

# Concrete Bowl Manual



**Please Note:** You are responsible for making sure **Important Concrete Bowl Information:**

that the designated installation site for your concrete bowl is capable of supporting the combined weight of the bowl and its contents. You are solely responsible for the transport, installation, and maintenance of the bowl after delivery. Fireplace Doors Online and its affiliates cannot be held liable for damages outside the scope of delivery.

**Use Of Concrete Bowl:** Fireplace Doors Online concrete bowls are designed for use as a planter. We do not guarantee that bowls will not crack due to use with natural gas or propane fire burners and associated components. Creating a fire feature out of your concrete bowl is done at your own risk – Fireplace Doors Online will not be liable for any damages caused by fire and/or misuse of burner and accessories. Spider-web cracks are a natural occurrence on concrete bowls due to weather and temperature changes, and are not covered by the warranty.

**Local Fire Codes:** Contact your local code enforcement agency to determine the appropriate codes for fire features in your area before purchasing a concrete fire bowl. Every state, county, township, and municipality has their own guidelines. Fireplace Doors Online will not accept returns on any fire related feature based on failure to confirm and abide by local fire codes.

**Cleaning Your Bowl:** Simply wipe down your concrete bowl using a solution of 1 part vinegar to 4 parts water. If areas with excess dirt exist, use a soft bristled brush to gently scrub the area, then rinse with clean water. Let the bowl sit for 24 hours before placing a concrete sealer over the surface. Once the bowl has been thoroughly cleaned and sealed, let it sit out in the sun to dry and cure for at least 24 hours.

- Concrete bowls **are not fire rated**. Therefore, an acquired fire ring or burner needs to sit:
  - no more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  – 1 inch below the top of the bowl
  - no less than 6 inches away from the inside of the bowl
- **NEVER** burn wood in a concrete bowl.
- If you plan on utilizing your concrete bowl for a planter, please note that it is not designed to *hold* water. Proper drainage holes must be configured, and the bowl must be sealed with a concrete sealer.
- Always use only fire rated material inside the bowls, such as lava rock or fire glass.
- If there is snow on the ground, make sure the bowl is not sitting in water, is drained properly, and remains covered during the winter season.
- For optimal care of your concrete bowl, apply a concrete sealer every 1-2 years.

**Important Safety Information:**

- Fire features must have a 3 foot (36 inch) clearance from the outside edge to any combustible surface, material, or construction.
- Fire features must be installed in a well-ventilated area. Do NOT install under a roof or tree, or on a deck.
- Do NOT operate a fire feature in windy conditions.
- Allow your fire feature to completely cool prior to placing a protective vinyl cover over it.
- The installation and provision for combustion must conform with local codes and/or in the absence of local codes, with the National Fuel Gas Code: ANSI Z223.1

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## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

**PLEASE NOTE:** The burner ring should sit no deeper than ½ – 1 inch below the top of the bowl, and no less than 6 inches away from the inside of the bowl!

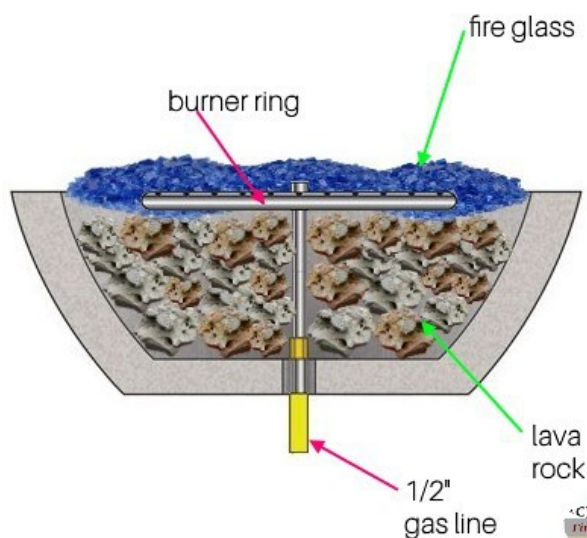
### Match Lit Installation:

1. After threading your gas line, use lava rock (approximately 1/4-1/2" chunks) or pea gravel to fill the lower area of the bowl up to 1/2-1 inch below the top (lip).
2. Center the burner ring on top of the lava rock or gravel (no less than 6 inches from the sides).
3. Place decorative fire glass or more lava rock on top of the burner assembly to complete the look of your bowl.

### AWEIS Installation:

1. After threading your gas line and installing the AWEIS control box, connection, and igniter/heat shield assembly, use lava rock (approximately 1/4-1/2" chunks) or pea gravel to fill the lower area of the bowl up to 1/2-1 inch below the top (lip).
2. Center burner ring on top of the heat shield (no less than 6 inches from the sides).
3. Place decorative fire glass or more lava rock on top of the burner assembly to complete the look of your bowl.

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