

## **Occupational Health & Safety** Confined Space Ventilation Heater

**ISSUE:** Working in confined spaces occurs year round and in the winter months, can become extremely damp and cold. To maximize productivity and reduce downtime due to weather conditions, a moderate temperature must be maintained in the confined space work area. In confined space work involving coatings and paint, application temperature must be above 60° F and necessitates a stable, warm work area.

**Application:** To control temperatures in a confined space, an electric heater is used to warm the air prior to entering the confined space. From the blower discharge, a short 3 foot or 6 foot section of standard 8 inch ventilation duct is connected to the heater. Another section of duct is installed from the heater to either the top of the Saddle Vent® or directly into the confined space. Air, approximately 140° F, will be discharged from the heater and cools to approximately 100°-110° F at the end of 25 foot of duct.

**Recommendation:** The electric heater requires 230/1 VAC current to operate. An internal safety switch is installed so the heater will not start until the blower is turned on. A temperature switch is installed to keep the discharge temperature between 140°-180° F. The heater is provided with an 8" inlet and outlet flange to accommodate standard ducting. **The heater is not approved for use in hazardous locations.** 



## Electric Heater

Description	ASI Part #	Grainger Item #
Electric Ventilation Heater	SVF-7KW-8	2ELP2