

SAFETY

Read and understand this installation and operating manual as well as the controls manual before operating your kiln. If you have any questions please contact Evenheat Kiln at 989-856-2281 or at evenheat-kiln.com.

Kilns are as safe as any other electrical appliance when used under normal and proper operating conditions. To create and maintain this safe environment observe all safety precautions.

Warning Symbol Descriptions

Warning symbols are used throughout this manual. These symbols alert the operator to certain hazards and important information. Pictured below are symbols used along with a description of each.



The Exclamation Point alerts you to particular cautions, hazards and information.



The Lightning Bolt alerts you to specific information regarding the risk of electric shock. Electric shock may result in injury or death.



The Heat Waves alert you to specific information regarding the risk of burn injury.

Emergency Shut Off Provision



The kilns power supply connection (plug/receptacle, breaker or disconnect) acts as the emergency electrical power shut off. Access to these devices should be unobstructed and safe at all times.

All electrical installations for direct wired models (those without a plug/receptacle connection) must include a power disconnect near the kiln and that is easily accessible and safe for emergency power shutoff.

Electrical Safety



A licensed electrician should be used for all electrical installation and service. All applicable local, state and federal electrical codes must be followed.

Use correct voltage, wire size and fuse or breakers. Kiln electrical requirements are located on the kiln nameplate. Make sure all electrical connections are tight. Avoid using aluminum wire.

Always use the proper electrical receptacle. Never alter the kiln cordset or cordset plug. Alterations can be dangerous. Alterations will void any warranties along with nullifying any Listing Agency markings.



Evenheat recommends that a voltage check be performed before placing the kiln into service, ideally before actual purchase. Operating voltage varies. The kilns operating voltage (printed on the kilns nameplate) must match the applied voltage (actual electrical service voltage). If it does not, do not install or operate the kiln as potential electrical and fire hazards exist. Contact Evenheat for guidance in such cases.

The kiln must be properly grounded.



Unplug or disconnect the kiln from the electrical service before accessing the chamber for servicing or vacuuming. Do not attempt to touch or replace the heating elements while the kiln is plugged in or connected to the electrical service. Electric shock may result in serious injury or death.

Never, ever use an extension cord to operate a kiln.

Kiln Location Safety

The best location for the Fishbone is a non-combustible work surface.



Do not place or use kiln on combustible surface.

The surface on which the kiln is placed shall be capable of safely supporting the combined weight of the kiln, kiln load and any operating personnel.

Observe all building, fire and safety codes when installing the kiln.

Do not install the kiln closer than 12" (31cm) from combustible wall surface or object or 36" from any ceiling surface in all opened and closed positions.

Install in a covered, well ventilated area.

Never place the kiln in a small, enclosed area such as a closet, cabinet or very small room. The room in which the kiln is placed into service shall be capable of safely dissipating all heat produced by the kiln.

Do not place the kiln in any structure resembling a carport or screened in porch. Avoid areas that are subject to outdoors weather.

Never install a kiln outside. Avoid moisture.

It is the user's responsibility to be knowledgeable regarding any and all contaminants, produced by the ware during firing, and take steps to properly and legally contain and dispose of these contaminants.

It is the user's responsibility to provide ventilation capable of removing all gases, fumes and other airborne contaminants produced by the ware during firing safely from work the area and building structure.



Do not store flammable or combustible products near or in the same room the kiln such as gasoline, paint, aerosol cans, paper, curtains, plastics, etc. Better yet, store these items in another separate structure designed for this purpose.

Position the power supply cables, power supply conduit, controller cables, pyrometer thermocouple leads and other materials in such a way as not to create a tripping hazard around the kiln.

The area around the kiln should be free of obstructions that interfere with the proper and safe operation of the kiln.

Never place anything under or above the kiln for storage. Absolutely nothing should be propped against the kiln.

Kiln Use Safety



The surface of the kiln is hot and burn injuries are possible. Keep all children and unsupervised personnel away. Always wear protective clothing, gloves and eyewear when operating and handling a hot kiln.



Use extreme care when accessing a functioning and/or hot kiln. Although the heating elements of the Fishbone are embedded within the fiber walls, under no circumstances should you touch the heating elements with your body or any other devices like tools. Electrical shock may result in serious injury or death.



Use care when accessing or looking into a hot kiln, this includes looking through a cracked lid or peepholes. High heat escapes quickly and burn injury may result. When accessing or looking into a hot kiln, approach slowly and wear protective clothing and gloves designed to withstand high heat and eyewear capable of filtering Infrared and Ultraviolet light.

Protective clothing should be worn when operating the kiln and includes, but is not limited to, cotton clothing, heat resistant gloves and eyewear capable of filtering Infrared and Ultraviolet light.

Do not operate the kiln over the maximum temperature rating printed on the nameplate.

Never fire a kiln unattended beyond its anticipated firing time.

Never allow the power cord to touch the kiln. If the cord, plug or receptacle become damaged discontinue use and replace immediately.

It is recommended that a fire extinguisher, capable of dousing an electrical fire, be accessible in the event of fire. Smoke detectors within the kiln room are also recommended.

Keep the kiln door closed when not in use.



It is the user's responsibility to have knowledge of the material intended to be fired. If you are unsure as to the safety of firing a particular material contact your materials supplier for guidance. If you remain unsure as to the safety of firing a particular material do not do it. Firing hazards include materials that explode or produce toxic gases. Finished ware hazards include materials containing lead. Materials containing lead should not be used for articles intended for food use.

Fire all ware according to the material manufacturer's instructions. Improper firing may result in damage to the kiln or ware.

Do not use the kiln to prepare food, heat a living space, dry clothes or ice laden articles or use as a storage devise. The kiln is designed for one purpose and one purpose only: the firing of glass materials.

A kiln will remain very hot long after the firing is complete. All safety recommendations should be followed, even with the kiln unpowered, to avoid any burn injuries. Keep children and other unauthorized personnel away.

When firing is complete, and during periods of non-use, remove power from the kiln by unplugging or by throwing the disconnect or breakers to the OFF position.

Kiln Maintenance Safety



Disconnect electrical power from the kiln before performing any kiln maintenance. Failure to disconnect the electrical power supply may result in electrical shock which can cause serious injury or death.



Replace any worn, damaged or defective parts immediately with Evenheat Kiln replacement parts only. This includes the elemented fiber chamber muffle itself. **If heating elements become exposed, discontinue use immediately and repair before further use.** Discontinue use until parts are replaced.



When vacuuming the kiln use only HEPA filters on the vacuum. Prolonged expose to brick dust and other refractory materials can cause lung injury.

Inspect all electrical service connections periodically for wear.

Fishbone Glass Annealer Features

“Load-n-Go” Bead Annealing Program

The Fishbone is equipped with our Set-Pro, 3 button control and features our “Load-n-Go” Bead Annealing Programs. Load-n-Go allows you to make and load your beads at your pace while keeping the Fishbone at proper temperature. Once you have completed your bead making session a single button push begins the actual anneal portion of the firing. Load-n-Go doesn’t rush you, it’s easy and it’s accurate. Enjoy perfect, stress-free annealing every time.

The Set-Pro control also offers custom programming for those who wish to determine their own annealing temperatures and hold times. Your Fishbone was shipped with separate operating and programming instructions for the Set-Pro control.

Designed to Fit

The Fishbone mandrel rest is designed with 25 teeth, spaced 1/2" apart. This gives you the opportunity to use all the space the Fishbone has to offer.

Deep Chamber

The Fishbone is designed with a 7-1/2" deep chamber allowing for large sculptural pieces. This great depth also allows for a staggered, front to back placement of beads for an even greater number of beads per session.

Two Point Mandrel Rest

The Fishbone sports a two point mandrel rest. The two point rest allows you to suspend your small beads above the fiber floor, it keeps your beads from moving around and it provides a stable base on which to rest. It's very cool.

Mandrel Crown

A Mandrel Crown is placed atop the Fishbone for mandrel drying and storage. It's a very unique and wonderfully useful feature. You'll love it.

Cool Touch Handle

Playing in the heat is fun, trying to avoid isn't. We've designed the Fishbone with a non-metallic, Cool Touch handle that stays cool throughout the annealing process. It's one less thing to worry about in the heat of battle.

Flexible Fiber Door

The Fishbone door is designed with flexible fiber. As the door is closed this flexible fiber forms slightly around the mandrels for a tighter seal while providing even more stability to the beaded mandrel.

Solid Floor

The Fishbone uses a solid floor to offer a flat and texture free surface to rest your beads upon. The solid floor also acts as a heat regulator by smoothing out radical swings in temperature resulting in very tight and accurate temperature control.

Attractive Powder Coat Finish

The Fishbone is finished in an appealing powder coat finish. Powder coating is a finishing method that provides great looks with greater protection against scuffs and scratches than paint. Powder coating has the added advantage of being environmentally friendly to apply.

Embedded Heating Elements

The heating elements of the Fishbone are completely embedded within the fiber chamber for safety.

Standard Household Plug

The Fishbone operates from a standard household plug which makes choice of placement easy and convenient.

Kiln Setup and Placement

Kiln Location

Place your Fishbone on a work surface that offers a level, non combustible surface. The Fishbone should be placed no closer than 12" from any wall or 36" from any ceiling surface in all opened and closed positions. All flammable and combustible materials should be removed from the kiln area. Enjoy your kiln safely.

Your Fishbone has been shipped with a 13" x 6.5" shelf/floor. Place this shelf/floor into the Fishbone firing chamber so it sits flat upon the fiber blanket floor. This shelf/floor is provided to offer a flat, texture free support for your finished beads as well as regulating temperature swings for very accurate and precise annealing.

Kiln Operation

Plugging In the Kiln

Throw the kiln control panel power switch down to the OFF position. Plug the Fishbone power plug into your standard household outlet. As the Fishbone requires 12A/120V to operate it should be the only device plugged into the circuit. We have designed the Fishbone's power cable to run straight out the back of the control panel: mainly to keep it out of your way but also to help keep it away from the kiln itself. Once you plug it in make sure the power cable is not touching the kiln.

Pre Fire

Evenheat suggests that you perform a test fire with your new kiln before putting it into service.

A pre fire gives you an opportunity to become familiar with the features and functions of the kiln before committing to an actual firing. It also allows your element to form a protective oxide barrier. A light lubricant was used in the production of your heating element. The pre fire will burn this off, almost immediately! You may notice a light smoke as this occurs. It's normal.

A separate control manual is included on the manuals disc included with your kiln. Refer to these manual(s) for controls programming instructions. We suggest running any of the Load-n-Go programs for your pre fire.

As the Fishbone runs the annealing program, you will notice audible clicks. These clicks are made by the control relay turning the heating element on and off and it's a normal and welcome sound.

We would encourage you to repeat this pre fire procedure if you've never fired a kiln of this design before. You won't hurt anything. Kilns are wonderful machines and they're even more wonderful when you know what to expect and how to work them.



Scan this QR code to view instructional programming videos for both the Evenheat Set-Pro and Rampmaster controls.

You will also find these instructional videos and manuals on our web site www.evenheat-kiln.com

Firing the Fishbone

Evenheat recommends using the Load-n-Go programming for your bead annealing. Load-n-Go programs have been professionally developed specifically for your glass COE and bead size. For firing specifics please see the included Set-Pro control manual found on the disc provided. You will also find this manual at www.evenheat-kiln.com.

Loading the Fishbone

Begin your chosen Load-n-Go program and allow the Fishbone to come up to temperature. Once the Fishbone is at temperature you may begin to load your beads as you make them.



Lift the door of the Fishbone and place your glass laden mandrel on the mandrel rest as shown. Once you have loaded the beaded mandrel, close the door. Repeat this procedure for each bead you make. It should be noted that except for the loading and unloading of individual beaded mandrels, the door on the Fishbone should remain closed. So, closed at all times except when loading or unloading.

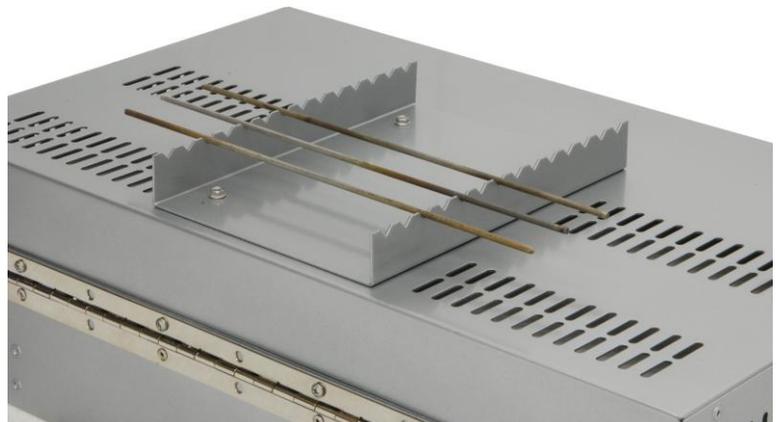
When the annealing program is complete throw the Fishbone power switch to the Off position and allow the Fishbone to cool to room temperature. Once at room temperature you may unload your beads.

The Mandrel Crown™

The Fishbone is equipped with a very unique and wonderfully useful feature we call the Mandrel Crown™. The mandrel crown is located on the top of the kiln and is provided as a mandrel storage and drying rack. It's that simple.

Use the Mandrel Crown™ to store and dry your mandrels.

During kiln use the mandrel crown and mandrels will become warm.



EVENHEAT KILN, INC.
LIMITED KILN WARRANTY

Evenheat Kiln, Inc. guarantees to the original purchaser that for a period of one full year from the date of purchase the kiln will be free of defects in workmanship and materials when used under normal and proper operating conditions. Evenheat will replace or repair any defective part as specified..

FOR THE WARRANTY TO BE EFFECTIVE THE PURCHASE MUST:

- (1) Provide written proof of date of purchase. (Warranty card sent in at time of purchase.)
- (2) Notify the Evenheat Distributor/Dealer from whom the kiln was purchased, within 10 days after defect has been discovered.
- (3) Make kiln immediately available for inspection.

FOR WARRANTY REPAIRS:

- (1) Warranty repairs should be handled through the Distributor/Dealer from whom the kiln was purchased, who will arrange for any repairs or replacement of parts under the terms of this warranty upon receipt of the kiln (or defective part). Otherwise the defective part may be returned (postage prepaid) to Evenheat Kiln, Inc. P.O. Box 399, 6949 Legion Drive Caseville, MI 48725. If, after factory examination, the original part is found to be defective, a new or repaired part will be shipped prepaid by Evenheat Kiln, Inc.
- (2) If the entire kiln is to be returned to the factory, all transportation costs will be borne but he purchaser. The purchaser should notify Evenheat Kiln, Inc. (989) 856-2281 prior to shipping. Evenheat will help advise the best shipping method and if it is necessary to return the entire kiln or only certain parts. Warranty work will be performed within 30 days after defective part is returned to the factory.
- (3) Evenheat Kiln, Inc. reserves the right, at its option, to replace the entire kiln or any part of it in order to fulfill its obligation under this warranty.

THIS WARRANTY DOES NOT COVER:

- (1) Freight damage, kilns altered in any way, abuse or neglect, moisture, improper storage or installation.
- (2) Kiln overfired (reaching temperature higher than melting point of ware inside kiln) regardless of cause.
- (3) Dawson Kiln Sitter or Limit Timer.
- (4) Kilns operated on incorrect voltage.
- (5) Improper electrical installation.
- (6) Kiln furniture or ware.
- (7) Kilns used for reduction or salt firing.
- (8) Kilns used for purposes other than the firing of glass materials.
- (9) Kilns operated in excess of the cone or temperature on the rating plate.
- (10) Damage to Property or personal injury that may occur from kilns that are fired on or near wood floors or combustibles.
- (11) Damage to property or personal injury that may occur from improper ventilation of the work area and building structure.

This warranty is in lieu of all other warranties, expressed, or implied.

Evenheat Kiln, Inc. neither assumes nor authorizes any Distributor/Dealer, Retailer or employee to assume for it any other obligations or liabilities in connection with Evenheat Kilns.

This warranty is limited as specified above and excludes incidental or consequential damages. Some states or providences do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations or exclusions may not apply to you.