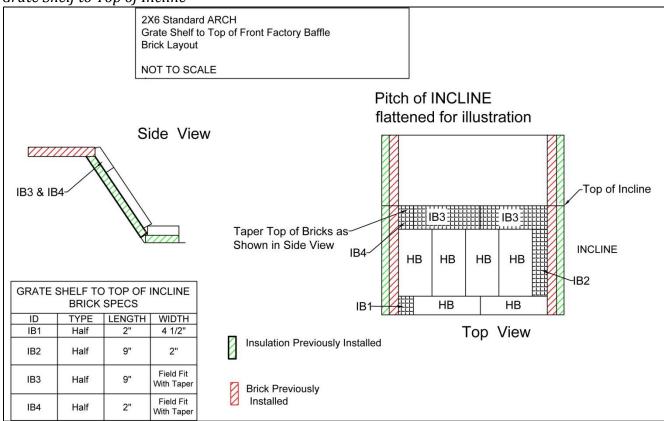
#### PROPER ORIENTATION OF GRATES



Grates should be installed so the "V" groove is up. In other words the opening of the "V" will be in a position to catch and fill with ashes.



#### Grate Shelf to Top of Incline



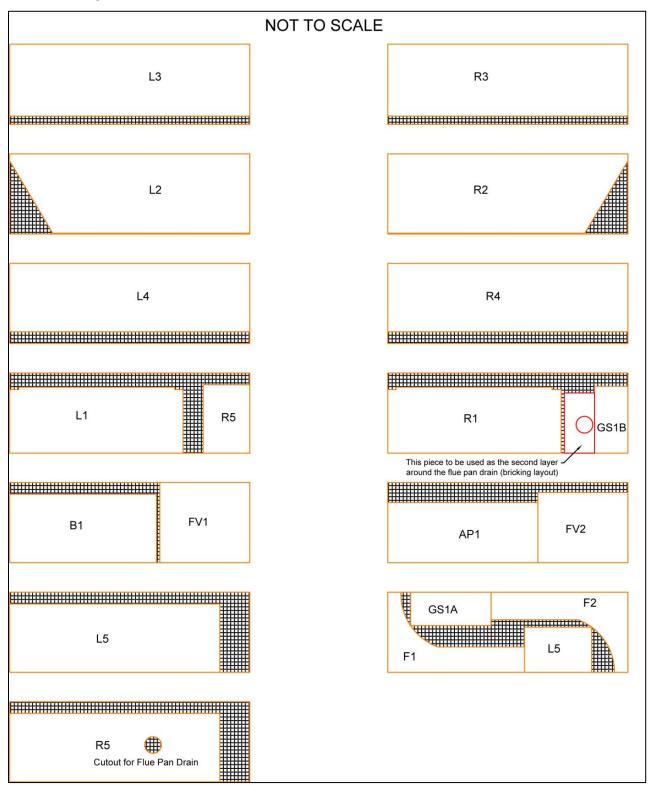
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- 1. INSULATION BOARD
  - a. Front
  - b. Left Side
  - c. Right Side
  - d. Back
  - e. Rear Grate Shelf to Top of Incline
  - f. Ash Pit Rear
  - 2. BRICKING
    - a. Floor behind Top of Incline
    - b. Left Side
    - c. Right Side
    - d. Back
    - e. Ash Pit Rear
    - f. Install the Grates
    - g. Front
    - h. Grate Shelf to Top of Incline

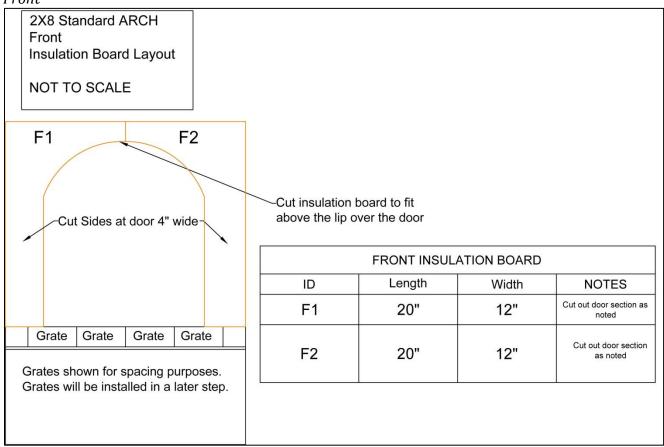
# Insulation Board

# Cut Out Diagram

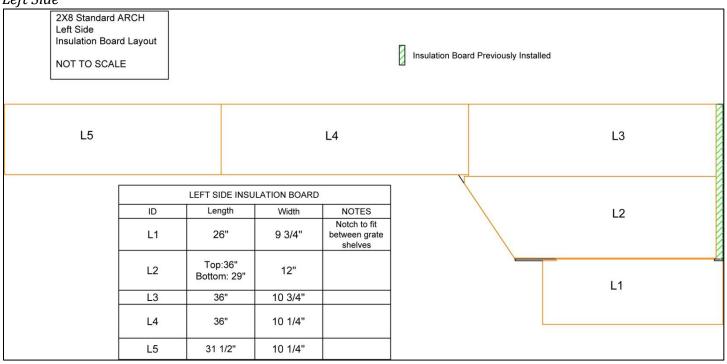
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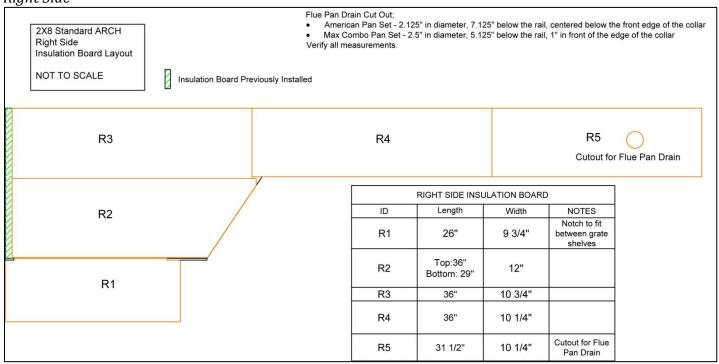
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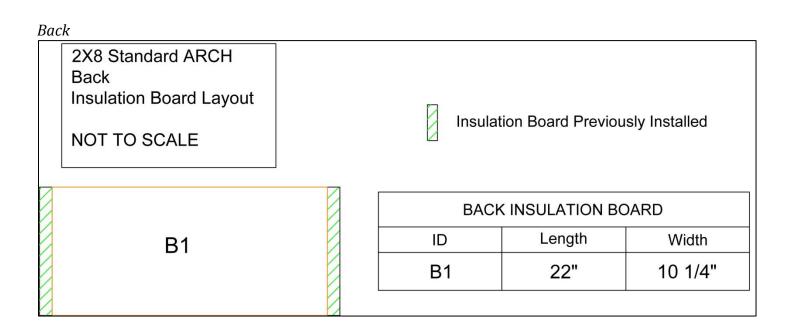


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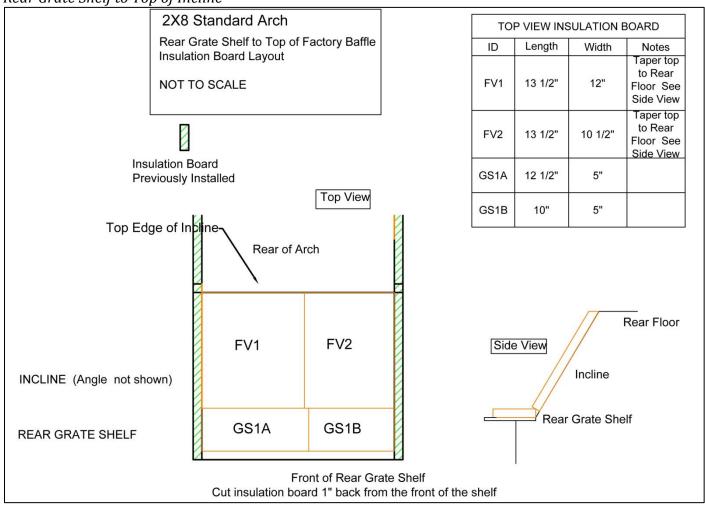


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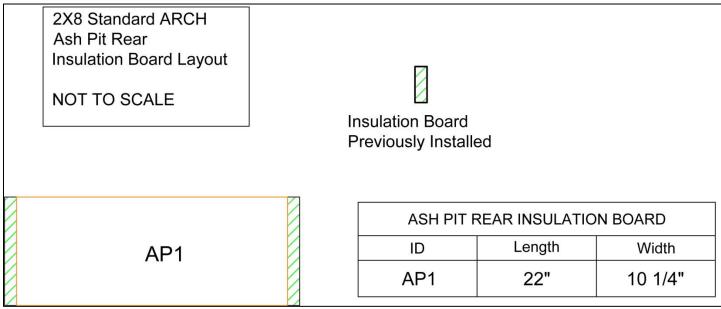




Rear Grate Shelf to Top of Incline



Ash Pit Rear

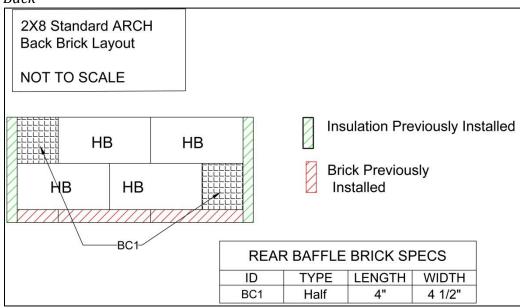


# <u>Bricking</u>

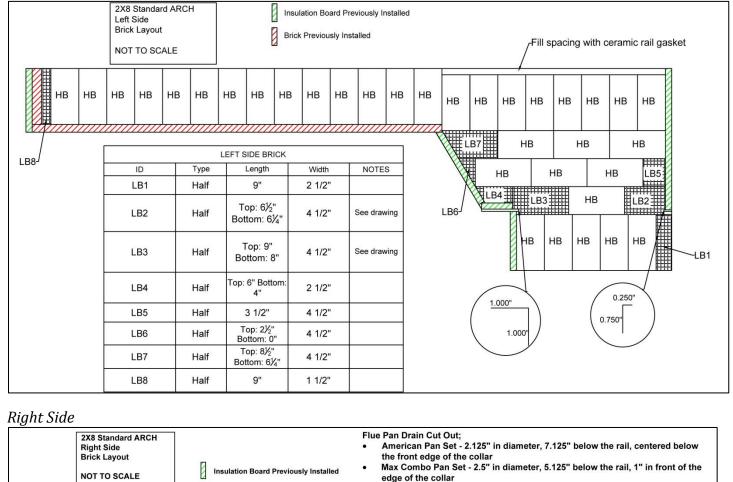
### Floor behind Top of Incline

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нв	FB	FB	FB	НВ	Not To Scale						
НВ	FB	FB	FB	HB	Insulation Board Previously Installed						
нв	FB	FB	FB	НВ	ASH PIT REAR BRICK ID TYPE LENGTH WIDTH RF1 Half 6 1/2" 4 1/2"						
нв	FB	FB	FB	НВ	RF2 Full 6 1/2" 4 1/2"						
НВ	FB	FB	FB	НВ							
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FRONT C	RONT OF ARCH Top of Incline										

Back



#### Left Side



Verify all measurements.

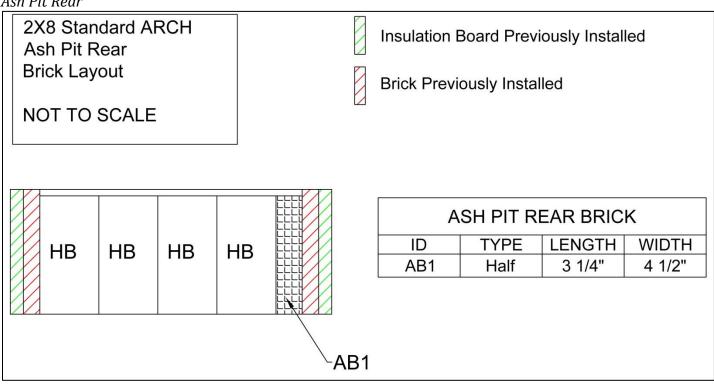
Fill spacing with ceramic rail gasket  $\sim$ 

**Brick Previously Installed** 

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	b.750" RB6 Half Top: 2½" 4 1/2"																			
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RB8

Ash Pit Rear



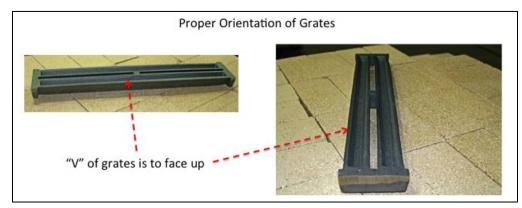
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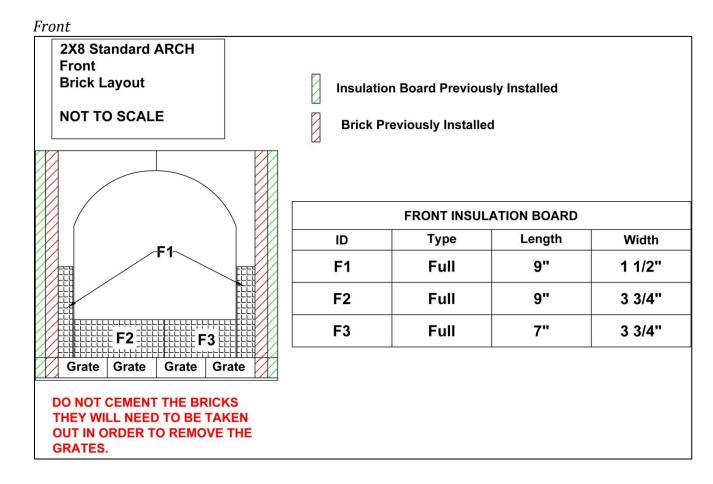
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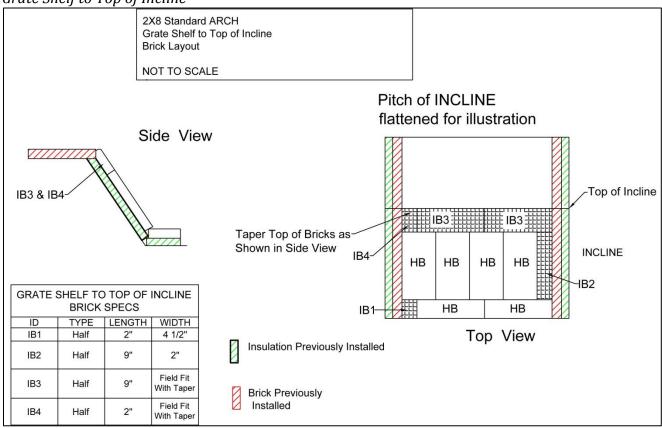
#### PROPER ORIENTATION OF GRATES



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### Grate Shelf to Top of Incline



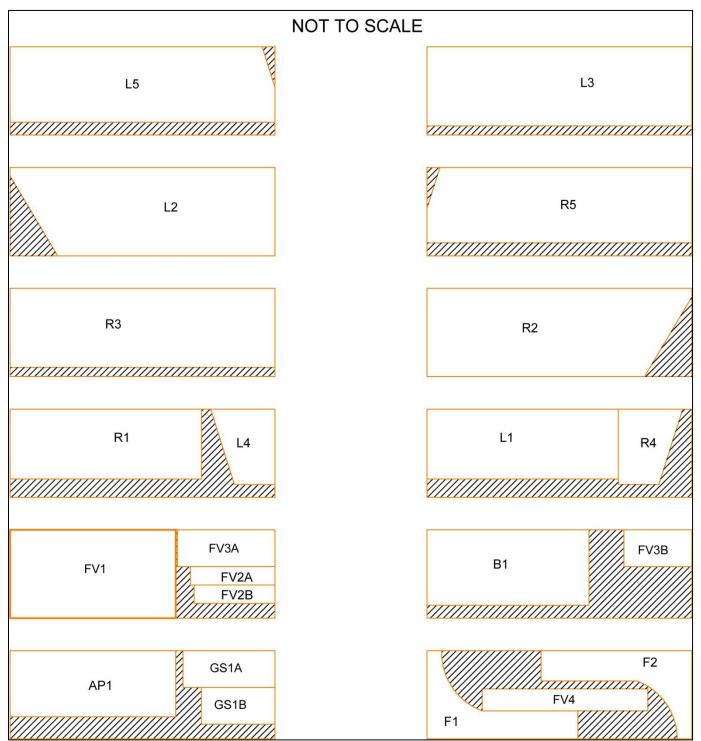
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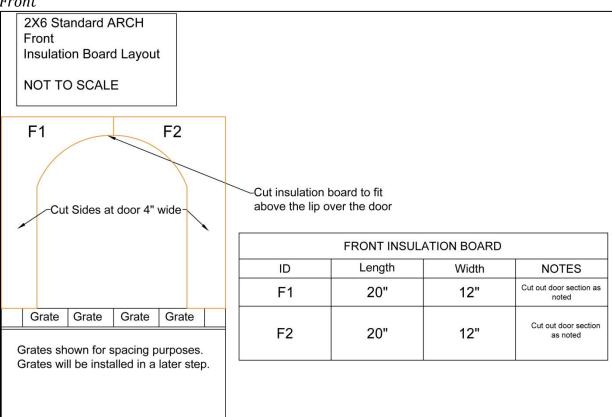
- 1. INSULATION BOARD
  - a. Front
  - b. Left Side
  - c. Right Side
  - d. Back
  - e. Ash Pit Rear
  - f. Rear Grate Shelf to Top of Factory Baffle
  - 2. BRICKING
    - a. Floor behind Top of Incline
    - b. Left Side
    - c. Right Side
    - d. Back
    - e. Ash Pit Rear
    - f. Install the Grates
    - g. Front
    - h. Grate Shelf to Top of Incline
    - i. Rear Baffle
    - j. Baffle Area Completion

# Cut Out Diagram

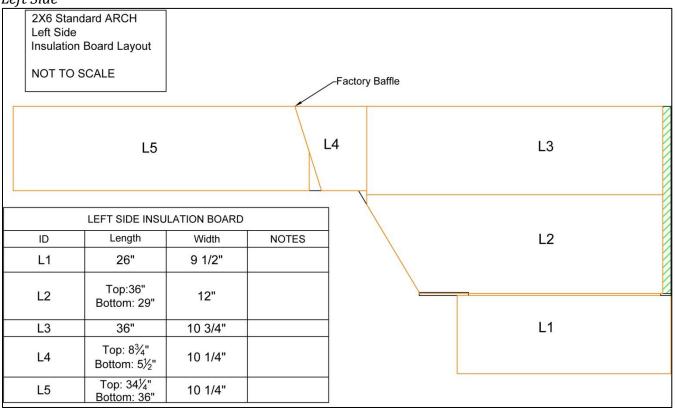
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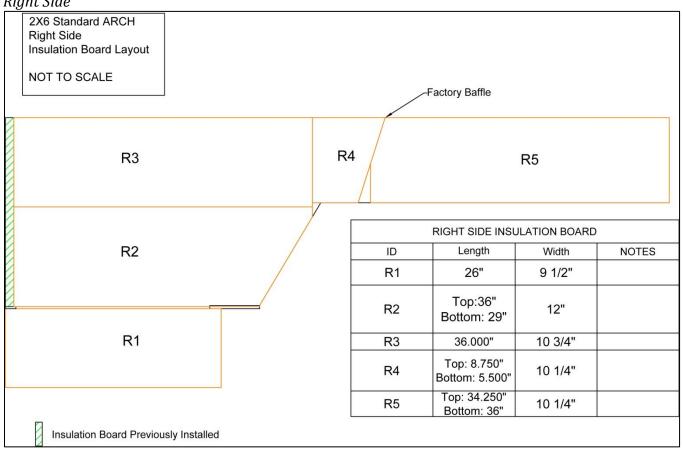


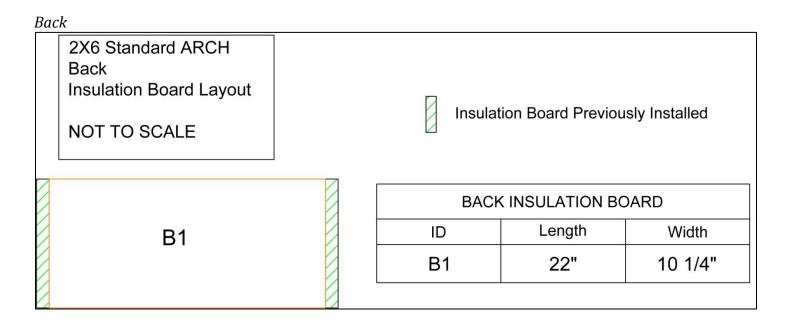




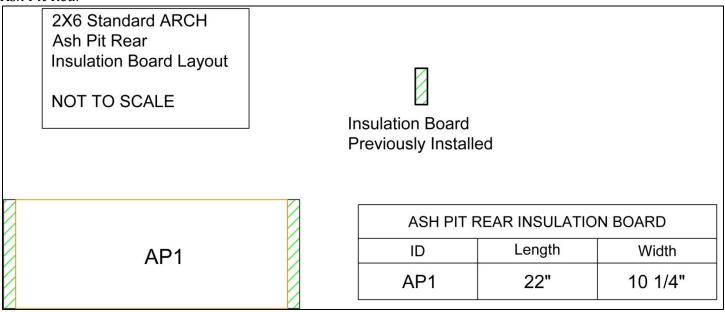


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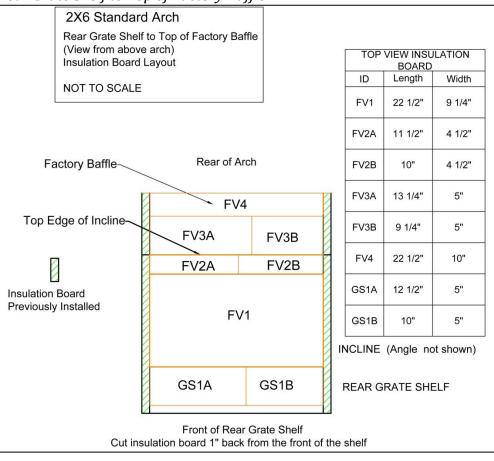




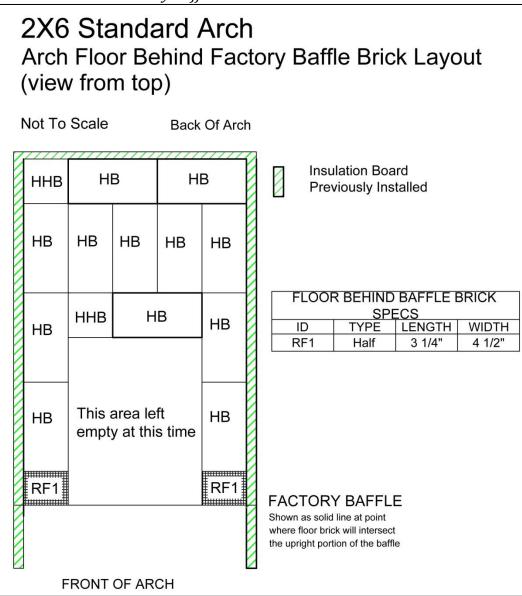
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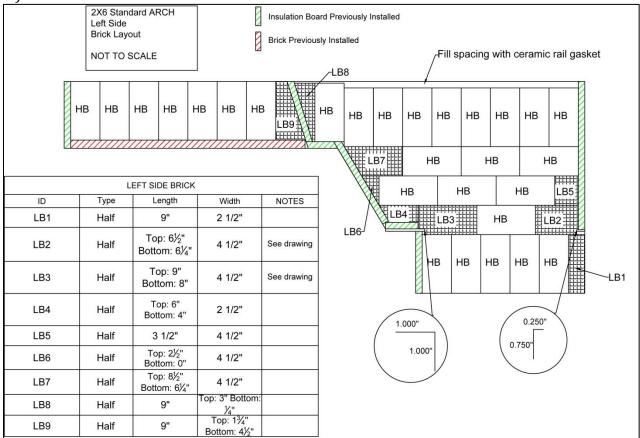
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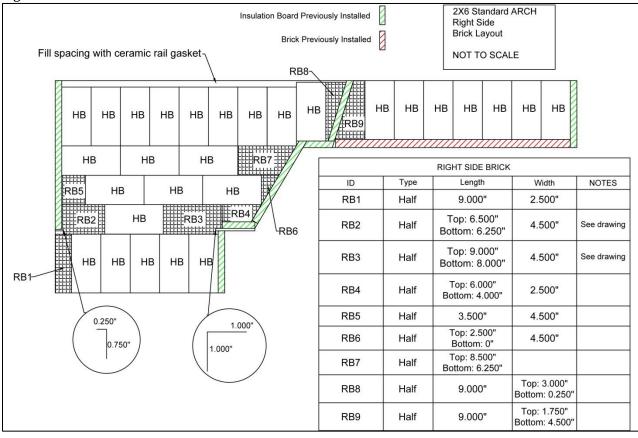
Arch Floor Behind Factory Baffle

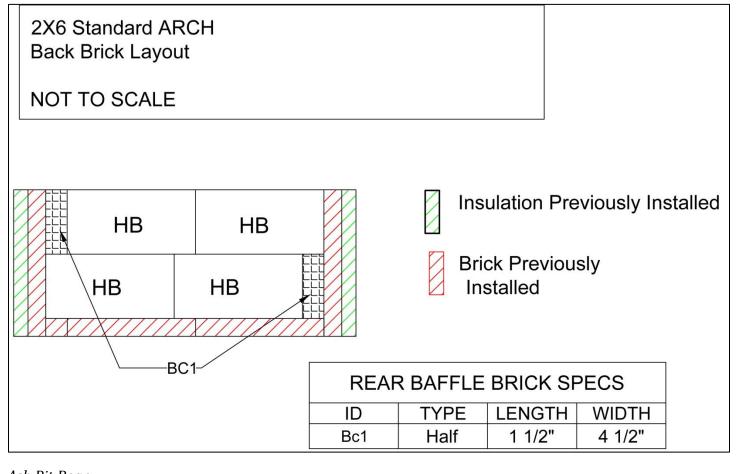


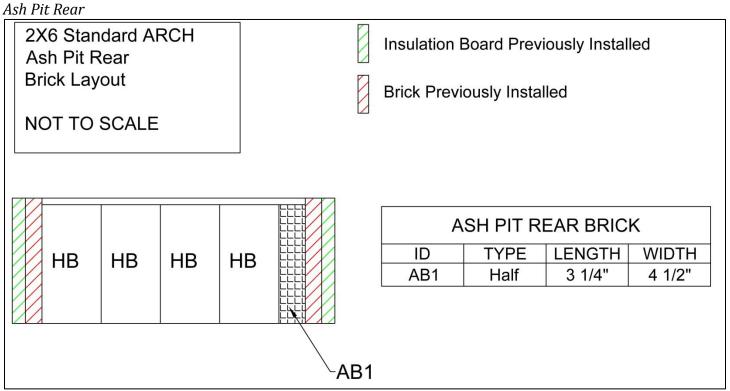
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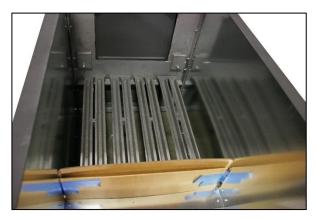


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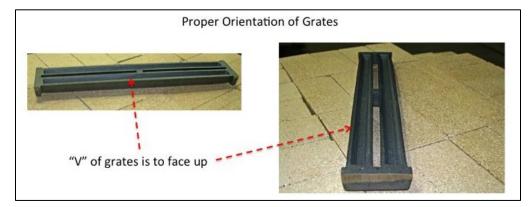




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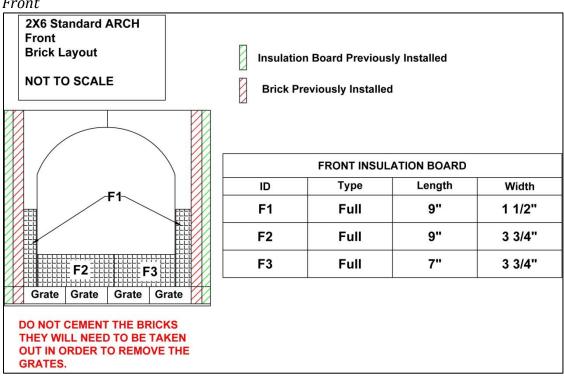
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### **PROPER ORIENTATION OF GRATES**

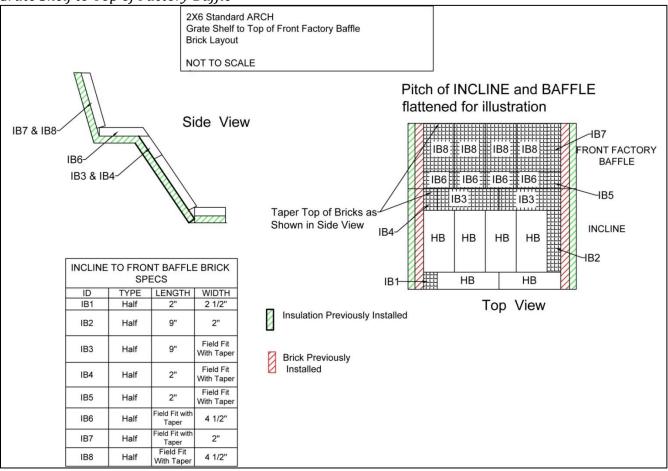


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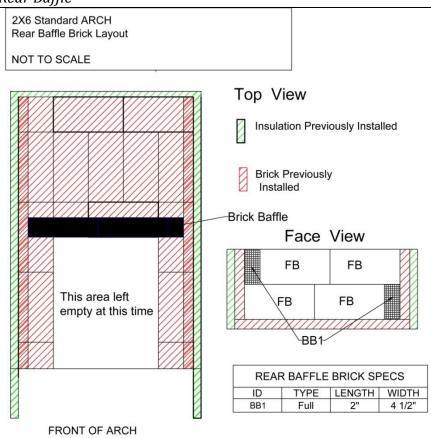




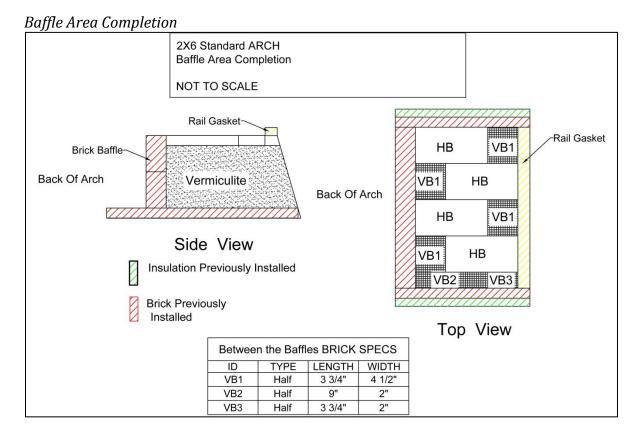
# Grate Shelf to Top of Factory Baffle



### Rear Baffle



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As an option insulation board can be used in place of the bricks over the Vermiculite. If insulation board is used, fill the Vermiculite area up to 1" below the arch rail. When purchasing materials, add one sheet of insulation board and reduce the half bricks by 5.

NOTE: Place rail gasket shown prior to installing the flue pan. Lay a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " rail gasket along the top of the factory installed baffle from one side of the arch to the other (between the rail gasket on the arch rails).

# Insulating a 2X8 Arch

The order of insulation is as follows:

- 1. INSULATION BOARD
  - a. Front
  - b. Left Side
  - c. Right Side
  - d. Back
  - e. Ash Pit Rear
  - f. Rear Grate Shelf to Top of Factory Baffle

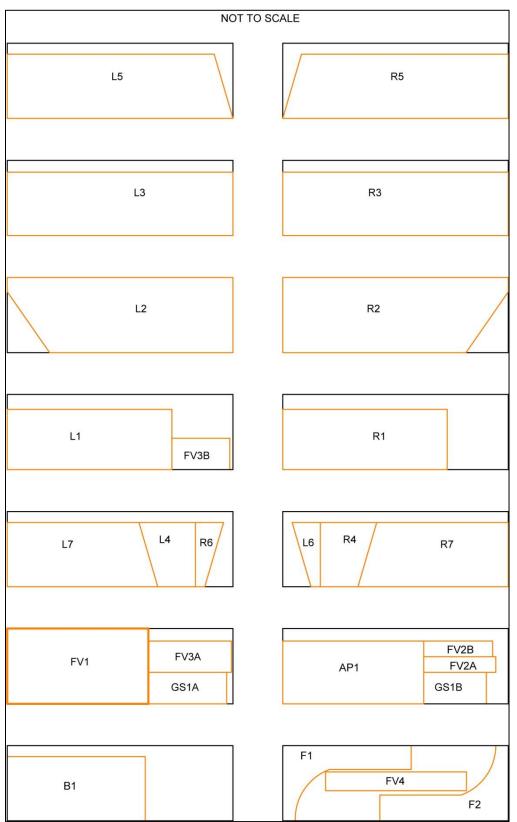
### 2. BRICKING

- a. Rear Floor from Front Factory Baffle
- b. Left Side
- c. Right Side
- d. Back
- e. Ash Pit
- f. Install Grates
- g. Front
- h. Rear Grate Shelf to Top of Front Factory Baffle
- i. Behind Rear Factory Baffle
- j. Baffle Area Completion

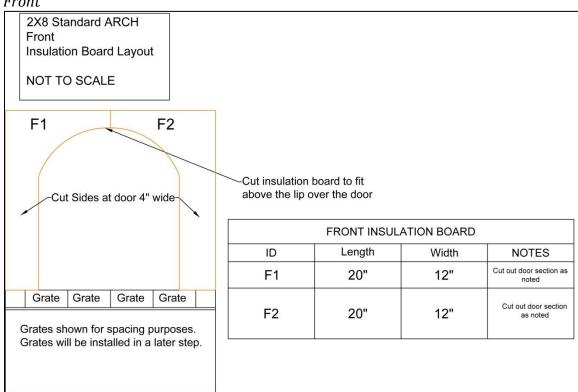
# Insulation Board

# Cut Out Diagram

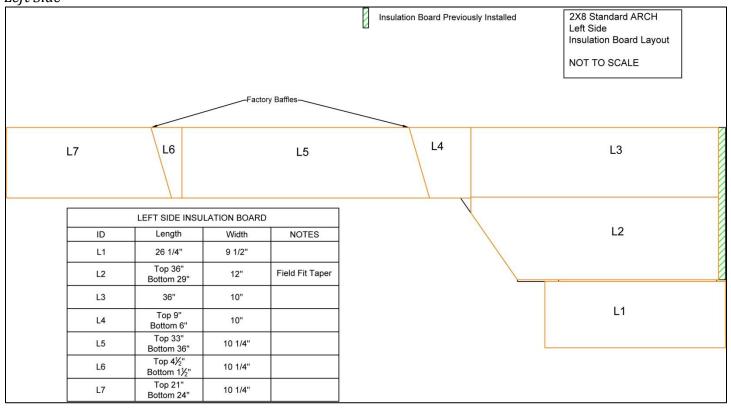
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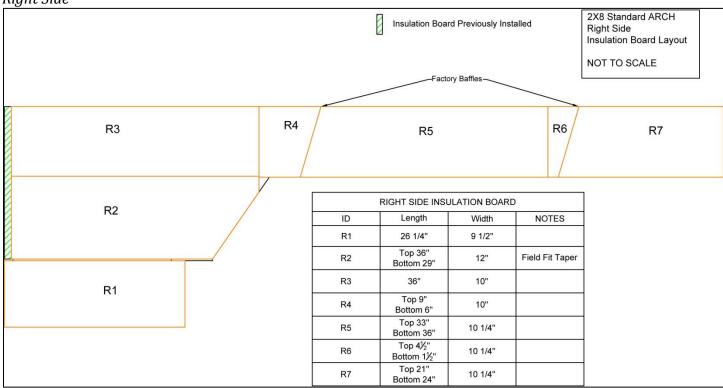
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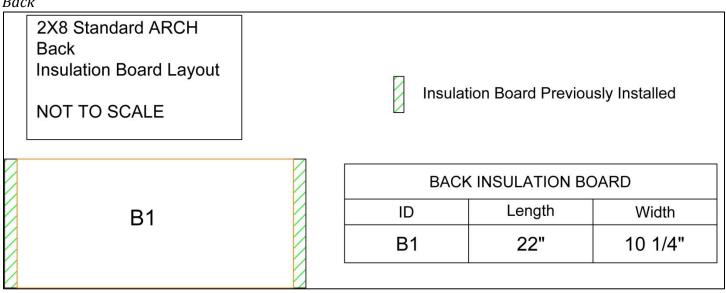
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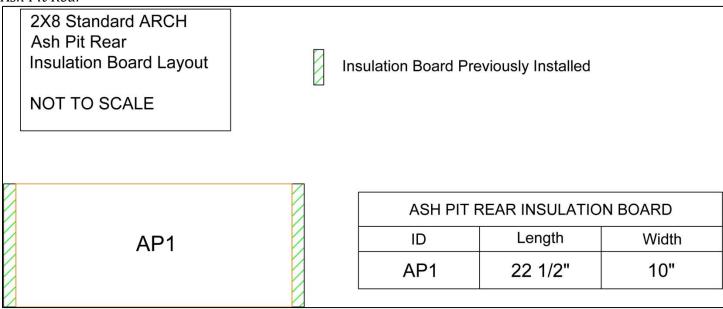




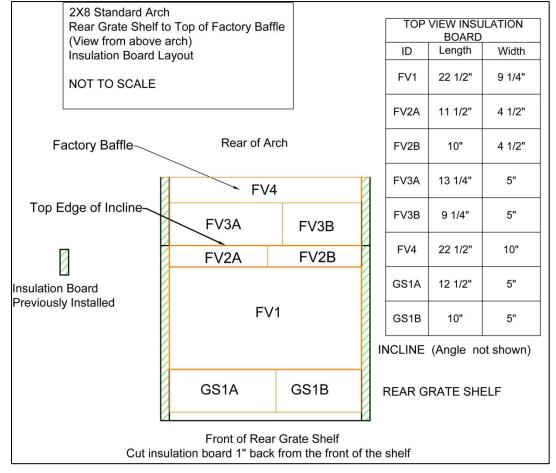
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### Ash Pit Rear

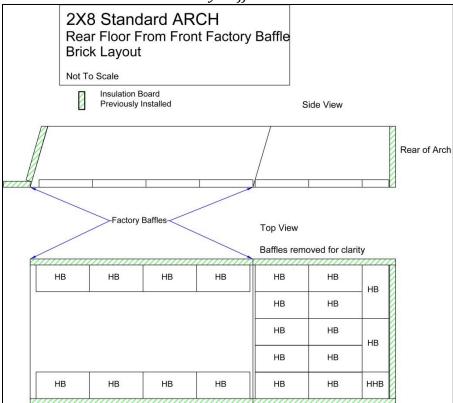


## Rear Grate Shelf to Top of Front Factory Baffle

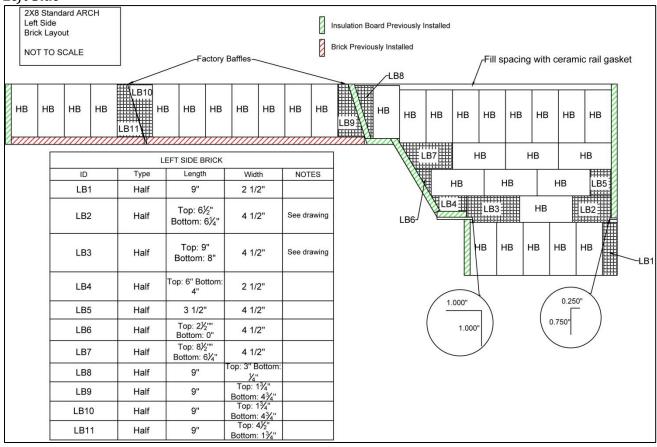


## <u>Bricking</u>

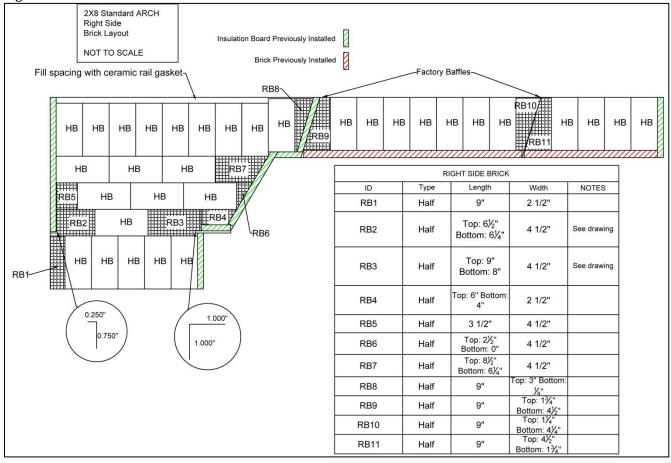
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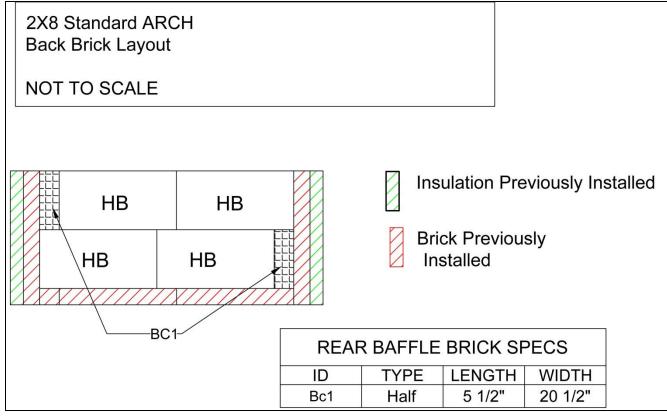
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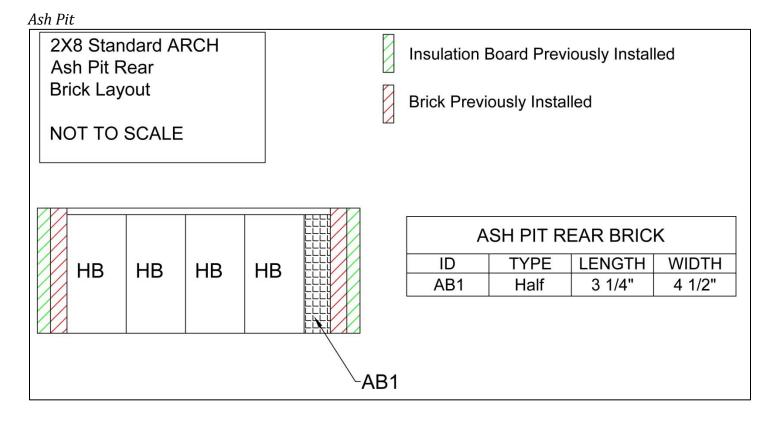


#### Right Side



#### Back





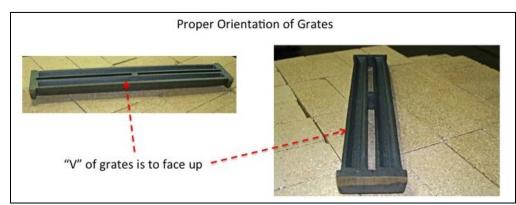
# Install the Grates



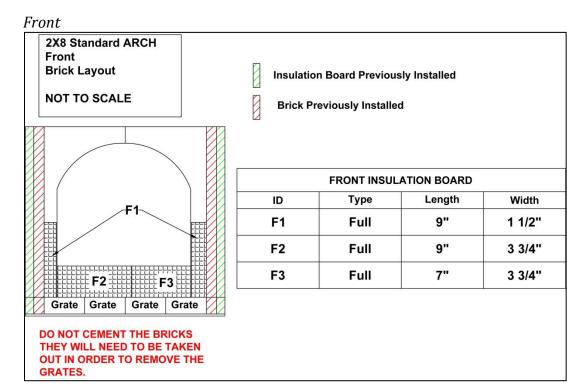
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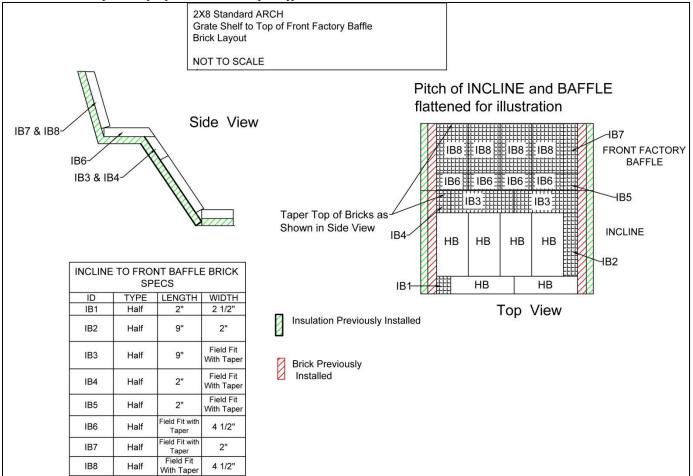
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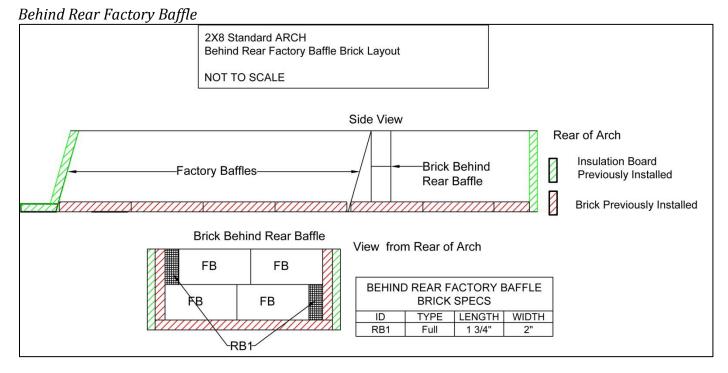


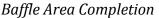
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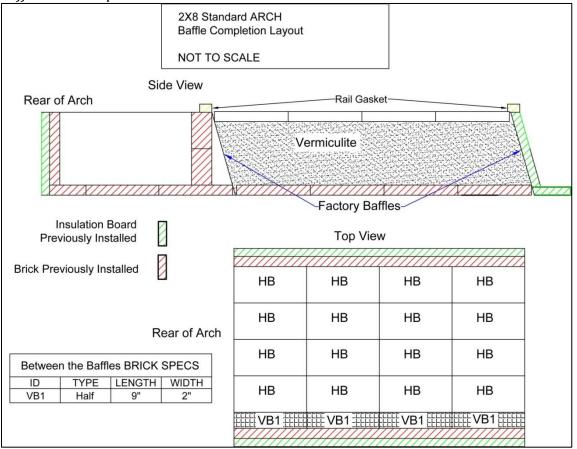


Rear Grate Shelf to Top of Front Factory Baffle









As an option insulation board can be used in place of the bricks over the Vermiculite. If insulation board is used, fill the Vermiculite area up to 1" below the arch rail. When purchasing materials, add two sheets of insulation board and reduce the half bricks by 16.

NOTE: Place rail gasket shown prior to installing the flue pan. Lay a  $\frac{3}{2}$ " rail gasket along the top of the factory installed baffles from one side of the arch to the other (between the rail gasket on the arch rails).

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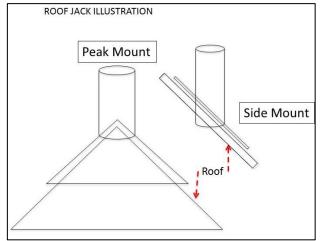
# **INSTALL TAPER AND STACK**

A roof jack should be installed prior to setting up your taper and stack. Leader Evaporator recommends a water tight roof jack for the evaporator. Leader Evaporator offers two styles of roof jack; water tight or with collar in either a peak or side mount.

In order to determine your requirements you will need to know where you will penetrate the roof with the stack and the pitch of your roof.

## **Roof Penetration and the Type of Roof Jack:**

- a. Obtain a plumb bob with sufficient line to reach from the roof to the stack collar of the arch.
- b. Run the plumb bob from the center of the stack collar to the roof, moving the roof point until the plumb bob is properly positioned. Ensure there are no bends in the line caused by other items.



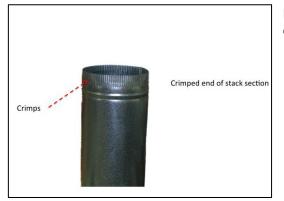
- c. If the plumb bob line end is at the peak of the roof
  order a Leader peak mount roof jack. If the plumb bob line end is at the side of the roof order a Leader side mount roof jack.
- d. Prior to taking down the plumb bob, mark the inside of the roof, as this will be used when making the roof penetration for the stack or installation of the roof jack.
- e. Roof penetration:
  - When installing a roof jack refer to the <u>LEADER CUSTOMIZED ROOF JACK</u> document. If not using a roof jack, make a hole at the point marked on the inside of the roof in the previous step. Mark the roof a minimum of 2" out from and around the template. Refer to the applicable governmental regulations as to minimum clearances required dependent on materials of roof construction.

## Install the Taper and Stack

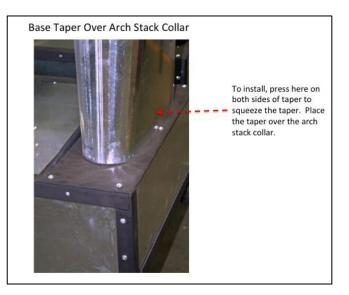
NOTE: It is recommended you install all supplied exhaust stack, as a minimum. Additional stack may be required to ensure proper draft.

Draft is correct when:

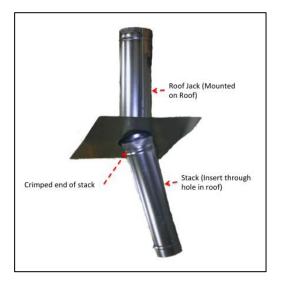
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- The fire door is open the flame, sparks, etc. are drawn toward the rear of the arch.

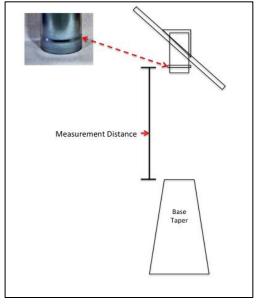


NOTE: When working with stack sections, recognize that the crimped end of the stack section is the upper / top section.



 Place the base taper on the arch stack collar. If you have difficulty placing the base taper onto the collar, squeeze the base taper by pressing on the long sides at the base.





## 2. If a roof jack is used,

- a. Insert one piece of stack into the roof jack until it is a lightly wedged. The Leader style roof jack is tapered from larger to smaller. The end to be inserted into the roof jack is the crimped end. NOTE: You will be moving the piece of stack back down by approximately 2 ½" when you connect to the next stack section so ensure it will be able to move.
- b. Measure from the top of the taper to the bead at the bottom of the stack section in the roof jack.
- c. Determine the number of lengths of stack required by dividing the measurement taken in inches by 34".
  - For example if the measurement was 68", then 68" ÷ 34" = 2 so 2 lengths of stack are required.
  - ii. For example if the measurement was 60", then 60" ÷ 34" = 1.76 lengths of stack are required. This would mean one full length and a length measuring 26" would be required. To obtain the 26" length you can either
  - iii. Special order a piece of stack the length required
  - iv. Cut a standard length of stack to fit. If you cut a length of stack to fit, measure the length from the bead of the stack and cut off the top crimped end.

- 3. Install the stack sections starting from the base taper. Ensure you place the crimped end up when connecting the stack sections.
- 4. When you put the last indoor section in place, lower the stack section from the roof jack (if used) approximately 2 1/2" down onto the top piece of stack, or lower a stack section through the penetration in the roof.
- 5. If a roof jack is used, use all remaining sections of stack by placing the beaded / bottom end over the top of the roof jack.
- 6. Continue installing stack until all pieces have been installed. Ensure you have a good overlap for each stack joint. Overlap will be 2 to 2 ½". It is recommended you screw all sections together using self tapping stainless steel screws.
- 7. Stack above the roof should be guide wired in at least three directions (tripod configuration) to minimize the effects of wind.
  - a. It is recommended you install a stack cover on the last / top section of stack. A closed stack cover will minimize the rain and moisture entering the stack and arch. When installing a stack cover refer to the <u>LEADER STACK COVER</u> document.

### THE FIRST BOIL

The first boil is done to remove any residual materials from the pans and to "season" the bricking and insulation.

- 1. Fill the flue pan and syrup pan with a baking soda : water mix (1 pound:200 gallons) to a level of 2 to 3 inches.
- 2. Check all fittings for leakage. If there is no leakage, insulate around the flue drain with rail gasket material.
- 3. To season the bricking, start by building a small fire in the fire box and very gradually build to a normal fire.
- 4. Boil the solution for approximately 30 minutes. Watch the boil carefully and replenish the solution as needed to ensure the solution in the pans remains at the 2 to 3 inch level.
- 5. Check all equipment:
  - a. No leaks at connections and valves
  - b. Pans are boiling evenly
  - c. Valves work properly
  - d. Draft is correct

Draft is correct when:

- The boil is the same in the syrup pan front-to-back and side-to-side
- The fire door is open the flame, sparks, etc. are drawn toward the rear of the arch.
- 6. Drain the solution after the evaporator has cooled. CAUTION ensure the equipment is cool enough to be safely handled for draining.
- 7. Check the interior of the arch to ensure insulation and bricking are in place.
- 8. Refill the pans to the 2 to 3 inch level with clean unsoftened, non chlorinated well or spring water.
- 9. Boil for 30 minutes then after the evaporator has cooled, drain the pans. CAUTION ensure the equipment is cool enough to be safely handled for draining.

# **OPERATING THE EVAPORATOR**

NOTE: When operating the evaporator be cautious of hazards such as hot surfaces, hot liquids, sparks, and exposed flames.

NOTE: You must be aware at all times of the level of sap in all compartments of the pans. If the level drops too low you can and will damage your pans. If there is too much foam you risk damaging your pans.

NOTE: If you have purchased a scoop or skimmer, do NOT use them to push sap through the evaporator. Doing so will change the gradient in the evaporator.

- 1. Check the evaporator
  - a. Make sure all sap sources are flowing freely i.e. not frozen.
  - b. Open hood thimbles and drains, cupolas and stack covers.
  - c. Ensure defoamer is usable.
  - d. Ensure all fittings are tight.
  - e. Make sure all valves are working properly and the float is properly positioned.
  - f. Clean the flues with the flue brush every 8 to 12 hours of boiling. NOTE: The rod supplied with the arch has a threaded end. The flue brush can be screwed onto the rod to clean the flues.
  - g. Ensure the open area in the grates is clean and free of material. Do not remove ashes from the "V" grooves of the grates.
  - h. Remove the ashes from below the grates.

# **DAILY SHUTDOWN**

- 1. There are two factors influencing the shutdown of the evaporator; time and sap volume.
  - a. It will require approximately 30 minutes to 1 hour from the last firing to bring the fire down to embers (coals on the grates) in a wood fired arch.
  - b. It will require a volume of sap from the last firing to embers and to flood the arch so ensure there is adequate volume left prior to the last firing.
- 2. Continue to monitor the arch as done for normal operations.
- 3. When there is no more boil in either the flue or the syrup pans and the fire is down to coals on the grates (in a wood fired arch), add sap until the pans are at a depth of 2". This is done by holding the float down or by adjusting the float handles and lowering it. If the sap remaining does not cover the pans to the 2" depth then add clean, unsoftened, non-chlorinated well or spring water until the depth is reached.

NOTE: The extra sap depth is required as the insulation of the arch (ex. bricks) will hold heat and continue the evaporation process until the heat has been dissipated.

## MAINTENANCE

**Daily** – prior to performing maintenance make sure the surfaces have been cooled.

- 1. Remove spills and splashes from the pans by wiping with hot water.
- 2. Clean out the ash chamber and the slots in the grates NOT the "V" grooves of the grates.
- 3. Check all fittings for leakage. Repair / replace as necessary.

### Periodic

- 1. Using the supplied brush and rod, brush the underside of the flue pan to remove accumulated material. Cleaning will allow the heat to better reach the sap in the pan.
- 2. Inspect the rail gasket and pan gasket for areas where heat and smoke maybe escaping. Replace if necessary.

## **Beginning Of Season Startup**

- 1. Ensure all ashes or embers have been cleaned out.
- 2. Open stack cover.
- 3. Inspect bricks and mortar joints and repair as necessary.
- 4. Inspect smoke stack for any holes or other issues and replace as necessary.

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# NOTES