



HOT TUB INSTRUCTIONS

PLEASE READ SO YOU CAN ENSURE YOUR TUB IS HOT AND READY FOR YOU TO USE

Your hot tub stove is lit and heating for your arrival (tubs take around 4 hours to heat). If your arrival is after 5pm, we may have gone home and your fire may have gone out, you will need to re-light this, firelighters are provided.

Guests are respectfully reminded that hot tub wood (wood in buckets) MUST NOT be burnt in fire-pits. Campfire wood (in white bags) must be purchased separately. You may purchase wood elsewhere for your campfire but must hire a firepit from us.

When you arrive at your cabin:

- **CHECK** there is water in the hot tub and **STIR** well to mix the water before checking the temperature. Hot water floats at the top and the bottom may still be cold. **CHECK** the temperature with the thermometer and your hand/elbow (like a baby bath check) to ensure you are comfortable with the temperature for yourself or children **BEFORE** adding more wood/re-lighting the fire.
- Check again **BEFORE** entering the hot tub. As a guide not above 40°C (37°C for children).
- If the water is **NOT hot then you MUST make sure you have a good strong fire going**, by adding wood/re-lighting the stove as required. A few smouldering logs will not heat a big mass of water. The stoves are deep, so you need to ensure you fill wood right to the back of the stove and in layers and not just at the front. Add firelighters between layers and light. Think of it like a fire sandwich 😊
- **You need to maintain the fire after arrival and relight as needed on subsequent days.**
- **CHECK the fire every 30 mins** and keep the fire going as needed, the tub is usually ready by 7:30pm latest on the first night if the fire is maintained correctly. If the water is too hot, add cold water from the cold water tap at the hot tub to cool the water as required (remember to stir). Do not over cool as it will take time to heat again.
- If you open the vents the fire will burn faster. If you close the vents, it will burn slower (do this if you are going out for a while to keep the fire going longer).
- Once the water is hot, stop adding wood, only add more to keep the temperature to your desired temperature. Once at temperature, close the vent on the front of the stove to reduce the air flow (**take care as stoves can be hot**) and leave the fire to smoulder slowly with the vent closed.
- **REMOVE** the lid before use (2-person lift) and place safely away from the stove or fire, upright against the cabin or the fence.
- **The lid must be replaced when not in use. Never leave the tub uncovered when not attended.** This maintains the water temperature for reheating on subsequent days. It also minimises leaves, dust & insects getting into the water and danger to children & animals onsite.
- The following day **WE** will deliver more wood and more firelighters and **YOU** will need to relight your hot tub as you require, we suggest that you allow around **one to two hours for re-heating**.
- **ONLY firewood supplied by The Loft in buckets can be used for the hot tub** and will be provided daily in **BUCKETS**, this wood must not be used in firepits for a campfire.
- **Guests must NEVER empty/drain the hot tub (this must only be done by staff). Please CHECK water levels BEFORE lighting the stove (water level must be above the hot water outlet). If you need help, please ask.** This for safety reasons and to avoid damage to tubs which is chargeable to guests.
- Water change is **AFTER** day 2 of your stay, change/refill before this date will incur an additional charge. **Please do NOT light your stove on a refresh day.**

HOT TUB SAFETY RULES

**FOR YOUR SAFETY AND ENJOYMENT,
YOU MUST READ THESE BEFORE USING THE HOT TUB**

- **Shower thoroughly before entering the hot tub** to remove any lotions, deodorants, creams, sand, grass, and dirt etc to help keep the water fresh. These can make the tub slippery and will cause the water to go cloudy and can make it unpleasant to use on subsequent days.
- **Please avoid applying fake tan in the run up to and during your stay as this can cause staining and discolour the water.**
- **People with conditions such as heart disease, high blood or low blood pressure, serious illness or who are pregnant should not use the hot tub without consulting their doctor first.**
- **DO NOT use the hot tub if you have skin, ear, or any other body infections** to avoid spreading infection.
- **DO NOT** use hot tub after a heavy meal or under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or sedatives.
- **NO** glass is to be taken into the hot tub, plastic glasses/cups only.
- **NO** jumping or diving into the hot tub.
- **NO** nudity (please), we are a family site.
- **NO** sleeping in the hot tub.
- **NO** pets in the hot tub.
- **NO** mobile phones or any other electronics in the hot tub.
- **No bubble bath or oils to be used**, this will make the tub slippery and can cause allergic reactions.
- **NEVER leave children unattended** and move the steps away from the hot tub when unattended to stop small children/pets falling in.
- **Keep hydrated**, drink plenty of water. Be aware excessive heat can make you dizzy.
- Maximum 5 people in the hot tub at any time.
- **CAUTION** decking can become **slippery** when wet, please take care, and use a bathmat.
- **Do not touch the chimney flue**, the stove, or the stove door this may be hot. The stove door may be hot and should be only opened using the insulated handle.
- Do not overfill the wood burner or force the door closed.
- Please note any damage to hot tub/wood burner and its surroundings will be charged for.

We hope that you thoroughly enjoy the hot tub (I love them! even in the snow and the rain, in fact it's when I love the hot tub most!), and your cabin stay in beautiful Moray Speyside.

Any problems, please call.

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Thank you & enjoy!