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## **Firing Guide for Australian Decals**

-This guide applies specifically to those decals with code beginning with  ${\bf N}$  ie  ${\bf NGB}$  etc.

- 1/ These decals need a lot of free movement around them in the lower stages of firing up to 600 degrees C. It is important not to overload the kiln and to ensure that the bungs are open in the early part of the firing. If you are using pin cranks fill 3 out of 4 spaces only.
- 2/ Fire the kiln to 760C over 3 hours at a rate of 253 degrees per hour. You may have to adjust this slightly to suit your kiln.
- 3/ Close the ventilation holes (bung holes) after 600C to allow kiln temperature to even out all over the kiln.
- 4/ Soaking is not necessary unless the decals at the bottom of the kiln appear underfired.
- 5/ Ensure that the smoke coming off is vented to atmosphere very quickly using an extraction fan if possible.
- **NB.** These instructions are intended to be used as a guide only; please test fire all decals before use to determine the optimum temperature for your kiln.

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