## **ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS**

## Value Half Growhouse

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Please keep all packaging until installation is complete

Model FB3 shown

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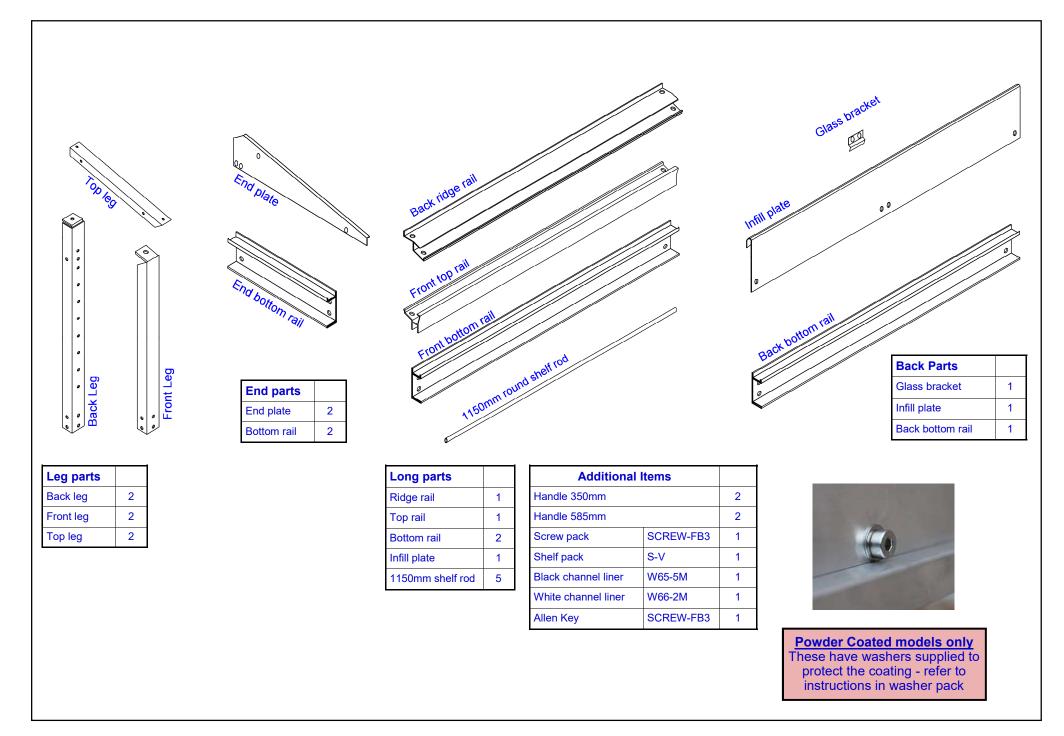
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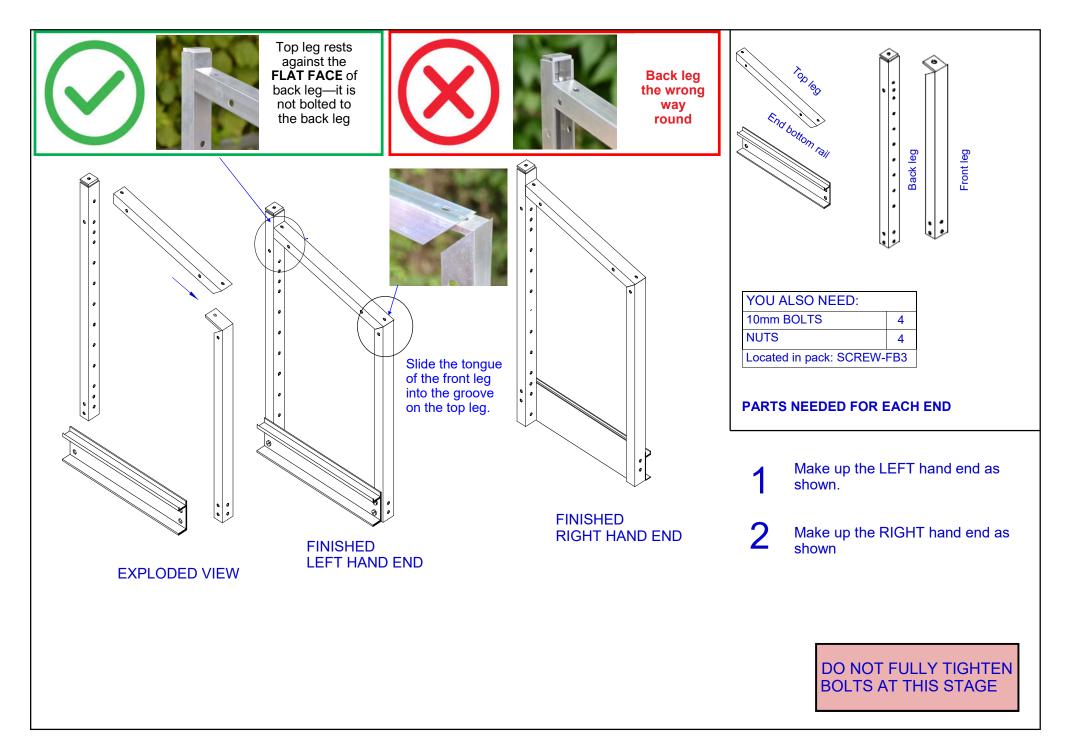
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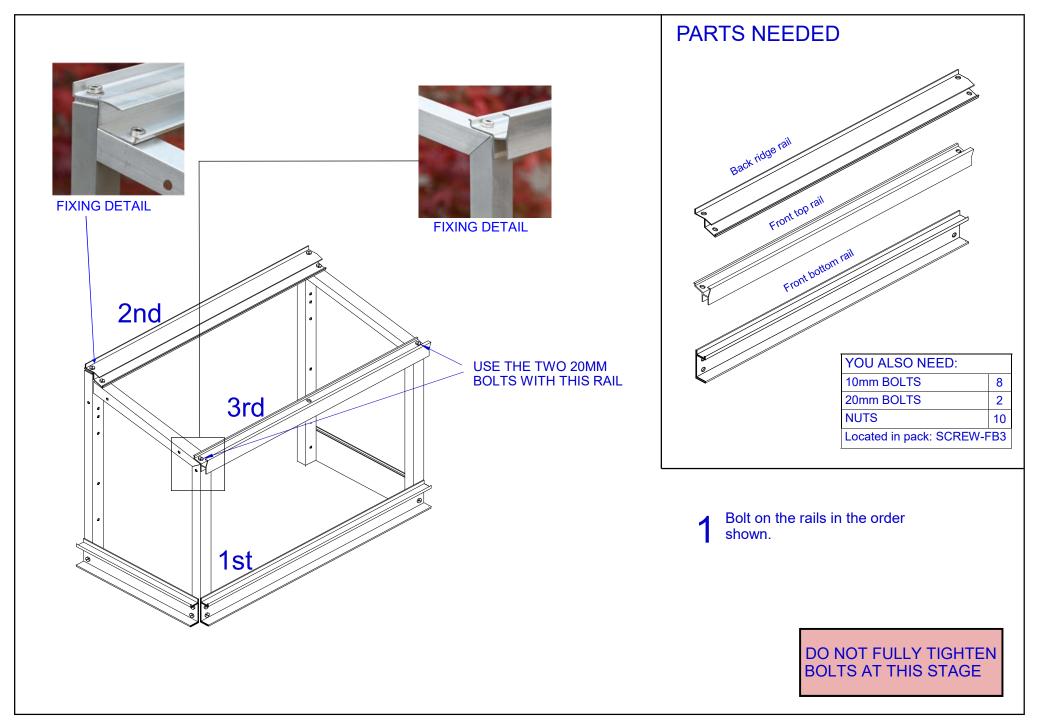
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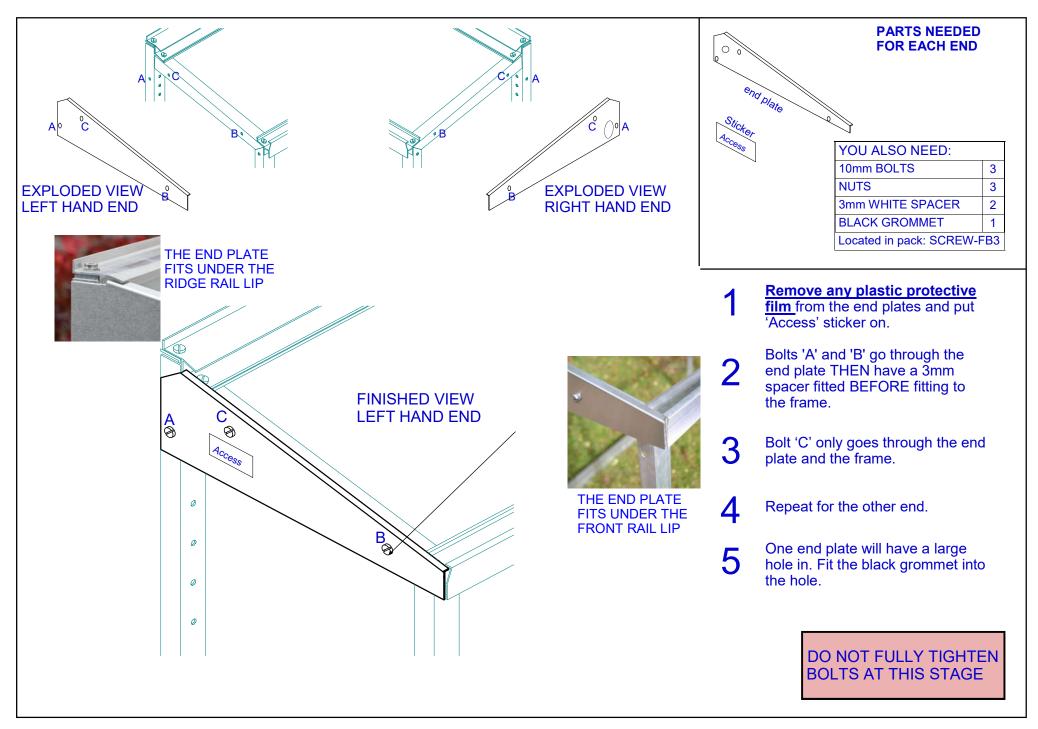
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Assembly instructions for models: FB3 (Half Growhouse)









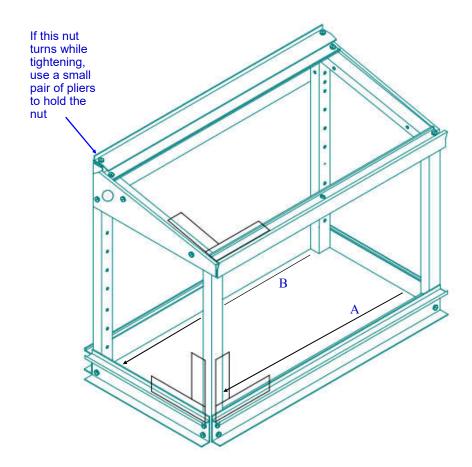
## ▲ SQUARING THE FRAME

Carefully use the squaring card to square the unit up as shown. Slacken the nuts if necessary to move the framework into a square position.

Page 12 gives instructions on how to fit the glass into the frame.

## IT IS ESSENTIAL TO GET THE FRAME SQUARE.

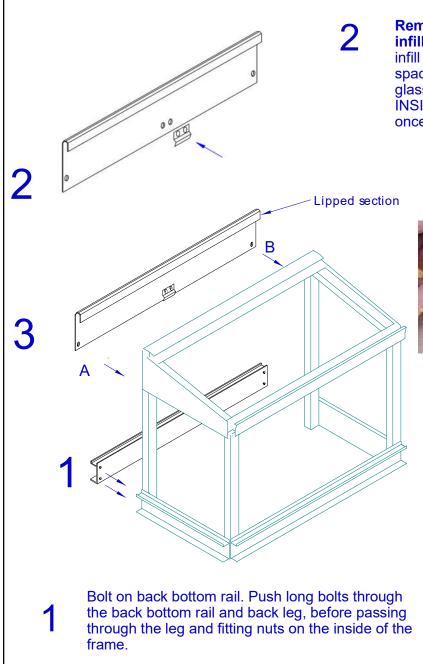
Ensure distance 'A' is equal to distance 'B' otherwise the shelves will not fit.



Once the frame is completely square fully tighten up all the nuts and bolts.

FULLY TIGHTEN ALL BOLTS EXCEPT THE END PLATE BOLTS, otherwise the framework will quickly work loose.

PERIODICALY CHECK THE TIGHTNESS OF THE BOLTS



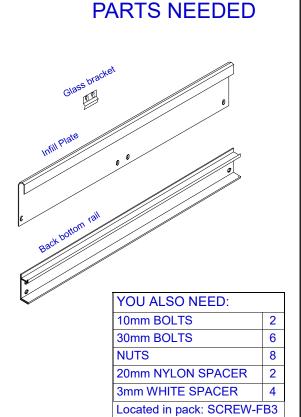
Remove the plastic protective film from the infill plate. 10mm bolts 'E' goes through the infill plate from the outside. Put a 3mm white spacer on each bolt before pushing on the glass bracket, then fit the nut. Glass bracket is INSIDE frame and will clamp onto the glass once the glass is in place.



Nylon spacers on infill plate



Completed bracket inside Growhouse





Nylon spacers on infill plate

Place the lipped section over the upstand on the back rail. Push a long bolt through hole A, then fit a white 3mm spacer and a 20mm nylon spacer. Push the bolt into the frame and fit a nut on the inside of the frame.

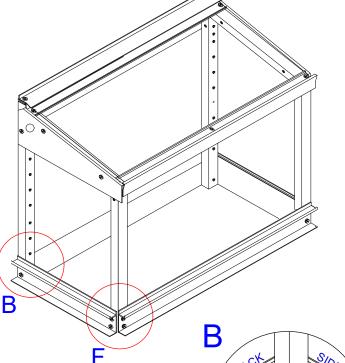
Repeat for hole B at the other end . **Do not overtighten these bolts.** 

FULLY TIGHTEN BOTTOM RAIL BOLTS ONLY

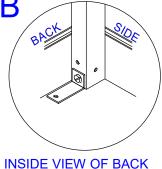
FIXING TO FLOOR (OPTIONAL KIT)

Fit the 'L' brackets to the front legs using a nut and bolt.

Turn the framework upside down and fit the 'L' brackets to the back legs using a nut and bolt.



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**LEG SHOWING FIXING** 

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**INSIDE VIEW OF FRONT LEG SHOWING FIXING** 

**PARTS NEEDED** 

Ground Fixing Pack FR-AKG (Optional)

Place the framework in its final position and drill through the bracket with a 6mm masonry drill bit, to a depth of 35mm. Insert the red rawlplug, through the bracket and into the concrete.

> Using a woodscrew, screw through the 'L' bracket and into the rawlplug.

Repeat for other brackets.



Completed front bracket

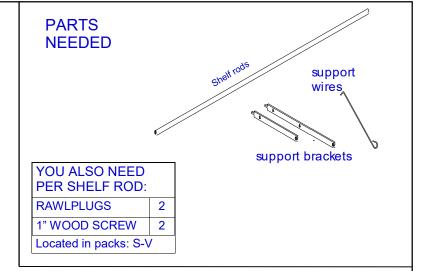
**GROUND FIXING KIT IS RECOMMENDED IN WINDY AREAS**  FB3 models have 1 standard + 1 wide full length shelf.

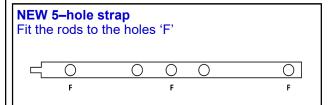
- Lightly tap rawlplug inserts into both ends of the tubular aluminium shelf rods with a hammer.
- Slide the two hooks onto the tube, as shown then screw the support bracket on at each end.
- 3 Fit the other rods to the shelf.

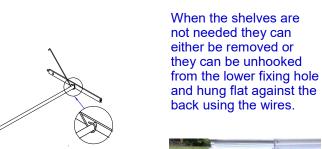
## **FITTING**



Hook support wire into top hole, then swing shelf upward into the adjacent hole below.

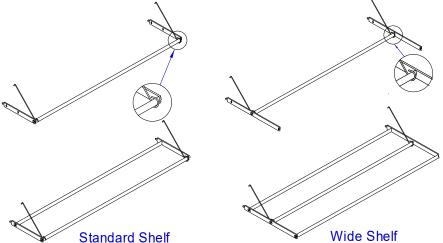




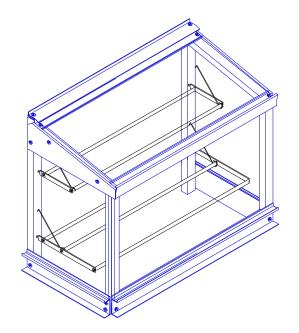




Bottom shelf hung flat against the back

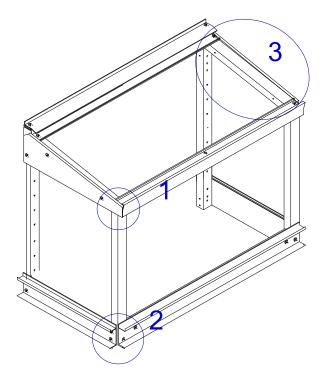


Note: A Pozidrive screwdriver will fit the screws best



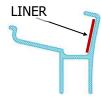
## FITTING THE CHANNEL LINER

**TIP:** Before sticking the tape, clean the aluminium of any oil traces to promote adhesion.



The white liner (W66-2M) fits on the inside <u>vertical</u> face of top FRONT rail only. This is a loose fit so strips of double sided tape are included to secure it until the glass is in place.

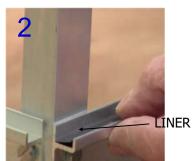
**TIP:** Do not use the red covered sticky pads that are for the handles



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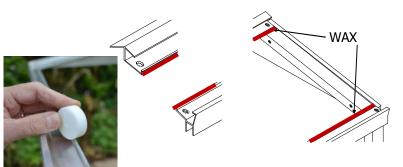
The black plastic liner (W65-5M) goes in the FRONT bottom rail only. Using the strips of double sided tape press liner down so that it LIES FLAT at the bottom of the channel - trim with a knife if necessary.

THE DOORS WILL NOT SLIDE PROPERLY
IF THE LINER IS NOT FLAT



LINER

To make the top glass slide more easily, rub candle wax onto the glass bearers. Also wax the black and white liners.



## Removing the tape

Peel the **narrower** backing tape off first, this will expose the sticky pad, allowing it to be stuck onto the liner.

**Tip:** Bend the backing tape back on itself to make it easier to peel the sticky pad off.

Place pads regularly down the length of the liner.

When ready, peel the **wide** backing pads off the tape and stick the liner to the aluminium.



# On the next page are instructions on how to fit the handles to the glass

When fitting the handles, place the glass on a table or timber battens. **NEVER PLACE THE GLASS DIRECTLY ON CONCRETE OR SLABS** 

Always fit the handles to the left hand side of the glass sheet

**DO NOT** lift the glass by the handle

If possible, leave the handles overnight in a warm place to promote the curing of the adhesive

### **WARNING**

If broken, toughened glass will fragment safely.

If the edges are knocked or chipped the glass will spontaneously fragment. This is a natural occurrence due to the toughening process. Care should be taken when moving or cleaning, not to damage the edge of the glass.

When placing the glass in the frame, ensure that the glass is securely placed in the runners before letting go of the glass.

Sheets requiring short handles	2
Sheets requiring long handles	2

GLASS	
610mm x 610mm	8

top edge of glass pane 12mm or 12mm

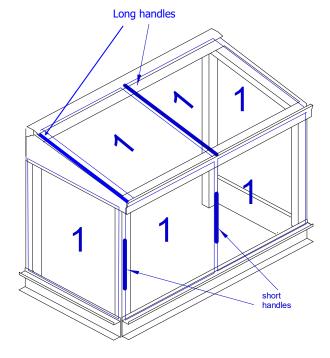
First wipe the edge of the glass where the handle will fit with a wet cloth.

Then slide the handle over the edge of the glass, starting at the top corner of the handle.

For short handles, place the handle 120mm from the top edge of the glass. For the long roof handle, place the handle 15mm from the top edge.

**TIP:** Do not try and slide the handle on from the top or bottom

**TIP:** Always grip the handle in the CENTRE when sliding



End and back glass has no handles



Ideally work on a table or a workbench.

It is best to work inside to keep the pads warm and dry.



Front sheet handles are 120mm from the edge.

For the long roof handles mark 15mm from the top edge.



Open the sachet and wipe the glass where the tape will stick.



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Replace the cloth in the plastic bag to prevent evaporation.



5

Peel the pad off the backing.

Each handle has 2 pads



6

Press the pad down firmly to ensure good adhesion to the glass.



7

Use the handle to find the 2nd pad position.

Fit the second pad.



8

Peel the cover strips off all of the pads.



C

Using the pen mark as a guide, fit the handle.

Slide the two arms of the 'U' over the edge of the glass.



10

Work the handle on with your hands.



11

Use one of the glass battens to gently tap the handle down.



12

Work the handle on all the way down the glass.

Use the timber batten to tap the handle if necessary.

#### **FITTING HANDLES**

Fit the handles to the glass before fitting into the frame. Ensure the handles are always on the left hand side of the glass.

## FITTING THE GLASS (FRONT AND TOP)

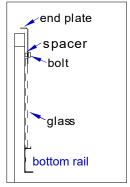
To fit the glass push the sheet into the deeper top channel, then lower into the bottom channel (C). Make sure the glass is firmly in the bottom channel before letting go. Always start glazing at the left hand end and overlap each subsequent pane by 1" (2cm)

#### **END GLASS**

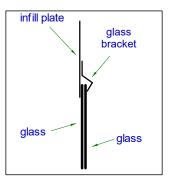
Slacken the two lower end plate bolts then gently slide the glass into place from the front corner. The glass is held between the framework and the end plate (A). The bolts on the end plates can then be carefully tightened. Fit a ring wedge (D) into the bottom glass channel.

### **BACK GLASS**

Slacken the four infill plate bolts and gently slide the first sheet in from the rear corner. Gently slide the other sheet in from the other end. The two sheets will overlap in the centre, behind the glass bracket (B). Carefully retighten the bolts. Fit a ring wedge (D) into the bottom glass channel - 1 per sheet.



A. End glass detail



B. End glass overlap detail



B. Glass bracket



C. Fitting the glass



D. Ring wedge (Located in pack: SCREW-FB3)

GLASS STICKS TOGETHER	This is normally due to the handles not being put on the correct side of the glass. See page 10 for details of where the handles should be fitted to the glass.
HANDLES COME OFF	If handles come off frequently either purchase some new handles and sticky pads from Access or use a glue such as 'liquid nails' or 'no more nails' to permanently glue the handles to the glass.
SHELVES WILL NOT FIT INTO THE BACK LEGS	Check that the back legs have been fitted the right way round - see page 2. Check that dimension A = B - see page 5.
FRAMEWORK MOVES AND GLASS FALLS OUT	If the nuts and bolts haven't been properly tightened, the framework will quickly become loose and move, even in light winds. In strong winds the glass will fall out. Remove the glass, resquare the frame, then <b>fully tighten all of the nuts and bolts</b> .

**PERIODIC MAINTENANCE** Every Spring take the glass out of the greenhouse and wash glass and framework with warm soapy water. When inserting the glass, always check that the glass is properly seated in its top and bottom channels before letting go of the sheet.

**CHECK THE TIGHTNESS** of all bolts regularly, especially in very windy areas or powder coated frames.

**CROP ROTATION** Suggestions for suitable crops and sowing dates given in the free Access Growing Guide

**VENTILATION** In cold weather gentle ventilation can be given by sliding the front sheets of glass to give 2-3" (5-8cm) gap at each corner.

In warmer weather allow a gap on the top sheets as well. In very hot weather open all the sheets of glass. To ensure that the correct temperature is maintained use a thermometer inside the greenhouse. You can completely remove the top sheets in summer.

**GALES** The greenhouse must be kept fully closed in rough weather.

**GLASS CHANNELS** Ensure that this is kept free from debris and allows the glass to slide smoothly. Periodically lubricate the running edge of the glass with a wax candle.

**SNOW** If snow is very heavy - avoid letting it build up on the roof

**SHELVING** Stand pot plants on saucers, or use optional shelf covers which incorporate a layer of capillary matting to absorb excess water when watering. Alternatively, stand the pots in empty seed trays.

**SITING** Site on the sunniest place available. Anything from East through South to West. is suitable. If it has to face North, don't despair, it will be warmer in than outside! If you can fix to a brick or stone wall, you will get extra heat storage during the day.

**REDUCING THE LENGTH** If it is just too long for your ideal spot, it can be shortened. Re-drill the holes at one end of the rails - moving them in by the amount you need to remove. Hacksaw off the surplus aluminium and shorten the shelf rods. The glass will merely overlap more - don't try to cut toughened glass!