

Pellets the uncomplicated fuel

Oil and natural gas are becoming increasingly precious and expensive as a commodity for technical materials. Pellets are an uncomplicated, clean and also cost-effective alternative for heating buildings.

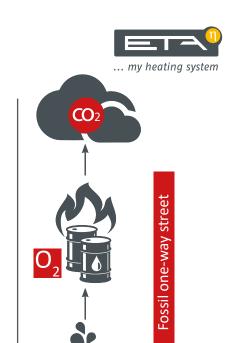
Pellets are transported and stored without major safety expenditures.

Not all wood is suitable for making furniture. Pellets are produced from wood left over from the forest, the sawmill and the natural wood furniture factory. When the trees re-grow, the same amount of carbon dioxide is absorbed from the air that is released into the air through combustion.

By the way: When unused wood decomposes in the forest, it releases the same amount of carbon dioxide that it does when we burn this wood for heat. With a wood heating system, we easily plug into the natural carbon cycle without environmental impact. Wood is stored solar energy and our forests are magnificent sun collectors.







Source: Austrian Biomass Association



Heat from the forest

Why heating with wood is so advantageous

What is biomass?

Everyone has heard the term biomass by now. But what does it really mean? Biomass refers to all organic substances which are biogenic and nonfossil. Examples of biomass include waste wood, shrub cuttings, biowaste, animal manure and many more organic substances. Energy can be derived from all of these raw materials. For heating, wood in its various forms is the standard and most frequently used energy source.

Heating with wood

Wood as fuel has proved its worth in the heating sector against other biomass raw materials for various reasons. On the one hand, the energy requirement and the effort for the further processing and transport of the wood are very low, even with pellets. Another reason why wood is an established fuel is its chemical composition with low-emission combustion. Compared to other biomass raw materials, availability and climate neutrality are important factors in the popularity of wood as a fuel.

Environmentally friendly and CO₃-neutral

Combustion

Everyone knows by now why burning fossil fuels, such as oil and gas, is not preferable. The procurement of crude oil and gas is very energy- and cost-intensive, as is the further processing of the final heating medium. Moreover, fossil fuels are not climate-neutral. This means they intensify the greenhouse effect and contribute to climate warming.

The natural raw material wood is CO_2 -neutral, which means that during its combustion no more CO_2 will be released than the tree took in during its growth. The same amount will also be released if the wood rots in the forest. So heating with wood doesn't burden our climate.



Any building can accommodate pellets

Select the best places in the building for the boiler and the storage area. Every ETA pellet boiler can suck in the pellets from a distance of 20 m with its vacuum turbine.

Differences in height can also be easily overcome with screw discharges. Only two flexible 50 mm hoses are required to connect the boiler to the storeroom.

ETA discharge screw

...our standard system for safe fuel supply during operation and complete discharge of the store.



ETA suction probes with automatic switching

...even unfavourable room shapes can be used for pellet storage. With the suction probes, nearly all rooms can be used as a pellet store, even if the storeroom is angular. Up to eight probes can be used for larger storerooms.



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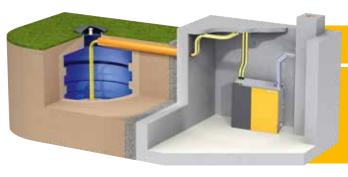




ETAbox

...is a practical solution for pellet storage. It enables setting up in the boiler room, in the attic or in larger storage areas.





Underground tank

...specialised companies offer underground pellet tanks when there isn't any space available in the house. For example by www.geoplast.com

ETA info: for larger boilers

... we can connect up to four conveying systems, either discharge screws or ETAboxes to one large boiler via the fully automatic switching unit.

Storeroom with discharge screw flex - the proven standard

Advantages:

Individually adaptable

By simply shortening the channel and auger, the ETA Flex discharge can be easily adapted to a wide variety of room lengths.

- Optimal adaptation to the storage room length through on-site shortenable channel and auger screw
- With the screw reaching over the entire length of the storeroom, the storeroom is emptied completely.
- Safe conveying during operation is guaranteed.
 The screw also continuously removes dust from the storeroom.
- The storeroom itself is dust-proof, a clean solution.
- Larger height differences, up to two storeys, are possible between boiler and storeroom. By separating the conveying system and pneumatic transport, it is possible to clear out the hose line by letting the vacuum turbine run at the end of the conveying operation. This safely prevents the bends below the ascending sections of the hose from clogging.
- An existing oil tank room can be optimally converted into a pellet store.
- The pellet transport accelerates through the self-contained system (return air transfers directly into the suction hose)
- The screw doses the pellets evenly and loosely to the suction nozzle; this guarantees short suction times.

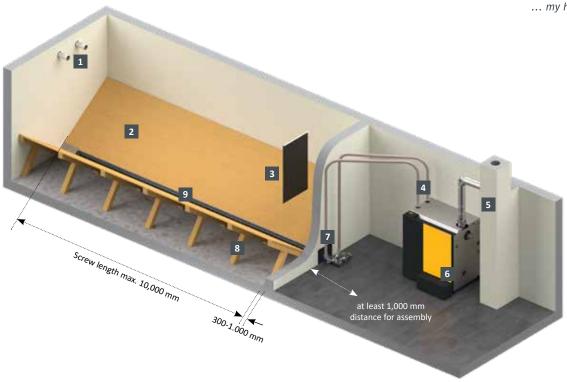
Requirements:

- The storeroom can be up to 10 m long.
- The boiler room should be on the small side of the storeroom in order to achieve better utilisation of the room with a screw in the longitudinal direction. The basic pellet discharge channel set to which the hoses are connected can also be installed in a side room next to the narrow side of the storeroom.
- The storeroom should be dry. If walls tend to accumulate temporary moisture, a rear-ventilated wooden front cover can help significantly.
- If the forces from the tilted floor construction are directed into the floor, then 10 cm of reinforced concrete, 17 cm of tiles or a post-and-beam wall with 12 cm bars (distance 60 cm, both sides planked with 2 cm of wood) is sufficient for the walls.

If the storeroom length is greater than 3 m and the discharge head cannot be mounted on either of the two small sides outside of the storeroom, a different storage system should be selected (e.g. ETA suction probes or ETAbox).

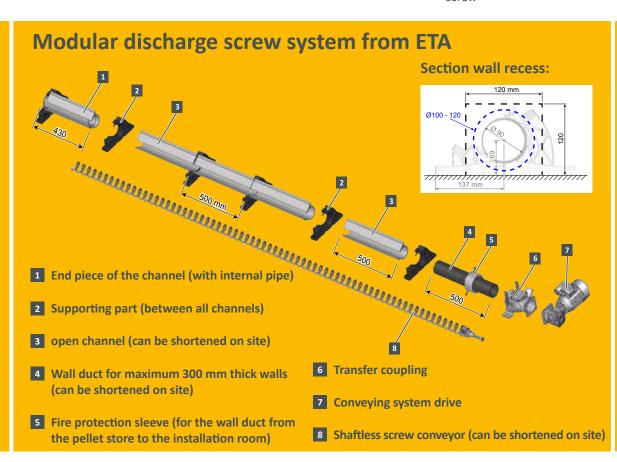






- 1 Back air and filling nozzles
- 2 Inclined construction with smooth surface (40°)
- 3 Impact protection mat

- 4 Suction and return line
- 5 Chimney
- 6 ETA pellet boiler
- 7 Auger screw drive and pellet transfer unit
- 8 Wooden substructure
- 9 Open channel with coreless auger screw



With four suction probes, almost every room can be used for pellet storage

Advantages:

- With the suction probes, nearly all rooms can be used as a pellet store, even if the room is difficult to access.
- Suction probes with automatic switching guarantee high operational reliability. If one probe fails, heating can continue with the remaining probes without restriction.
- The storeroom itself is dust-proof, a clean solution.
- An existing oil tank room can be converted into a pellet store.
- Lower structure-borne noise in the neighbouring rooms than with discharge screws. Recommended for larger systems in residential buildings

Requirements:

- The storeroom may not be longer than 4 m.
- The storeroom must be on the same level as the boiler or on the storey above it to keep the vertical transport path to a minimum.
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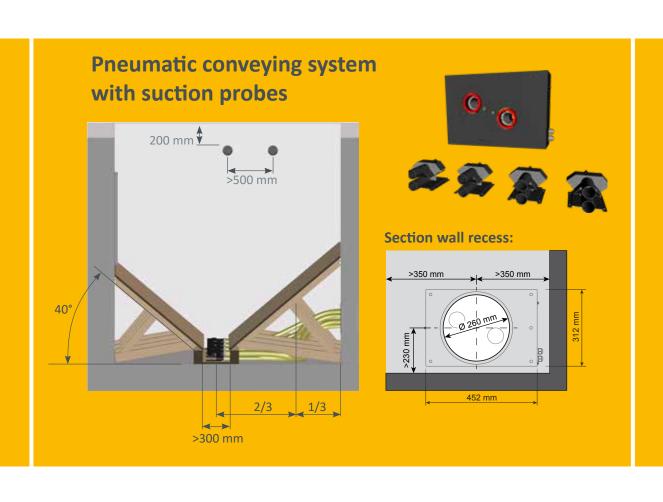


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A suitable solution even for larger storerooms

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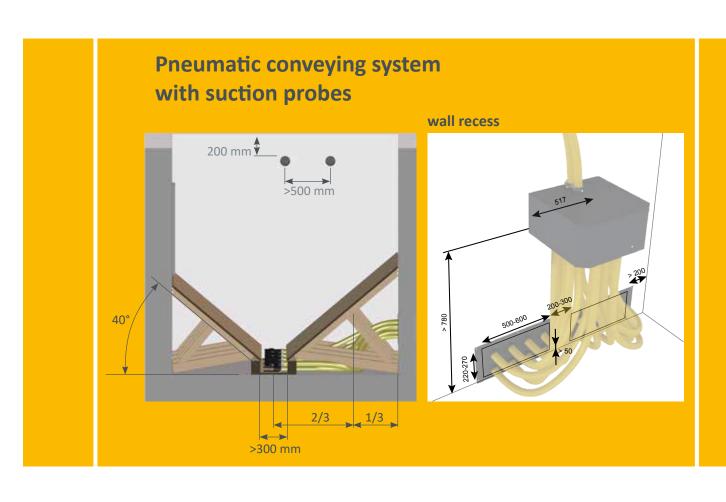
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Removal from the top - without sloping floor

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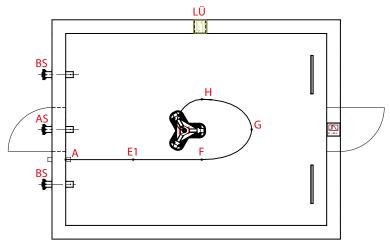
- Removal from above, so no slopes required
- Near-complete utilization of the room volume
- The storeroom itself is dust-proof; a clean solution
- A pre-existing oil tank room can be converted into a pellet store



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- The arrangement of the inlet nozzle must be strictly adhered to, as incorrect installation can lead to damage to the mole.

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- The storeroom must be on the same level as the boiler or on the storey above, in order to keep the vertical transport path to a minimum
- The storeroom should be dry. If walls have a tendency to accumulate temporary moisture, a rear-ventilated wooden front cover can help. This keeps the ingress of moisture into the pellets to an acceptable minimum
- Maximum working area of the E3 pellet mole is 36 m² with a ceiling height of 2.5 m, or 16 m² with a room height of 3.5 m
- Minimum width of the storage room must be 2.5 m, the maximum length is 8 m for room heights between 1.7 m and 3.5 m



Customized planning according to structural conditions.







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- 4 Chimney
- 5 ETA pellet boiler
- 6 Mole E3
- 7 Automatic lifting device





- 1 Spring balancers for guiding the pellet hose
- 2 Lifting module for the mole
- 3 Connection box for mole and lifting module
- 4 Flexible pellet hose with attached electrical wire for the mole
- 5 Mole

ETAbox - for a small pellet store in a large space

Advantages:

- The ETAbox can either be set up in a boiler room or a storage room, in a barn or even in a loft.
 Outdoor installation is also possible if the ETAbox is protected from the sun and rain.
- The ETAbox protects the pellets thanks to its design, even in high water. As a result, water ingress in the storeroom and moisture in the walls does not necessarily mean damage to the pellet stock.
- An ETAbox enables dry storage of the pellets even if the walls in the installation space are moist.
- The ETAbox is a complete modular system that can be set up by two people in a short amount of time and without having to build a wall or hire a carpenter.
- The smooth container base made of galvanised steel sheet and a discharge screw ensures safe conveying during operation. The screw also continuously removes dust from the storeroom.
- Larger height differences, up to two storeys, are
 possible between boiler and storeroom. By separating the conveying system and pneumatic transport, it is possible to clear out the hose line by
 letting the vacuum turbine run at the end of the
 conveying operation. This safely prevents the
 bends below the ascending sections of the hose
 from clogging.

Requirements:

- Storage of the pellets in the boiler installation room must be permitted in accordance with building regulations.
 - Germany: In most German states, up to 6.5 tonnes of pellets can be stored in the boiler installation room (maximum 50 kW).
 - Austria: The latest amendments to building laws allow the storage of up to 15 m³ of pellets in the boiler room in individual Austrian States (e.g. Upper Austria).
 - Switzerland: Up to 10 m³ of pellets can be stored in separate boiler rooms (El60); the clearance from the boiler must be 1 m. Country-specific regulations must be observed.
- During filling, the dusty conveyor air is sucked from the ETAbox using a ventilator on the tank truck.
 Therefore, air must be able to flow through a window or a door into the room.
- If the container is installed on a floor above the first storey, the situation should be evaluated by a construction expert. If necessary, the load can be integrated directly into the load-bearing walls with three steel beams beneath the ETAbox.

Due to the required clearance to the wall around the ETAbox, the space requirement is a bit larger than it is for a store made from masonry.



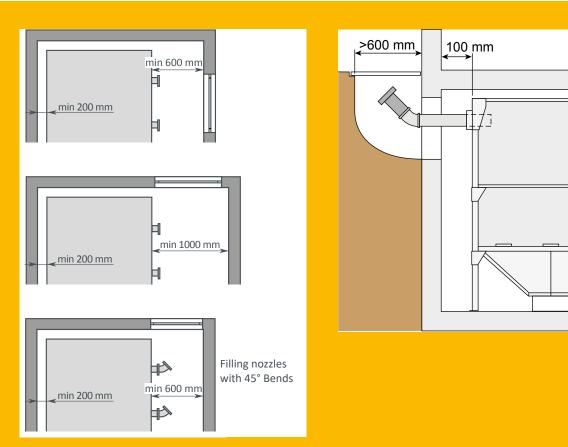




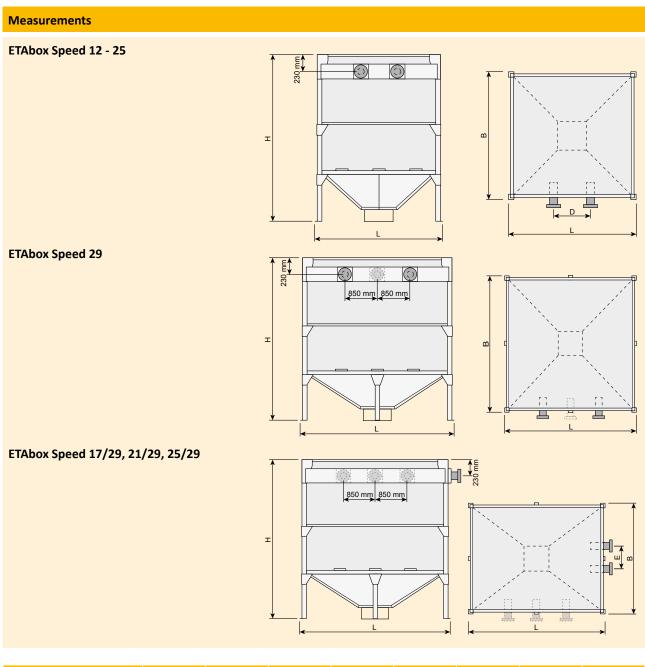
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4 ETAbox



As standard, all ETAboxes ship with two filling nozzles. ETAboxes 17/29 and 21/29 can either be filled from the longitudinal side or the broadside. A third filling nozzle for the longitudinal side is optionally available. An optional third nozzle is also possible for ETAbox 29. The additional filling nozzle is recommended for achieving better filling.



Dimensions and data	ETAb	ox 12	ETAb	ox 17	ETAb	ox 21	ETAb	ox 25	ETAb	ox 2 9	ETA 17/			box /29	ETA 25/	
Length (L) in mm	1.200		1.700		2.100		2.500		2.900		2.900		2.900		2.900	
Width (W) in mm	1.200		1.700		2.100		2.500		2.900		1.700		2.100		2.500	
Height (H) adjustable in increments of 100 mm			1.800 - 2.500						1.900 - 2.500							
Clearance between the filling nozzles (D) in mm	500		500		500		900		-							
Distance between the filling nozzles (E) in mm	-		-		-		-		-		500		500		900	
Storage volume at	m³	to	m³	to	m³	to	m³	to	m³	to	m³	to	m³	to	m³	to
H = 1.800 mm	1,7	1,1	3,2	2,1	4,4	2,8	6,4	4,2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
H = 1.900 mm	1,8	1,2	3,5	2,3	4,9	3,1	7,0	4,6	9,4	6,1	5,6	3,6	6,6	4,3	7,7	5,9
H = 2.100 mm	2,1	1,4	4,1	2,7	5,8	3,7	8,3	5,4	11,0	7,1	6,5	4,2	7,8	5,1	8,9	6,6
H = 2.500 mm	2,6	1,7	5,4	3,5	7,7	5,0	10,9	7,0	14,1	9,2	8,3	5,4	10,2	6,6	11,4	7,9



The most important pellet data

Since the heating value of different types of woods differ fractionally on a weight basis, the following formula applies as a rule of thumb: 1 litre of heating oil = 2 kg pellets

Typical data for pelle	ts
Calorific value	4.9 kWh/kg
Bulk weight	650 kg/m³
Diameter	6 - 8 mm
Length	5 - 48 mm
Water content	< 10 %
Ash content	< 0.7 %
Raw material	Natural wood shavings and sawdust
Energy required for manufacture	approx. 2 - 3% of the energy content
Additives	no chemical additives but just natural pressing aids (thickness < 2%)

Visit the "Products" page at www.eta.co.at for a heating cost comparison.

How big does my storeroom have to be?

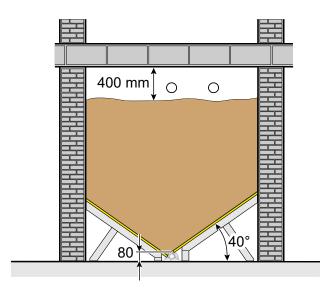
The approximate pellet requirement per year in tonnes is calculated by dividing the heating load in kilowatts by 3. To calculate the pellet requirement in cubic meters, divide the heating load by 2. So, for example, for 30 kW heating load you need approx. 10 tonnes or 15 m³ pellets per year, respectively.

When moving from another energy source to pellets, the pellet requirement can also be determined from the previous consumption. 1 tonne of pellets roughly corresponds to:

- 500 I heating oil
- 520 m³ natural gas
- 750 l liquid gas
- 600 kg coke
- 1,400 kWh current for geothermal heat pumps (in normal operation 3.4)
- 2,700 kWh current for air heat pumps (in normal operation1.8)

Determining the usable storage volume

Due to the 40° tilted floor required in the store, room widths greater than 3 m offer little or no additional useful volume for rooms of normal height (this also applies for conveyors with suction probes).



Usable cross-section of pellet storeroom in square metres

40° floor tilt, upper clearance of 0.40 m, 0.08 m below for screw

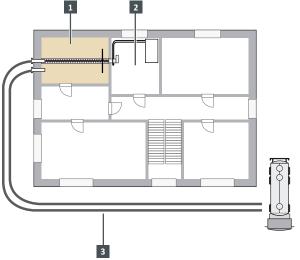
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the storeroom in metres	2.0	2,20	2,60	3,00	3,40	3,80	4,20	4,60	5,00
	2.2	2,33	2,77	3,21	3,65	4,09	4,53	4,97	5,41
	2.4	2,44	2,92	3,40	3,88	4,36	4,84	5,32	5,80
	2.6	2,53	3,05	3,57	4,09	4,61	5,13	5,65	6,17
	2.8	2,61	3,17	3,73	4,29	4,85	5,41	5,97	6,53
	3.0	2,67	3,27	3,87	4,47	5,07	5,67	6,27	6,87
	3.2	2,72	3,36	4,00	4,64	5,28	5,92	6,56	7,20
Jo r	3.4	2,75	3,43	4,11	4,79	5,47	6,15	6,83	7,51
Width	3.6	2,76	3,48	4,20	4,92	5,64	6,36	7,08	7,80
	3.8	2,76	3,51	4,27	5,03	5,79	6,55	7,31	8,07
	4.0	2,76	3,53	4,33	5,13	5,93	6,73	7,53	8,33

Cross section x room length (screw axis) = pellet storage volume Pellet storage volume x 0.650 t/m³ = pellet store in tonnes

Delivery of pellets

The pellets are delivered by a tank truck and blown into the storeroom. The tank trucks usually have a pump hose with a length of up to 20 m. If you need a longer pump hose, ask about your pellet supplier's technical capabilities.

Vehicle access area should be at least 3 m wide and 4 m high. The tank truck can only back up if the street and gate are wide enough.



- 1 Pellet store
- 2 Boiler room/installation room of the boiler
- 3 Filling hoses of the tank truck

Position of pellet store and boiler room

If possible, the pellet storeroom should adjoin an outer wall since the filling nozzle should be accessible from outside. For an interior storeroom, the blower and back air pipes should be extended to the outer wall.

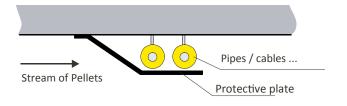
Correct placement of the pellet store

Placement of the storeroom is crucial for satisfactory operation. For this reason, do not place the pellet store underneath or in the immediate vicinity of bedrooms, otherwise, the noises that occur during operation could be transferred into these rooms.

No cables/pipes in the pellet store

In the pellet store, there should be no water pipelines or electrical cables. Water from a broken pipe would cause the pellets to swell up. Uninsulated parts and electrical installations in the pellet store are prohibited.

Existing cold water pipes that can only be removed with unreasonable effort must be insulated against condensation to ensure that the pellets cannot be damaged by dripping condensation. Pipelines must be shielded. A protective plate is required if the pipeline is in the path of the pellets.

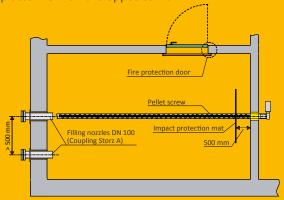






Installing the filling nozzles on the narrow side of the pellet store

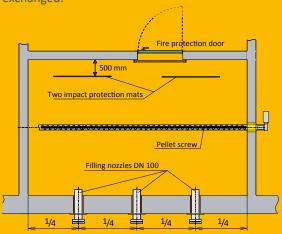
Two nozzles are installed in the narrower outside wall (preferably) of the storeroom. one (centred) for blowing in the pellets and the other (to the side) for back air. Opposite the central nozzle, an impact protection mat is installed to prevent damage to both pellets and the plasterwork on the opposite wall.



On the longitudinal side of the pellet store in

exceptional cases only

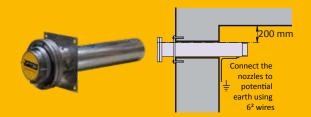
In exceptional cases, when the narrow side of the storeroom is not accessible from the outside, the filling nozzles may be positioned on the longitudinal side. Each half of the room needs its own nozzle with opposite impact protection mat. The disadvantage is that halfway through the injection process, the hoses must be exchanged.



Installing the filling nozzles

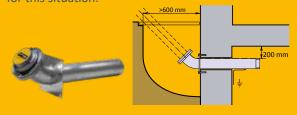
The filling nozzles must be firmly anchored in the wall so they can withstand the movements of the hoses from the delivery vehicle and cannot rotate when the hoses are attached. They should be mounted horizontally **200** cm under the ceiling of the pellet store, so that the pellets are not blown against the ceiling. To install the filling nozzles in smooth holes or sewer pipe cut-outs so they cannot twist, the ETA filling nozzles are equipped with a flange that transfers the forces directly into the wall via four plug screws.

ETA filling nozzles with 100 mm diameter fit exactly in the cut-outs made for fitting a sewer pipe with 110 mm outside diameter. The small gap between nozzle and wall can be sealed with silicone; for larger gaps, foam is used.



Filling nozzles below ground level

If the filling nozzles are installed below ground in an area, ensure that the hose can be led out of the shaft in a straight line. Angled filling nozzles are available for this situation.











ETA Pelletboiler

ETA PU PelletsUnit 7 - 15 kW
ETA ePE pellet boiler 7 - 32 kW
ETA PC PelletsCompact 20 - 105 kW
ETA ePE-K pellet boiler 100 - 240 kW

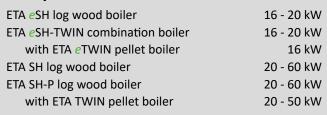


ETA condensing heat technology

ETA ePE BW pellet boiler 8 - 36 kW
ETA BW condensing heat exchanger PU 7 - 15 kW
ETA BW condensing heat exchanger PC 20 - 105 kW



ETA SH log wood boiler and TWIN pellet boiler





ETA wood chip boiler

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