

Use And Care



MICROWAVE HOOD COMBINATION

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MODEL MH6110XE



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Microwave Oven Safety

Your safety is important to us.

This guide contains safety symbols and statements. Please pay special attention to these symbols and follow any instructions given. Here is a brief explanation of the use of the symbol.



This symbol alerts you to hazards such as fire, electrical shock, or other injuries.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

When using electrical appliances basic safety precautions should be followed, including the following:

WARNING: To reduce the risk of burns, electric shock, fire, injury to persons, or exposure to excessive microwave energy:

- Read all instructions before using the microwave oven.
- Read and follow the specific "PRE-CAUTIONS TO AVOID POSSIBLE EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE MICROWAVE ENERGY" found in this section.
- The microwave oven must be grounded. Connect only to properly grounded outlet. See "GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS" found at the end of this section.
- Install or locate the microwave oven only in accordance with the provided Installation Instructions.
- Some products such as whole eggs in the shell and sealed containers – for example, closed glass jars – may explode and should not be heated in the microwave oven.
- Use the microwave oven only for its intended use as described in this manual. Do not use corrosive chemicals or vapors in the microwave oven. This type of oven is specifically designed to heat, cook, or dry food. It is not designed for industrial or laboratory use.
- As with any appliance, close supervision is necessary when used by children.
- Do not operate the microwave oven if it has a damaged cord or plug, if it is not working properly, or if it has been damaged or dropped.

- The microwave oven should be serviced only by qualified service personnel. Call an authorized Whirlpool service company for examination, repair, or adjustment.
- Do not cover or block any openings on the microwave oven.
- Do not store the microwave oven outdoors.
 Do not use the microwave oven near water for example, near a kitchen sink, in a wet basement, or near a swimming pool, and the like.
- Do not immerse cord or plug in water.
- Keep cord away from heated surfaces.
- Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter.
- See door surface cleaning instructions in the "Caring for Your Microwave Oven" section.
- Suitable for use above both gas and electric cooking equipment.
- Intended to be used above ranges with maximum width of 36 inches.

For microwave ovens with a ventilating hood:

- Clean Ventilating Hoods Frequently Grease should not be allowed to accumulate on hood or filter.
- When flaming foods under the hood, turn the fan off. The fan, if operating, may spread the flame.
- Use care when cleaning the vent-hood filter. Corrosive cleaning agents, such as lye-based oven cleaners, may damage the filter.

MICROWAVE OVEN SAFETY

- To reduce the risk of fire in the oven cavity:
- Do not overcook food. Carefully attend the microwave oven if paper, plastic, or other combustible materials are placed inside the oven to facilitate cooking.
- Remove wire twist-ties from paper or plastic bags before placing bag in oven.
- If materials inside the oven should ignite, keep oven door closed, turn oven off, and disconnect the power cord, or shut off power at the fuse or circuit breaker panel.

- Do not use the cavity for storage purposes. Do not leave paper products, cooking utensils, or food in the cavity when not in use.
- Do not mount over a sink.
- Do not store anything directly on top of the microwave oven when the microwave oven is in operation.

- SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS -

PRECAUTIONS TO AVOID POSSIBLE EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE MICROWAVE ENERGY...

- (a) Do not attempt to operate this oven with the door open since open-door operation can result in harmful exposure to microwave energy. It is important not to defeat or tamper with the safety interlocks.
- (b) Do not place any object between the oven front face and the door or allow soil or cleaner residue to accumulate on sealing surfaces.
- (c) Do not operate the oven if it is damaged. It is particularly important that the oven door close properly and that there is no damage to the:
 - (1) Door (bent),
 - (2) Hinges and latches (broken or loosened),
 - (3) Door seals and sealing surfaces.
- (d) The oven should not be adjusted or repaired by anyone except properly qualified service personnel.

Electrical requirements

Observe all governing codes and ordinances. A 120 Volt, 60 Hz, AC only, 15 amp fused electrical supply is required. (A time-delay fuse is recommended.) It is recommended that a separate circuit serving only this appliance be provided.





Electrical Shock Hazard
Plug into a grounded 3 prong outlet.
Do not remove ground prong.
Do not use an adapter.

Bo not use an adapter.

Do not use an extension cord.

Failure to follow these instructions can result in death, fire, or electrical shock.

GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS

For all cord connected appliances: The microwave oven must be grounded. In the event of an electrical short circuit, grounding reduces the risk of electric shock by providing an escape wire for the electric current. The microwave oven is equipped with a cord having a grounding wire with a grounding plug. The plug must be plugged into an outlet that is properly installed and grounded.

WARNING: Improper use of the grounding can result in a risk of electric shock.

Consult a qualified electrician or serviceman if the grounding instructions are not completely understood, or if doubt exists as to whether the microwave oven is properly arounded. Do not use an extension cord. If the power supply cord is too short, have a qualified electrician or serviceman install an outlet near the microwave oven.

For a permanently connected appliance: This appliance must be connected to a grounded, metallic, permanent wiring system, or an equipment grounding conductor should be run with the circuit conductors and connected to the equipment grounding terminal or lead on the appliance.

Getting to Know Your Microwave Oven

This section discusses the concepts behind microwave cooking. It also shows you the basics you need to know to operate your microwave oven. Please read this information before you use your oven.

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Explosion Hazard

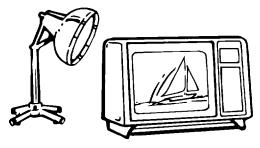
Do not store flammable materials such as gasoline near the microwave oven.

Doing so can result in death, explosion, fire, or burns.

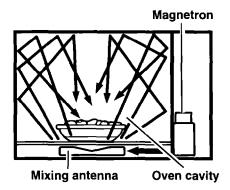
How your microwave oven works

Microwave ovens are safe. Microwave energy is not hot. It causes food to make its own heat, and it's this heat that cooks the food.

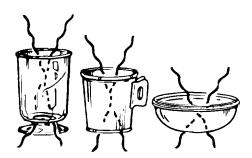
Microwaves are like TV waves or light waves. You cannot see them, but you can see what they do.



A magnetron in the microwave oven produces microwaves. The microwaves move into the area under the oven floor. There they bounce off the mixing antenna into the oven where they contact the food.



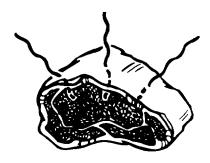
Microwaves pass through most glass, paper, and plastics without heating them so food absorbs the energy. Microwaves bounce off metal containers so food does not absorb the energy.



Microwaves may not reach the center of a roast. The heat spreads to the center from the outer, cooked areas just as in regular oven cooking. This is one of the reasons for letting some foods (for example, roasts or baked potatoes) stand for a while after cooking, or for stirring some foods during the cooking time.

The microwaves disturb water molecules in the food. As the molecules bounce around bumping into each other, heat is made, like rubbing your hands together. This is the heat that does the cooking.

NOTE: Do not deep fry in the oven. Microwavable utensils are not suitable and it is difficult to maintain appropriate deep frying temperatures.



For the best cooking results

- Always cook food for the minimum recommended cooking time. If necessary, touch ADD MINUTE while the oven is operating or after it has completed the cooking cycle (see "Using ADD MINUTE" in the "Using Your Microwave" section for more information). Then check for doneness to avoid overcooking the food.
- Stir, turn over, or rearrange the food being cooked about halfway through the cooking time for all recipes. This will help you make sure food is cooked evenly.
- If you cannot find a glass cover, use wax paper, paper towels, or microwaveapproved plastic wrap. Turn back a corner to vent steam during cooking.

Radio interference

Using your microwave oven may cause interference to your radio, TV, or similar equipment. When there is interference, you can reduce it or remove it by:

- Cleaning the door and sealing surfaces of the oven.
- Adjusting the receiving antenna of the radio or television.
- Moving the receiver away from the microwave oven.
- Plugging the microwave oven into a different outlet so that the microwave oven and receiver are on different branch circuits.

Testing your microwave oven

To test the oven put about 1 cup of cold

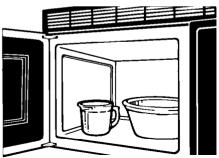


water in a glass container in the oven. Close the door. Make sure it latches. Follow the directions in the "Cooking at high cook power" section

to set the oven to cook for 2 minutes. When the time is up, the water should be heated.

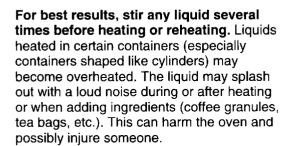
Testing your dinnerware or cookware

Test dinnerware or cookware before using. To test a dish for safe use, put it into the oven with a cup of water beside it. Cook at 100% cook power for one minute. If the dish gets hot and water stays cool, do not use it. Some dishes (melamine, some ceramic dinnerware, etc.) absorb microwave energy, becoming too hot to handle and slowing cooking times. Cooking in metal containers not designed for microwave use could damage the oven, as could containers with hidden metal (twist-ties, foil lining, staples, metallic glaze or trim).



Operating safety precautions

Never cook or reheat a whole egg inside the shell. Steam buildup in whole eggs may cause them to burst and burn you, and possibly damage the oven. Slice hard-boiled eggs before heating. In rare cases, poached eggs have been known to explode. Cover poached eggs and allow a standing time of one minute before cutting into them.



Never pull on the door or allow a child to swing on it when the door is open. Injury could result.

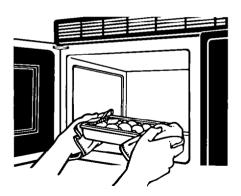




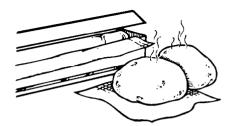
Stir before heating



Use hot pads. Microwave energy does not heat containers, but heat from the food can make the container hot.



Do not overcook potatoes. Fire could result. At the end of the recommended cooking time, potatoes should be slightly firm because they will continue cooking during standing time. **After microwaving, wrap** potatoes in foil and **set aside** for 5 minutes. They will finish cooking while standing.

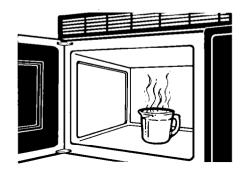


Do not start a microwave oven when it is empty. Product life may be shortened.

If you practice programming the oven,

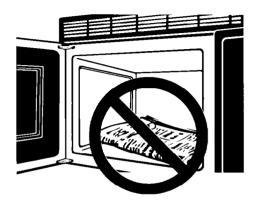
put a container of water in the oven.

It is normal for the oven door to look wavy after the oven has been running for a while.



Do not use newspaper or other printed paper in the oven. Fire could result.

Do not dry flowers, fruit, herbs, wood, paper, gourds, or clothes in the oven. Fire could result.

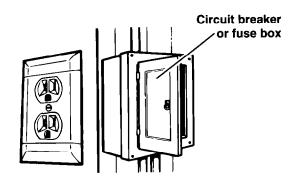


Do not try to melt paraffin wax in the oven. Paraffin wax will not melt in a microwave oven because it allows microwaves to pass through it.

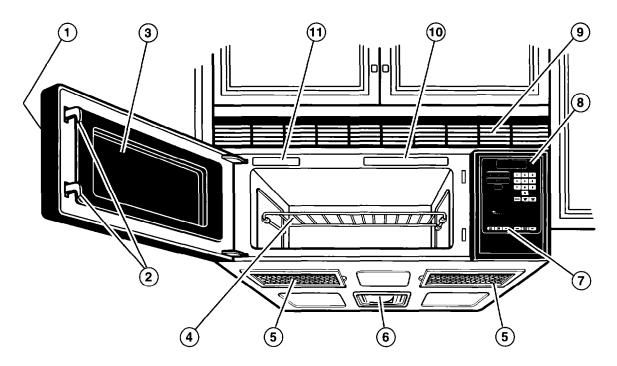


Electrical connection

If your electric power line or outlet voltage is less than 110 volts, cooking times may be longer. Have a qualified electrician check your electrical system.



Microwave oven features



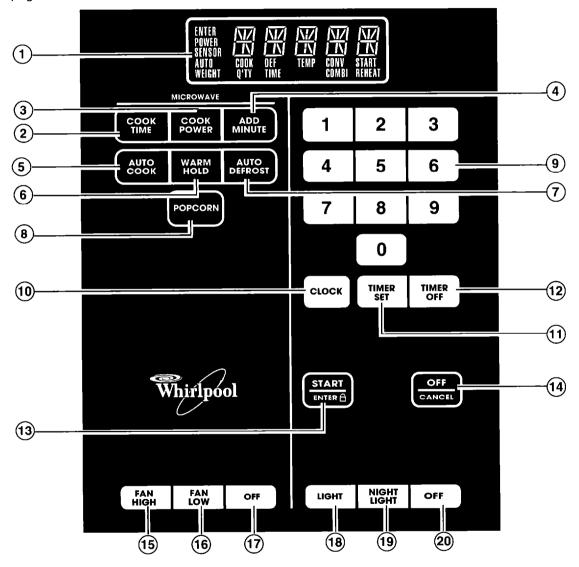
Your microwave oven is designed to make your cooking experience as enjoyable and productive as possible. To get you up and running quickly, the following is a list of the oven's basic features:

- 1. Door Handle. Pull to open door.
- 2. Door Safety Lock System. The oven will not operate unless the door is securely closed.
- Window with Metal Shield. Shield prevents microwaves from escaping. It is designed as a screen to allow you to view food as it cooks.
- 4. Two-Position Bi-Level Cooking Rack Accessory (optional). Use for extra space when cooking in more than one container at the same time. See page 20 for more information.

- **5. Filter.** See page 39 for cleaning information.
- Cooktop/Countertop Light. Turn on to light your cooktop or countertop or turn on as a night light. See pages 18 and 41 for more information.
- Exhaust Fan and Cooktop Light Switches. See pages 16-19 for more information.
- 8. Control Panel. Touch the pads on this panel to perform all functions. See pages 13-15 for more information.
- 9. Vent Grille.
- Cooking Guide. Use as a quick reference for Auto Cook and Auto Defrost settings.
- 11. Model and Serial Number Plate.

Control panel features

Your microwave oven control panel lets you select the desired cooking function quickly and easily. All you have to do is touch the necessary Command Pad. The following is a list of all the Command and Number Pads located on the control panel. For more information, see pages 15-37.



- Display. The Display includes a clock and indicators to tell you time of day, cooking time settings, and cooking functions selected.
- 2. COOK TIME. Touch this pad followed by Number Pads to set a cooking time. See pages 23, 25, and 26 for more information.

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- 3. COOK POWER. Touch this pad after the cook time has been set, followed by a Number Pad to set the amount of microwave energy released to cook the food. The higher the number, the higher the microwave power or "cooking speed." See page 24 for more information. See the "Microwave cooking chart" on page 44 for specific Cook Powers to use for the foods you are cooking.
- 4. ADD MINUTE. Touch this pad to cook for one minute, at 100% Cook Power, or to add an extra minute, at the set Cook Power, to your cooking cycle. See page 36 for more information.
- AUTO COOK. Touch this pad to cook common microwave-prepared foods without needing to program times and Cook Powers. See page 27 for more information.
- 6. WARM HOLD. Touch this pad to keep hot, cooked foods safely warm in your microwave oven for up to 99 minutes, 99 seconds. WARM HOLD can be used by itself, or it can automatically follow a cooking cycle. See page 34 for more information.
- 7. AUTO DEFROST. Touch this pad followed by Number Pads to thaw frozen meat by weight. See page 29 for more information.
- 8. POPCORN. Touch this pad when popping popcorn in your microwave oven. The oven will automatically heat for a preset time at a preset Cook Power. See page 35 for more information.
- Number Pads. Touch Number Pads to enter cooking times, Cook Powers, quantities, weights, or food categories.
- 10. CLOCK. Touch this pad to enter the correct time of day. See page 21 for more information.
- TIMER SET. Touch this pad to set the Minute Timer. See page 22 for more information.

- **12. TIMER OFF.** Touch this pad to cancel the Minute Timer. See pages 17, 19 and 22 for more information.
- 13. START/ENTER. Touch this pad to start a function. If you open the door after the oven begins to cook, retouch START/ ENTER. Also touch this pad to activate or deactivate the safety lock feature. See page 15 for more information.
- 14. OFF/CANCEL. Touch this pad to erase an incorrect command, cancel a program during cooking, or to clear the Display. See page 15 for more information.
- FAN HIGH. Touch this pad to turn on the fan at high speed. See page 16 for more information.
- FAN LOW. Touch this pad to turn on the fan at low speed. See page 16 for more information.
- 17. **OFF.** Touch this pad to turn off the fan. See page 16 for more information.
- **18. LIGHT.** Touch this pad to turn on the cooktop/countertop light. See page 18 for more information.
- NIGHT LIGHT. Touch this pad to turn on the cooktop/countertop night light. See page 18 for more information.
- **20. OFF.** Touch this pad to turn off the cooktop/countertop light. See page 18 for more information.

NOTES:

- If you have entered all settings for a function but do not touch the Start/Enter pad in 5 seconds, the Start indicator light will flash.
- If you open the door while the oven is on and then shut the door, the Start indicator light will flash. Touch START/ENTER to restart the oven.
- If you choose a function but do not press another command pad within 1 minute, the display returns to the time of day and you have to start over.

Audible signals

Audible signals are available to guide you when setting and using your oven:

- A programming tone will sound each time you touch a pad.
- One long tone signals the end of a Minute Timer countdown.
- Four tones signal the end of a cooking cycle.
- Two tones sound once every minute after an End-of-Cooking signal as a reminder if food has not been removed from oven.
- Two consecutive, short tones will sound while entering and exiting from a hidden feature, Time of Day, or next highest priority display.
- Three tones sound if you have made an incorrect entry.

To disable audible signals:

 Touch and hold Number Pad 1 for 4 seconds to disable programming tone, End-of-Cooking, End-of-Cycle, Data Entry, Invalid Entry, and Reminder signals.

To turn signals back on:

Repeat steps under "To disable audible signals" above.

NOTE: Two tones will sound when audible signals are turned on or off.

Interrupting cooking

You can stop the oven during a cycle by opening the door. The oven stops heating and the fan stops, but the light stays on.

To restart cooking, close the door and

TOUCH



If you do not want to continue cooking:

• Close the door and the light goes off.

OR

• TOUCH



Using the safety lock

The safety lock prevents unwanted use of the microwave oven by disabling the control panel Command Pads.

To lock or deactivate the control panel:

Touch and hold START/ENTER for four seconds. Three tones, followed by two tones, will sound and LOC will appear on the Display.

To cancel the safety lock:

Touch and hold START/ENTER for four seconds. Two tones will sound and LOC will be cleared from the Display.

Using your cooktop under the hood

- Do not leave the area when using your cooktop at a high setting. Accidental fires from boilovers or spattering on the surface unit could spread, especially if the exhaust fan is operating.
- Do not "flame" foods on the cooktop. The fan, if operating, could spread the flame and cause personal injury or property damage.

NOTE: This appliance is suitable for use above both gas and electric cooking equipment 36 inches wide or less.

Using the exhaust fan

The three pads on the bottom left of the control panel control the 2-speed Exhaust Fan. FAN FAN OFF

1. Choose fan speed.

NOTE: If the temperature gets too hot around the microwave oven, the exhaust fan in the vent hood will automatically turn on at the LOW setting to protect the oven. It may stay on up to an hour to cool the oven. When this occurs, the Fan OFF Pad will not turn the fan off.

FAN HIGH

TOUCH

OR

FAN LOW

2. Turn off fan when desired.

TOUCH

OFF

To set fan to run for a specific time:

NOTE: The Minute Timer must not be in use when starting this feature.

1. Start fan.

TOUCH

FAN HIGH

OR

FAN LOW

2. Touch TIMER SET.

NOTE: If both the fan and light are operating and the TIMER SET Pad is touched twice, both the fan and light will be controlled by the timer. The Display will alternate between "FAN" and "LIGHT" one time before "HR:MN" is displayed.

TOUCH

TIMER SET

TIMER SET

(twice within 3 seconds)

YOU SEE





Then:



3. Set fan run time.

Example to run fan for 1 hour and 30 minutes:

TOUCH







YOU SEE



4. Start timed fan feature.

NOTES:

- The letter "F" indicates the timed fan feature has been selected.
- If both the timed fan and light features have been selected, an "H" (Hood) will be displayed.

TOUCH



OR



YOU SEE



To check the remaining fan time during a cooking cycle:

TOUCH

TIMER SET

To cancel the timed fan feature:

NOTE: Touching the TIMER OFF Pad shuts off both the fan and timed feature. Touching the Fan OFF Pad shuts off just the fan.

TOUCH

TIMER OFF

Using the cooktop/countertop light The three pads on the bottom right of the **NIGHT** control panel control the cooktop/countertop LIGHT **OFF** LIGHT light. 1. Turn on light. **TOUCH** LIGHT OR **NIGHT** LIGHT 2. Turn off light when desired. **TOUCH OFF** To set light to be on for a specific time: NOTE: The Minute Timer must not be in

1. Turn on light.

use when starting this feature.

TOUCH
LIGHT
OR
NIGHT
LIGHT

2. Touch TIMER SET.

NOTE: If both the fan and light are operating and the TIMER SET Pad is touched twice, both the fan and light will be controlled by the timer. The Display will alternate between "FAN" and "LIGHT" one time before "HR:MN" is displayed.

TIMER SET

YOU SEE

TIMER SET

(twice within 3 seconds)

3. Set light on time.

Example to turn light on for two hours:

TOUCH

2

0

YOU SEE

Z: 00

4. Start timed light feature.

NOTES:

- The letter "L" indicates the timed light feature has been selected.
- If both the timed light and fan features have been selected, an "H" (Hood) will be displayed.

TOUCH

START ENTER A

YOU SEE



OR

TIMER SET

To check the remaining light time during a cooking cycle:

TOUCH

TIMER SET

To cancel the timed light feature:

NOTE: Touching the TIMER OFF Pad shuts off both the light and timed feature. Touching the light OFF Pad shuts off just the light.

TOUCH

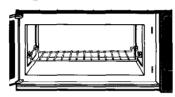
TIMER OFF

Using the bi-level cooking rack

You can order a Bi-Level Cooking Rack (Part No. 4358803) from your Whirlpool dealer for extra space when cooking in more than one container at the same time. The metal rack can be turned upside-down to help fit taller containers on the bottom of the oven.

If your Whirlpool dealer does not stock the rack, you can order it, by part number, by calling **1-800-253-1301** and following the instructions and telephone prompts you hear.

Inserting the rack



First position: Insert the rack securely into the rack supports on the side walls of the oven.



Second position: Turn rack upside-down when using a taller container on the bottom of the oven.

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Burn Hazard

Use oven mitts to remove items from microwave.

Do not touch areas near oven vent openings during use.

Failure to follow these instructions can result in burns.

NOTES:

- **Do not store** the metal rack in the oven. Arcing and damage to the oven could result if someone accidentally starts the oven.
- Do not operate the oven with the metal rack stored on the floor of the oven.
 Damage to the interior finish will result.
- Use rack only in the microwave oven.
- Do not use rack with browning dish.
- **Do not let food** container on rack touch the top or sides of the oven.
- Do not cook foods directly on rack without putting them in containers first.
- Do not place a metal cooking container on rack. Place a microwave-safe plate under container.
- Only use the Bi-Level Cooking Rack when cooking at more than one level.

Setting the clock

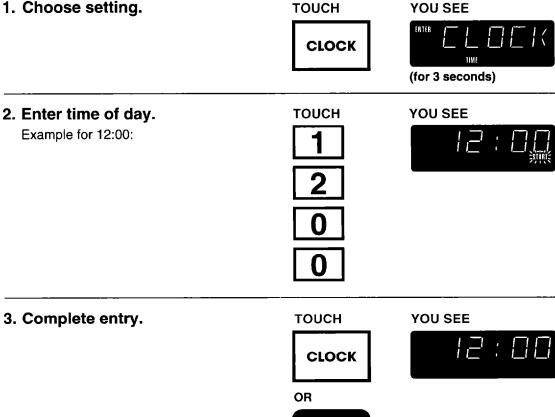
When your microwave oven is first plugged in or after a power failure, the Display will show "88:88." For the first 30 seconds after the power is on, you can set the clock time without touching CLOCK. After 30 seconds has gone by, you must follow the directions below to set the time. If a time of day is not set, "88:88" will show on the Display until you touch CLOCK.

To set time:

1. Choose setting.

NOTES:

- You can set the clock even while the oven is cooking food.
- If you enter an incorrect time and touch CLOCK, three tones will sound. Enter the correct time.
- If you touch OFF/CANCEL while setting the clock, the Display will show the last time of day set or ":" if no time of day has been set.



ENTER

Using the Minute Timer

You can use your microwave oven as a minute timer. Use the Minute Timer for timing up to 99 minutes, 99 seconds.

NOTE: The oven can operate while the Minute Timer is in use. To see the Minute Timer while the oven is cooking, touch TIMER SET.

1. Touch TIMER SET.

TIMER SET

TOUCH

YOU SEE



After 1 second:

2. Enter time to be counted down.

Example for 1 minute, 30 seconds:

NOTE: If you enter more than 4 digits, three tones will sound. Touch START/
ENTER to count down the 3-digit time you have entered or touch TIMER OFF to clear the Display. To start over, touch TIMER SET and re-enter desired time.

тоисн **1**

3

YOU SEE



3. Start countdown.

NOTE: If you do not do this step within three seconds of doing Step 2, "START" will flash. You then have 1 minute to touch START/ENTER or TIMER SET before the Display returns to time of day.

TOUCH

START ENTER A

OR

TIMER SET **YOU SEE**



At end of countdown:

YOU SEE



(one tone will sound)

To cancel Minute Timer:

TOUCH

TIMER OFF YOU SEE



(time of day)

Using Your Microwave Oven

This section gives you instructions for operating each function. Please read these instructions carefully.

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Cooking at high cook power

- 1. Put food in oven and close the door.
- 2. Set cooking time.

TOUCH

COOK



YOU SEE



Example for 1 minute, 30 seconds:

TOUCH





YOU SEE



3. Start oven.

NOTE: If you do not do this step within three seconds of doing Step 2, START will flash. You then have one minute to touch START/ENTER before the display returns to time of day.

At end of cooking time:

TOUCH



YOU SEE



YOU SEE



(four tones will sound)

Cooking at different cook powers

For best results, some recipes call for different Cook Powers. The lower the Cook Power, the slower the cooking. Each Number Pad also stands for a different percentage of Cook Power. Many microwave cookbook recipes tell you by number, percent, or name which Cook Power to use.

The following chart gives the percentage of Cook Power each Number Pad stands for, and the Cook Power name usually used. It also tells you when to use each Cook Power. Follow recipe or food package instructions if available.

COOK POWER	NAME	WHEN TO USE IT
10=100% of full power	High	 Quick heating many convenience foods and foods with high water content, such as soups and beverages Cooking small tender pieces of meat, ground meat, poultry pieces, fish fillets, and vegetables
9=90% of full power		Heating cream soups
8=80% of full power		Heating rice, pasta, or casseroles
7=70% of full power	Medium-High	 Cooking and heating foods that need a Cook Power lower than high (for example, whole fish and meat loaf) or when food is cooking too fast Reheating a single serving of food
6=60% of full power		 Cooking requiring special care, such as cheese and egg dishes, pudding, and custards Finishing cooking casseroles
5=50% of full power	Medium	Cooking ham, whole poultry, and pot roastsMelting chocolate
4=40% of full power		Simmering stewsHeating pastries
3=30% of full power	Medium-Low, Defrost	 Defrosting foods, such as bread, fish, meats, poultry, and precooked foods
2=20% of full power		Softening butter, cheese, and ice cream
1=10% of full power	Low	Keeping food warmTaking chill out of fruit

NOTE: Once cook time has been entered you can also use the Cook Power pad as a second Minute Timer by entering "0" for the Cook Power. The oven will count down the cooking time you set without cooking.

USING YOUR MICROWAVE OVEN

1. Put food in oven and close the door.

2. Set cooking time. TOUCH YOU SEE СООК TIME **TOUCH** YOU SEE Example for 7 minutes, 30 seconds: ENTER 3. Set Cook Power. TOUCH YOU SEE COOK **POWER** TOUCH **YOU SEE** Example for 50% Cook Power: 4. Start oven. TOUCH YOU SEE NOTE: If you do not do this step within three seconds of doing Step 3, START COOK will flash. You then have one minute to touch START/ENTER before the Display returns to time of day. YOU SEE At end of cooking time: (four tones will sound)

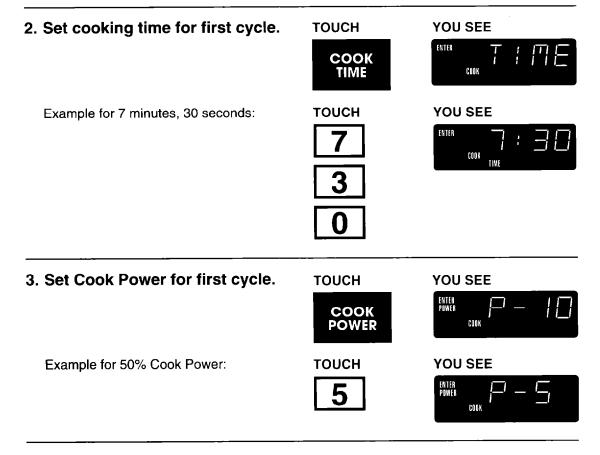
Changing instructions

You can change the cooking time or Cook Power any time by repeating Steps 2 and/or 3 and 4.

Cooking with more than one cook cycle

For best results, some recipes call for one Cook Power for a certain length of time, and another Cook Power for another length of time. Your oven can be set to change from one to another automatically, for up to two cycles.

1. Put food in oven and close the door.



4. Repeat Steps 2 and 3 to set cooking time and Cook Power for second cycle.

USING YOUR MICROWAVE OVEN

5. Start oven.

TOUCH

START ENTER A

YOU SEE



(first cycle)

YOU SEE



(four tones will sound)

At end of cooking time:

will count down.

Changing instructions

You can change times or Cook Powers for a cycle any time after that cycle starts by repeating Steps 2 and/or 3 and 4.

After the first cycle is over, the next cycle

Using AUTO COOK

Cooking with AUTO COOK lets you cook common microwave-prepared foods without needing to program times and Cook Powers. AUTO COOK has preset times and Cook Powers for five major food categories: Casseroles, Baked Potatoes, Baked Goods, Fresh/Canned Vegetables, and Frozen Vegetables.

NOTE: See the "Microwave cooking chart" in the "Cooking Guide" section for cooking with Cook Power and cooking time.

To use AUTO COOK:

- 1. Touch AUTO COOK 1 to 5 times to select the desired category.
- 2. Wait 4 seconds.
- 3. Touch AUTO COOK again to increase the number of servings or items. See chart below for quantities:

The number of servings/items you can cook are shown in the chart below:

CATEGORY	NUMBER OF CUPS/ITEMS	TOUCH AUTO COOK
Casseroles	1-2	once
Baked Potatoes	1-4	twice
Baked Goods	1-2	3 times
Fresh/Canned Vegetables	1-4	4 times
Frozen Vegetables	1-4	5 times

USING YOUR MICROWAVE OVEN

1. Put food in oven and close the door.

2. Choose AUTO COOK.

Example for Casseroles:

AUTO COOK (once) YOU SEE

AUTO COOK SRLE

After 3 seconds:

COOK O'TY

3. To increase cups/items:

AUTO COOK **YOU SEE**



4. Start oven (optional).

If you do not touch START/ENTER, the oven will start cooking 3 seconds after you complete the previous step.

At end of cooking time:

TOUCH



YOU SEE



YOU SEE



(four tones will sound)

Using AUTO DEFROST

Your microwave oven automatically defrosts a variety of common meats at preset Cook Powers for preset times. The 3-stage defrost cycle is programmed for meat, poultry, and fish. All you do is touch the Command Pad assigned to the desired category and enter the weight of the items being defrosted. Your microwave oven does the rest.

1. Put frozen food in oven and close the door.

NOTES:

- See the "Auto defrost chart" for defrosting directions for each food.
- To defrost items not listed in the "Auto defrost chart" use 30% Cook Power. Refer to a reliable cookbook for defrosting information.

2. Choose food categorgy.

Example for Meat:

To select categories, follow this chart:

CATEGORY	Meat	Poultry	Fish
TOUCH AUTO DEFROST	once	twice	three times

TOUCH



(once)

YOU SEE



Then:



3. Enter food's weight (in pounds and tenths of a pound).

Example for 1.2 lbs:

NOTES:

- For converting fractions of a pound to decimals, see the "Weight conversion chart."
- If you enter an incorrect weight, touch AUTO DEFROST again and enter the correct weight.

TOUCH





YOU SEE



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USING YOUR MICROWAVE OVEN

4. Start oven.

TOUCH

START ENTER A

YOU SEE



5. After half the cook time is over, Display will prompt you to turn over food while oven continues to defrost.

Open door, turn over food, and shield any warm portions.

NOTE: If you do not open the door within two minutes, the Display will resume the countdown.

Close the door.

YOU SEE





YOU SEE



6. Restart oven.

At end of defrosting time:

TOUCH



YOU SEE



(time remaining)

YOU SEE



(four tones will sound)

Auto defrost chart

Meat setting

FOOD	AT PAUSE	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
Beef		Meat of irregular shape and large, fatty cuts of meat should have the narrow or fatty areas shielded with foil at the beginning of a defrost cycle.
Ground Beef, Bulk	Remove thawed portions with fork. Turn over. Return remainder to oven.	Do not defrost less than ¼ lb. Freeze in doughnut shape.
Ground Beef, Patties	Separate and rearrange.	Do not defrost less than two 4 oz patties. Depress center when freezing.
Round Steak	Turn over. Cover warm areas with aluminum foil.	Place on a microwavable roasting rack.
Tenderloin Steak	Turn over. Cover warm areas with aluminum foil.	Place on a microwavable roasting rack.
Stew Beef	Remove thawed portions with fork. Separate remainder. Return remainder to oven.	Place in a microwavable baking dish.
Pot Roast, Chuck Roast	Turn over. Cover warm areas with aluminum foil.	Place on a microwavable roasting rack.
Rib Roast	Turn over. Cover warm areas with aluminum foil.	Place on a microwavable roasting rack.
Rolled Rump Roast	Turn over. Cover warm areas with aluminum foil.	Place on a microwavable roasting rack.
Lamb		
Cubes for Stew	Remove thawed portions with fork. Return remainder to oven.	Place in a microwavable baking dish.
Chops (1 inch thick)	Separate and rearrange.	Place on a microwavable roasting rack.
Pork		
Chops (½ inch thick)	Separate and rearrange.	Place on a microwavable roasting rack.
Hot Dogs	Separate and rearrange.	Place on a microwavable roasting rack.
Spareribs, Country-Style Ribs	Turn over. Cover warm areas with aluminum foil.	Place on a microwavable roasting rack.
Sausage, Links	Separate and rearrange.	Place on a microwavable roasting rack.
Sausage, Bulk	Remove thawed portions with fork. Turn over. Return remainder to oven.	Place in a microwavable baking dish.
Loin Roast, Boneless	Turn over. Cover warm areas with aluminum foil.	Place on a microwavable roasting rack.

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Fish setting

FOOD	AT PAUSE	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
Fish		
Fillets	Turn over. Separate fillets when partially thawed.	Place in a microwavable baking dish. Carefully separate fillets under cold water.
Steaks	Separate and rearrange.	Place in a microwavable baking dish. Run cold water over to finish defrosting.
Whole	Turn over.	Place in a microwavable baking dish. Cover head and tail with foil; do not let foil touch sides of microwave oven. Finish defrosting by immersing in cold water.
Shell Fish		
Crabmeat	Break apart. Turn over.	Place in a microwavable baking dish.
Lobster Tails	Turn over and rearrange.	Place in a microwavable baking dish.
Shrimp	Separate and rearrange.	Place in a microwavable baking dish.
Scallops	Separate and rearrange.	Place in a microwavable baking dish.

Poultry setting

FOOD	AT PAUSE	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
Chicken		
Whole (up to 9½ lbs)	Turn over (finish defrosting breast-side down). Cover warm areas with aluminum foil.	Place chicken breast-side up on a microwavable roasting rack. Finish defrosting by immersing in cold water. Remove giblets when chicken is partially defrosted.
Cut Up	Separate pieces and rearrange.	Place on a microwavable roasting rack.
	Turn over. Cover warm areas with aluminum foil.	Finish defrosting by immersing in cold water.
Cornish Hens		
Whole	Turn over. Cover warm areas with aluminum foil.	Place on a microwavable roasting rack. Finish defrosting by immersing in cold water.
Turkey		
Breast (under 6 lbs)	Turn over. Cover warm areas with aluminum foil.	Place on a microwavable roasting rack. Finish defrosting by immersing in cold water.

Weight conversion chart

You are probably used to food weights as being in pounds and ounces that are fractions of a pound (for example 4 ounces equals ¼ pound). However, in order to enter food weight in AUTO DEFROST, you must specify pounds and tenths of a pound.

If the weight on the food package is in fractions of a pound, you can use the following chart to convert the weight to decimals.

NUMB	ER AFTER DECIMAL	EQUIVALENT OUNCE WEIGHT
.10		1.6
.20		3.2
.25	One-Quarter Pound	4.0
.30		4.8
.40		6.4
.50	One-Half Pound	8.0
.60		9.6
.70		11.2
.75	Three-Quarters Pound	12.0
.80		12.8
.90		14.4
1.00	One Pound	16.0

Defrosting tips

- When using AUTO DEFROST, the weight to be entered is the net weight in pounds and tenths of pounds (the weight of the food minus the container).
- Only use AUTO DEFROST for raw food. AUTO DEFROST gives best results when food to be thawed is a minimum of 0°F. If food has been stored in a refrigerator-freezer that does not maintain a temperature of 0°F or below, always program a lower food weight (for a shorter defrosting time) to prevent cooking the food.
- If the food is kept outside the freezer for up to 20 minutes, enter a lower food weight.
- If the food is kept outside the freezer for more than 20 minutes, and for defrosting ready-made food, defrost by time and power and let stand after defrosting.
- The shape of the package alters the defrosting time. Shallow rectangular packets defrost more quickly than a deep block.

- Separate pieces as they begin to defrost. Separated pieces defrost more easily.
- You can use small pieces of aluminum foil to shield foods like chicken wings, leg tips, and fish tails, but the foil must not touch the side of the oven. Foil can damage the oven lining.
- Shield areas of food with small pieces of foil if they start to become warm. Make sure the foil does not touch the sides, top, or bottom of the oven.
- For better results, a preset standing time is included in the defrosting time. This may make the defrosting time seem longer than expected. (For more information on standing time, see "Microwave cooking tips" in the "Cooking Guide" section.)

USING YOUR MICROWAVE OVEN

Using WARM HOLD

You can safely keep hot, cooked food warm in your microwave oven for up to 99 minutes, 99 seconds (about 1 hour, 40 minutes). You can use WARM HOLD by itself, or to automatically follow a cooking cycle.

NOTES:

- WARM HOLD operates for up to 99 minutes, 99 seconds.
- Opening the oven door cancels WARM HOLD. Close the door and touch WARM HOLD, if additional WARM HOLD time is desired.
- 1. Put hot, cooked food in oven and close the door.

- Food cooked covered should be covered during WARM HOLD.
- Pastry items (pies, turnovers, etc.) should be uncovered during WARM HOLD.
- Complete meals kept warm on a dinner plate should be covered during WARM HOLD.
- Do not use more than one complete WARM HOLD cycle (about 1 hour, 40 minutes). The quality of some foods will suffer with extended time.

2. Choose setting.

TOUCH

WARM HOLD

YOU SEE

WARM

3. Start oven (optional).

If you do not touch START/ENTER, the oven will start cooking 3 seconds after you complete the previous step.

TOUCH

START ENTER A YOU SEE



To make WARM HOLD automatically follow another cycle:

- While you are touching in cooking instructions, touch WARM HOLD before touching START/ENTER.
- When the last cooking cycle is over, you will hear two tones. "WARM" will come on while the oven continues to run.
- You can set WARM HOLD to follow AUTO DEFROST, COOK, or multi-cycle cooking.

Using POPCORN

POPCORN lets you pop commercially packaged microwave popcorn by touching just one pad. Pop only one package at a time. If you are using a microwave popcorn popper, follow manufacturer's instructions. You can set your microwave oven to pop different size bags of popcorn. You specify the setting by the number of times you touch POPCORN.

Cooking performance may vary with brand and fat content. Try several brands to decide which gives best popping results. For best results, use fresh bags of popcorn.

NOTE: If you want to change the popping time after choosing POPCORN, see "Adding or subtracting cook time."

1. Place bag in oven and close door.



Fire Hazard

Do not repop unpopped kernels.

Do not reuse popcorn bags.

Doing so can result in death, fire, or burns.

2. Choose POPCORN.

Example for 3.5 oz regular bags.

To correctly set your microwave oven, follow this chart:

Bag size - ounces	3.5	3.0	1.75
Touch POPCORN	once	twice	three times

After three seconds, oven starts popping popcorn:

TOUCH

POPCORN

(once)

YOU SEE



YOU SEE



(time counts down)

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Every 10 seconds the Display will alternate between "POP-" and "CORN" and then show the time remaining.

At end of popping time:

YOU SEE







(time remaining)

YOU SEE



(four tones will sound)

Using ADD MINUTE

ADD MINUTE lets you cook food for one minute at 100% Cook Power or add an extra minute to your cooking cycle. You can also use it to extend cooking time in multiples of one minute, up to 99 minutes.

NOTES:

- To extend cooking time in multiples of one minute, touch ADD MINUTE repeatedly during cooking.
- You can enter ADD MINUTE only after closing the door, after touching OFF/ CANCEL, or during cooking.
- 1. Make sure food is in oven.

- If you touch ADD MINUTE during cooking, the oven will cook at the currently selected Cook Power. If you touch ADD MINUTE after cooking is over, the oven will cook at 100% Cook Power.
- You cannot use ADD MINUTE with POPCORN, AUTO COOK, or AUTO DEFROST.
- You cannot use ADD MINUTE to start the oven if any program, other than the Minute Timer, is on the Display.

2. Choose ADD MINUTE.

Example for cooking for one minute:

TOUCH

ADD MINUTE

YOU SEE



USING YOUR MICROWAVE OVEN

Adding or subtracting cook time

If a preset cook time is too long or too short, you can increase or decrease the cook time by 10% after choosing AUTO COOK or POPCORN. You can only increase or decrease cook time before cooking starts.

To increase cook time by 10%:

TOUCH

9

YOU SEE

(example for auto cook)

To decrease cook time by 10%:

TOUCH

7

YOU SEE



To reset to the original cook time:

TOUCH

8

YOU SEE



Caring for Your Microwave Oven

To make sure your microwave oven looks good and works well for a long time, you should maintain it properly. For proper care, please follow these instructions carefully.

For interior surfaces: Wash often with warm, sudsy water and a sponge or soft cloth. Use only mild, nonabrasive soaps or a mild detergent. Be sure to keep the areas clean where the door and oven frame touch when closed. Wipe well with clean water. Over time, stains can occur on the surfaces as the result of food particles spattering during cooking. This is normal.

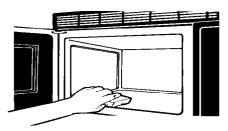
For stubborn soil, **boil** a cup of water in the oven for 2 or 3 minutes. Steam will soften the soil. To get rid of odors inside the oven, **boil** a cup of water with lemon juice or vinegar.

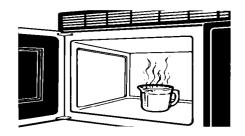
For exterior surfaces and control panel: Use a soft cloth with spray glass cleaner. Apply the spray glass cleaner to the soft cloth; do not spray directly on the oven.

NOTE: Abrasive cleansers, steel-wool pads, gritty wash cloths, some paper towels, etc., can damage the control panel and the interior and exterior oven surfaces.

Cleaning the bi-level cooking rack

- Wash by hand with a mild detergent and a soft or nylon scrub brush. Dry completely.
- Do not use abrasive scrubbers or cleansers to clean rack.





Caring for the filters

Do not allow grease and soil to build up in the grease filters. It will decrease the exhaust fan efficiency. Remove and clean grease filters at least once a month. When you have removed a grease filter or a charcoal filter remember to replace the filter before you operate the hood.

NOTE: If your microwave hood combination is installed to recirculate air, the charcoal filter (Part No.4359416) should be installed. The charcoal filter cannot be cleaned and should be replaced every 6-12 months.

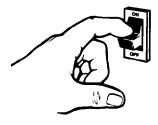
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Electrical Shock Hazard

Disconnect power before removing vent cover.

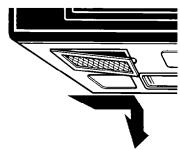
Replace all panels before operating. Failure to do so can result in death or electrical shock.

Before removing filters:

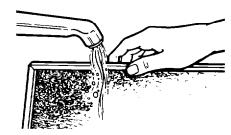


• For your personal safety, **turn off** the electric power at the main power supply.

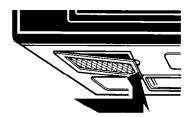
Grease filters:



 To remove grease filters, slide each filter to the side. Pull filters downward and push to the other side. The filter will drop out.



2. Soak grease filters in hot water and a mild detergent. Scrub and swish to remove embedded dirt and grease. Rinse well and shake to dry. Do not clean filters with ammonia, corrosive cleaning agents such as lye-based oven cleaners, or place them in a dishwasher. The filters will turn black or could be damaged.



3. To replace grease filters, slide filter in the frame slot on one side of the opening. Push filter upward and push to the other side to lock into place.

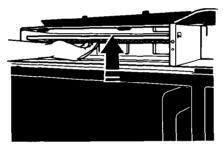
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Charcoal filter:

To remove:



- 1. Remove the vent cover mounting screws.
- 2. Tip the cover forward, then lift out to remove.



3. Lift the back of the charcoal filter. Slide the filter straight out.

2. **Slide** the bottom of the vent cover into place. **Push** the top until it snaps into place. **Replace** the mounting screws.

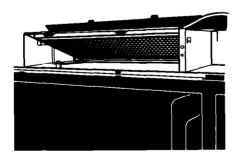
After replacing filters:

• Turn the power back on at the main power supply.



• **Do not operate** the hood without the filters in place.

To replace:



1. **Slide** a new charcoal filter into place. The filter should rest at the angle shown.

Replacing the cooktop and oven lights

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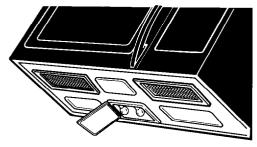


Fire Hazard

Use only candelabra-base bulbs, 30-watt maximum.

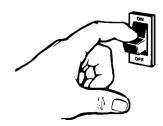
Turn off power at main power supply before replacing the light bulb.

Failure to follow the above could result in fire or electrical shock.



- 2. Remove the bulb cover mounting screws.
- 3. We recommend replacing bulb(s) with candelabra-base 30-watt bulb(s) available from your authorized Whirlpool service company (Part No. 4158432).
- **4. Turn** the power back on at the main power supply.

The cooktop light



1. Turn off power at the main power supply.

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The oven light

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Electrical Shock Hazard

Disconnect power before removing vent cover.

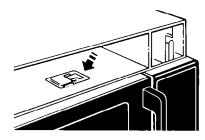
Replace all panels before operating. Failure to do so can result in death or electrical shock.



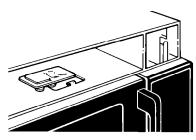
1. Turn off power at the main power supply.



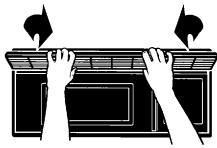
- 2. Remove the vent cover mounting screws.
- 3. **Tip** the cover forward, then **lift out** to remove.



4. Remove bulb holder mounting screw.



- 5. Lift up the bulb holder.
- 6. We recommend replacing the bulb with a candelabra-base 30-watt bulb available from your authorized Whirlpool service company (Part No. 4158432).
- **7. Replace** the bulb holder and mounting screw.



Slide the top of the vent cover into place.
 Push the bottom until it snaps into place.
 Replace the mounting screws. Turn the power back on at the main power supply.

Cooking Guide

Reheating chart

Times are approximate and may need to be adjusted to individual taste.

ITEM	STARTING TEMP	TIME/POWER	PROCEDURE
Meat (Chicken pieces, chops, hamburgers,			Cover loosely.
meat loaf slices)			
1 serving	Refrigerated	1-2 min at 70%	
2 servings	Refrigerated	2½-4½ min at 70%	
Meat Slices (Beef, ham,	Room temp	45 sec-1 min per serving	Cover with gravy or wax
pork, turkey) 1 or more	Defices	at 50%	paper. Check after
servings	Refrigerated ————	1-3 min per serving at 50%	30 seconds per serving.
Stirrable Casseroles and Main Dishes			Cover. Stir after half the time.
1 serving	Refrigerated	2-4 min at 100%	
2 servings	Refrigerated	4-6 min at 100%	
4-6 servings	Refrigerated	6-8 min at 100%	
Nonstirrable Casseroles and Main Dishes			Cover with wax paper.
1 serving	Refrigerated	5-8 min at 50%	
2 servings	Refrigerated	9-12 min at 50%	
4-6 servings	Refrigerated	13-16 min at 50%	
Soup, Cream			Cover. Stir after half
1 cup	Refrigerated	3-41/2 min at 50%	the time.
1 can (10¾ oz)	Room temp	5-7 min at 50%	
Soup, Clear			Cover. Stir after half
1 cup	Refrigerated	21/2-31/2 min at 100%	the time.
1 can (10¾ oz)	Room temp	4-5½ min at 100%	
Pizza	-		Place on paper towel.
1 slice	Room temp	15-25 sec at 100%	
1 slice	Refrigerated	30-40 sec at 100%	
2 slices	Room temp	30-40 sec at 100%	
2 slices	Refrigerated	45-55 sec at 100%	
Vegetables			Cover. Stir after half
1 serving	Refrigerated	3/4-11/2 min at 100%	the time.
2 servings	Refrigerated	1½-2½ min at 100%	
Baked Potato			Cut potato lengthwise and
1	Refrigerated	1-2 min at 50%	then several times cross-
2	Refrigerated	2-3 min at 50%	wise. Cover with wax pap
Breads			Wrap single roll, bagel, or
(Dinner or breakfast roll)	D '	0.40 500/	muffin in paper towel. To
1 roll	Room temp	8-12 sec at 50%	reheat several, line plate
2 rolls 4 rolls	Room temp Room temp	11-15 sec at 100% 18-22 sec at 100%	with paper towel. Cover with another paper towel.
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Pie Whole	Refrigerated	5-7 min at 70%	Cover with paper towel.
1 slice	Refrigerated	30 sec at 100%	
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Microwave cooking chart

Times are approximate and may need to be adjusted to individual taste.

NOTE: See "Using AUTO COOK" in the "Using Your Microwave Oven" section for cooking without Cook Powers or cooking times.

MEATS, POULTRY, FISH, SEAFOOD Allow standing time after cooking.		VEGETABLES (continued) Cook at 100% Cook Power.			
	соок		FOOD		TIME
FOOD Bacon	POWER 100%	TIME 45 sec to	Cauliflower (medium head)	6-9 min
(per slice)		1 min 15 sec per slice	Corn on the C	ob	4-9 min
Ground Beef for Casse-	100%	4-6 min	(4)		6-16 min
roles (1 lb)			Potatoes, Bak (4 medium)	æd	13-19 min
Hamburger Patties (2)	100%	1st side 2 min 2nd side 1½ to 2½ min	Squash, Summer (1 lb))	3-8 min
Hamburger Patties (4)	100%	1st side 2½ min 2nd side 2-3 min	OTHER	соок	
Meat Loaf	100%	13-19 min	FOOD	POWER	TIME
(1½ lbs) Chicken	1000/	6-9 min/lb	Applesauce (4 servings)	100%	7-10 min
Pieces	100%		Baked	100%	4-6 min
Internal temperature should be 185°F after standing.		Apples (4)			
Turkey Breast the	100% <u>n</u> 70%	5 min 8-12 min/lb	Chocolate (melt 1 square)	50%	1-2 min
Internal tempe after standing.	rature shou	ıld be 185°F	Eggs, Scrambled	100%	
Fish Fillets (1 lb)	100%	5-6 min	(2)		1 min 15 sec to 1 min 45 sec
Scallops and Shrimp (1 lb)	100%	3½-5½ min	(4)		2-3 min
VEGETABLES Cook at 100%		ər.	Hot Cereals (1 serving) (4 servings)	100%	1½-5 min 4½-7 min
FOOD		TIME	Nachos	50%	1½-2½ min
Beans, Green Yellow (1 lb)	or	6-12 min	(large plate)	1000/	
Broccoli (1 lb))	6-10 min	Water for Beverage	100%	
Carrots (1 lb)		8-12 min	(1 cup) (2 cups)		2½-4 min 4½-6 min

Microwave cooking tips

Amount of food

- If you increase or decrease the amount of food you prepare, the time it takes to cook that food will also change. For example, if you double a recipe, add a little more than half the original cooking time.
 Check for doneness and, if necessary, add more time in small increments.
- If you want to cook two meals or containers of food at the same time, you can do so with the Bi-Level Cooking Rack. For example, you can cook two frozen dinners or reheat two plates of food by placing one on the rack and one under the rack.

Starting temperature of food

 The lower the temperature of the food being put into the microwave oven, the longer it takes to cook. Food at room temperature will be reheated more quickly than food at refrigerator temperature.

Composition of food

- Food with a lot of fat and sugar will be heated faster than food containing a lot of water. Fat and sugar will also reach a higher temperature than water in the cooking process.
- The more dense the food, the longer it takes to heat. "Very dense" food like meat takes longer to reheat than lighter, more porous food like sponge cakes.

Size and shape

- Smaller pieces of food will cook faster than larger pieces and same-shaped pieces of food cook more evenly than irregularly shaped foods.
- With unevenly shaped foods, the thinner parts will cook faster than the thicker areas.
 Place the thinner parts of chicken wings and legs in the center of the dish.

Stirring, turning foods

 Stirring and turning foods distributes heat quickly to the center of the dish and avoids overcooking at the outer edges of the food.

Covering food

Cover food to:

- Reduce splattering
- · Shorten cooking times
- · Retain food moisture

All coverings that allow microwaves to pass through are suitable.

Releasing pressure in foods

• Several foods (for example: baked potatoes, sausages, egg yolks, and some fruits) are tightly covered by a skin or membrane. This can cause the food to burst from steam building up in them during cooking. To relieve the pressure and to prevent bursting, pierce these foods before cooking with a fork, cocktail pick, or toothpick.

Using standing time

- Always allow food to stand for a while after cooking. Standing time after defrosting, cooking, or reheating always improves the result since the temperature will then be evenly distributed throughout the food.
- The length of the standing time depends on the volume and density of the food.
 Sometimes it can be as short as the time it takes you to remove the food from the oven and take it to the serving table. However, with larger, denser food, the standing time may be as long as 10 minutes.

Arranging food

For best results, distribute food evenly on the plate. You can do this in several ways:

- If you are cooking several items of the same food, such as baked potatoes, place them in a ring pattern for uniform cooking.
- When cooking foods of uneven shapes or thickness, such as chicken breasts, place the smaller or thinner area of the food towards the center of the dish where it will be heated last.
- Layer thin slices of meat on top of each other.
- When you cook or reheat whole fish, score the skin – this prevents cracking.
 Shield the tail and head of whole fish with small pieces of foil to prevent overcooking and ensure the foil does not touch the sides of the oven.
- Do not let food or container touch the top or sides of the oven. This will prevent possible arcing.

Using aluminum foil

Metal containers should not be used in a microwave oven. There are, however, some exceptions. If you have purchased food which is prepackaged in an aluminum foil container, then refer to the instructions on the package. When using aluminum foil containers, cooking times may be longer because microwaves will only penetrate the top of the food.

If you use aluminum containers without package instructions, follow these guidelines:

 Place container in a glass bowl and add some water so that it covers the bottom of the container, not more than ¼ inch high. This ensures even heating of the container bottom.

- Always remove the lid to avoid damage to the oven.
- · Use only undamaged containers.
- Do not use containers taller than 3/4 inch.
- Container must be half filled.
- To avoid arcing, there must be a minimum ¼ inch between the aluminum container and the walls of the oven and also between two aluminum containers.
- Reheating food in aluminum foil containers usually takes up to double the time compared to reheating in plastic, glass, china, or paper containers. The time when food is ready will vary a great deal.
- Let food stand for 2-3 minutes after heating so that heat is spread evenly throughout container.

Cooking you should not do in your microwave oven

- Do not do canning of foods in the oven.
 Closed glass jars may explode, resulting in damage to the oven or possible personal injury.
- Do not use the microwave oven to sterilize objects (baby bottles, etc.). It is difficult to maintain the high temperature required for safe sterilization.

Microwave power rating

A new rating method* rates this oven at 850 watts. However, you may use a reliable cookbook and recipes developed for microwave ovens that were rated before at 700-800 watts.

 The IEC-705 Test Procedure is an internationally recognized method of rating microwave wattage output and does not represent an actual change to output power or cooking performance.

Questions and Answers

QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
Can I use a rack in my microwave oven so that I may reheat or cook on two levels at a time?	You can use a rack only if rack is supplied with your microwave oven. Use of any rack not supplied with the microwave oven can result in poor cooking performance and/or arcing.
Can I use either metal or aluminum pans in my microwave oven?	Useable metal includes aluminum foil for shielding (use small, flat pieces), small skewers, and shallow foil trays (if tray is not taller than ¾ inch deep and half filled with food to absorb microwave energy). Never allow metal to touch walls or door. (For more information, see "Using aluminum foil" in the "Cooking Guide" section.)
Sometimes the door of my microwave oven appears wavy. Is this normal?	This appearance is normal and does not affect the operation of your oven.
What are the humming noises that I hear when my microwave oven is operating?	You hear the sound of the transformer when the magnetron tube cycles on.
Why does the dish become hot when I microwave food in it? I thought that this should not happen.	As the food becomes hot it will conduct the heat to the dish. Be prepared to use hot pads to remove food after cooking.
What does "standing time" mean?	"Standing time" means that food should be removed from the oven and covered for additional time to allow it to finish cooking. This frees the oven for other cooking.
Can I pop popcorn in my microwave oven? How do I get the best results?	Yes. Pop packaged microwave popcorn following manufacturer's guidelines or use the preprogrammed Popcorn pad. Do not use regular paper bags. Use the "listening test" by stopping the oven as soon as the popping slows to a "pop" every 1 or 2 seconds. Do not repop unpopped kernels. You can also use special microwave poppers. When using a popper, be sure to follow manufacturer's directions. Do not pop popcorn in glass utensils.
Why does steam come out of the air exhaust vent?	Steam is normally produced during cooking. The microwave oven has been designed to vent this steam out the top vent.

If You Need Assistance or Service

This section is designed to help you save the cost of a service call. Part 1 of this section outlines possible problems, their causes, and actions you can take to solve each problem. Parts 2 and 3 tell you what to do if you still need assistance or service. When calling our Consumer Assistance Center for help or calling for service, please provide a detailed description of the problem, your appliance's complete model and serial numbers, and the purchase date. (See the "A Note to You" section.) This information will help us respond properly to your request.

1. Before calling for assistance ...

Performance problems often result from little things you can find and fix without tools of any kind. Please check the chart below for problems you can fix. It could save you the cost of a service call.

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SOLUTION
Nothing will operate	The unit is not wired into a live circuit with the proper voltage.	Contact a qualified Whirlpool service technician to wire unit into a live circuit with the proper voltage. (See Installation Instructions.)
	A household fuse has blown or a circuit breaker has tripped.	Replace household fuse or reset circuit breaker.
	The electric company has experienced a power failure.	Check electric company for a power failure.
The microwave oven will	You are using the oven as a timer.	Touch TIMER OFF to cancel the Minute Timer.
not run	The door is not firmly closed and latched.	Firmly close and latch door.
	You did not touch START/ ENTER.	Touch START/ENTER.
	You did not follow directions exactly.	Check instructions for the function you are operating.
	An operation that was programmed earlier is still running.	Touch OFF/CANCEL to cancel previous programming.
Microwave cooking times seem too long	The electric supply to your home or wall outlets is low or lower than normal.	Your electric company can tell you if the line voltage is low. Your electrician or service technician can tell you if the outlet voltage is low.
	The Cook Power is not at the recommended setting.	Check the "Microwave cooking chart" in the "Cooking Guide" section.
	Larger amounts of food need longer cooking times.	Allow for more time when cooking more food at one time.
The Display shows a time	The oven door is not closed completely.	Completely close oven door.
counting down but the oven is not cooking	You have set the controls as a minute timer.	Touch TIMER OFF to cancel the Minute Timer.

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PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SOLUTION
You do not hear the Program- ming Tone	The command is not correct. You have disabled the audible signal.	Re-enter command. Press and hold the number Pad 1 for 4 seconds.
The Display shows "88:88"	There has been a power interruption.	Reset the clock.

2. If you need assistance ...

Call the Whirlpool Consumer Assistance Center telephone number. Dial toll-free from anywhere in the U.S.A.:

1-800-253-1301

and talk with one of our trained consultants. The consultant can instruct you in how to obtain satisfactory operation from your appliance or, if service is necessary, recommend a qualified service company in your area.

If you prefer, write to:

Whirlpool Brand Home Appliances Consumer Assistance Center c/o Correspondence Dept. 2000 North M-63 Benton Harbor, MI 49022-2692

Please include a daytime phone number in your correspondence.

3. If you need service ...



Whirlpool has a nationwide network of authorized Whirlpool service companies. Whirlpool

service technicians are trained to fulfill the product warranty and provide after-warranty service, anywhere in the United States. To locate the authorized Whirlpool service company in your area, call our Consumer Assistance Center telephone number (see Step 2) or look in your telephone directory Yellow Pages under:

- •APPLIANCE-HOUSEHOLD-MAJOR, SERVICE & REPAIR
- See: Whirlpool Appliances or Authorized Whirlpool Service (Example: XYZ Service Co.)
- WASHING MACHINES & DRYERS, SERVICE & REPAIR
- See: Whirlpool Appliances or Authorized Whirlpool Service (Example: XYZ Service Co.)

4. If you are not satisfied with how the problem was solved ...

- Contact the Major Appliance Consumer Action Program (MACAP). MACAP is a group of independent consumer experts that voices consumer views at the highest levels of the major appliance industry.
- Contact MACAP only when the dealer, authorized servicer, and Whirlpool have failed to resolve your problem.

Major Appliance Consumer Action Program 20 North Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606

MACAP will in turn inform us of your action.

WHIRLPOOL® Microwave Oven Warranty

LENGTH OF WARRANTY	WHIRLPOOL WILL PAY FOR
FULL ONE-YEAR WARRANTY FROM DATE OF PURCHASE	FSP® replacement parts and repair labor to correct defects in materials or workmanship. Service must be provided by an authorized Whirlpool service company.
LIMITED FOUR-YEAR WARRANTY SECOND THROUGH FIFTH YEAR FROM DATE OF PURCHASE	FSP replacement magnetron tube on microwave ovens if defective in materials or workmanship.

WHIRLPOOL WILL NOT PAY FOR

- A. Service calls to:
 - 1. Correct the installation of your microwave oven.
 - 2. Instruct you how to use your microwave oven.
 - 3. Replace house fuses or correct house wiring.
 - 4. Replace owner-accessible light bulbs.
- **B.** Repairs when your microwave oven is used in other than normal, single-family household use.
- C. Pickup and delivery. Your microwave oven is designed to be repaired in the home.
- **D.** Damage to your microwave oven caused by accident, misuse, fire, flood, acts of God, or use of products not approved by Whirlpool.
- **E.** Any labor costs during limited warranty.
- **F.** Repairs to parts or systems caused by unauthorized modifications made to the appliance.

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Outside the United States, a different warranty may apply. For details, please contact your authorized Whirlpool dealer.

If you need service, first see the "If You Need Assistance or Service" section of this book. After checking "If You Need Assistance or Service," additional help can be found by calling our Consumer Assistance Center telephone number, **1-800-253-1301**, from anywhere in the U.S.A.