

# **Amana®**

## **Microwave Oven**

### **Model WM715**

### **Use & Care Manual**

### **700Watts**

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Record in the space below the Model No., Manufacturing (Mfg) No. and Serial No. found on the nameplate of your oven. The nameplate is located at the back of the oven interior in the upper left hand corner.

**Model No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mfg. No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Serial No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Installed** \_\_\_\_\_

**Selling Dealer** \_\_\_\_\_

Retain these numbers and your Sales Receipt for proof of purchase should warranty questions arise. Your Sales Receipt is required if warranty service is needed. Complete the registration card, which is included with the packet that comes with the oven. This must be filled out and returned to Amana Refrigeration, Inc. Federal regulations require that all manufacturers of microwave ovens have a permanent record of the owners of each oven.

# IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

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

**WARNING** — to reduce the risk of burns, electrical shock, fire, injury to persons or exposure to excessive microwave energy:

1. Read all instructions before using the appliance.
2. Read and follow the specific "PRECAUTIONS TO AVOID POSSIBLE EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE MICROWAVE ENERGY" found on page 3.
3. This appliance must be grounded. Connect only to properly grounded outlet. See "GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS" below.
4. Install or locate this appliance only in accordance with the provided installation instructions.
5. Some products such as whole eggs and sealed containers — for example, closed glass jars — may explode and should not be heated in this oven.
6. Use this appliance only for its intended use as described in this manual.
7. As with any appliance, close supervision is necessary when used by children.
8. Do not operate this appliance if it has a damaged cord or plug, if it is not working properly, or if it has been damaged or dropped.
9. This appliance should be serviced only by qualified service personnel. Contact nearest authorized service facility for examination, repair or adjustment.
10. Do not cover or block any openings on the appliance.
11. Do not use outdoors.
12. Do not immerse cord or plug in water.
13. Keep cord away from heated surfaces.
14. Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter.
15. See door cleaning instructions on page 13.
16. To reduce the risk of fire in the cavity:
  - a. Do not overcook food. Carefully attend appliance if paper, plastic, or other combustible materials are placed inside the oven to facilitate cooking.
  - b. Remove wire twist-ties from paper or plastic bags before placing bag in oven.
  - c. 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.

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

### UNPACKING THE OVEN

Inspect the oven for any damage such as dents or holes in the screen of the door or dents inside the oven cavity. Any dents or breakage should be reported to your dealer immediately.

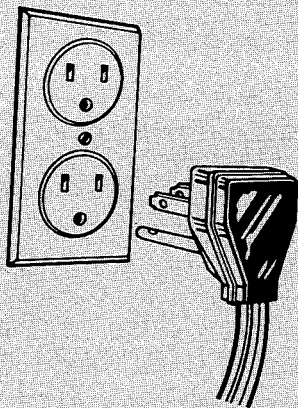
You will be told if the unit will operate correctly. After removing packing material, place tray so "REMOVABLE - DISHWASHER SAFE" is readable. Do not operate without tray in place.

### OVEN PLACEMENT

Do not build the oven in with the sides, top or bottom airflow restricted. The oven must have sufficient airflow around it. If you wish to build in this microwave oven, use only Amana

"RS" model trim kits that have a label identifying which Amana microwave oven model series may be used. Trim kits can be purchased from your dealer.

## GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS



INSURE PROPER GROUND EXISTS BEFORE USING

This appliance 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. This appliance 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. Do not use a two-prong adaptor.

**WARNING** - Improper use of the grounding plug 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 appliance is properly grounded. If it is necessary to use an extension cord, use only a 3-wire extension cord that has a 3-blade grounding plug, and a 3-slot receptacle that will accept the plug on the appliance. The extension cord must be rated at a minimum of 15 amps, 120 volts, and should be no more than six feet in length. This oven should be plugged into a separate 120 volt, 15 amp, 60 hertz circuit. When a microwave oven is on a circuit with other appliances, an increase in cooking times may be required and fuses can be blown.

# SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Read and follow these Rules for Safe Operation.

This microwave oven is designed to be safe and reliable. As with all appliances, there are certain rules to follow. Make sure everyone who cooks with this oven is familiar with this product's operation and with these precautions.

## 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: (a) Door (bent), (b) hinges and latches (broken or loosened), (c) door seals and sealing surfaces.
- (d) The oven should not be adjusted or repaired by anyone except properly qualified service personnel.

## PRECAUTIONS

- (a) Always press **RESET** before programming the oven.
- (b) **WARNING: Liquids** must be briskly stirred or poured (to mix in air) before being heated in a microwave oven. If air is not mixed into a liquid, the liquid can erupt in the oven or after removal from the oven.
- (c) **Eggs** must not be cooked or reheated in the shell, or with an unbroken yolk. To do so may result in a pressure build-up and eruption. Pierce the yolk with a fork or knife before cooking.  
Do not reheat previously cooked eggs in the microwave oven unless finely chopped or scrambled.
- (d) **Home canning** must not be done in a microwave oven. Home canning is generally done with metal lids. Since metal lids reflect microwaves, you cannot be assured that the food product will be heated uniformly to 212°F or above, and there is a probability of deterioration of the food product. USDA extension specialists do not recommend home canning in microwave ovens.
- (e) **Deep fat frying** must not be done in any microwave oven. The fat could overheat and be hazardous to handle.
- (f) **WARNING: Do not heat sealed containers in any microwave oven. Containers with restricted openings** such as syrup bottles must not be used for cooking. Food or liquid could expand quickly and cause the container to break.
- (g) **Regular cooking thermometers** must not be used in a microwave oven. Most cooking thermometers contain mercury and may cause "arcing", malfunction, and/or damage to the oven.
- (h) **Plastic bags (and other air-tight containers)** must always be pierced or opened before heating in a microwave oven. This is needed to allow steam to escape during cooking.
- (i) **Metal or ceramic accessories** which have been specially designed to absorb microwave energy to provide heat ("active" accessories such as browning skillets) may be used with caution. Be sure to test any such device before use and to carefully read and follow manufacturer's instructions provided with the accessory. Any questions concerning these accessory products should be referred to the accessory manufacturer. Amana Refrigeration, Inc., does not endorse any brand of accessory. Remember that all microwave accessories are not "top quality"; some may not be suitable for microwave cooking. Caution must be used when purchasing microwave accessories.
- (j) **Newspapers** must never be used in a microwave oven since they may ignite.
- (k) **Paper towels** which contain nylon or other synthetic fibers woven through them must not be used because the heated synthetics could melt and cause the paper to ignite.
- (l) **Use only popcorn in packages designed and labeled for microwave use.** You may place the package on the oven rack, if your microwave oven has this feature, or on an inverted microwave-safe glass loaf dish, as needed, to increase popped volume. Pop according to package directions, beginning with the minimum amount of time recommended. Pop until bag has expanded and there are one to two seconds between pops. Popcorn yields may vary. Do not continue to heat after popping has stopped, since popcorn will scorch or burn. Do not leave oven unattended. Use caution when handling the hot oven rack, glass loaf dish, or hot popcorn bag.
- (m) **If you're using a microwave popcorn popper,** use according to manufacturer's instructions. Do not continue to heat after popping has stopped, since popcorn will scorch or burn. Do not leave oven unattended.

## CHECKING OVEN OPERATION

- A. **Set the optional entry signal.** This optional signal can be set to "beep" whenever a pad is pressed. It confirms the oven has "read" and accepted your entry.  
**To program the entry signal:**
  1. Plug in the oven. Dash lines will appear in the display.
  2. Press **0**. The oven will "beep" now and whenever you press any pad.

**To cancel the entry signal:**

Unplug the oven and reconnect it, but do not press **0**.

Dash lines will appear in the display. Press **RESET**. The oven will not beep when you press the pads.

- B. **To deactivate the end-of-cycle signal.**

This optional signal can be set to "beep" to indicate when cooking time has elapsed and when food has reached a set temperature. The signal is automatically

set when you plug in the oven.

**To cancel the end-of-cycle signal:**

Press **TIMER** before setting the clock (while the dash lines are still displayed).

**Note:** Throughout this manual, you will note references to a tone that signals the end of a cooking or timing operation. If you have cancelled the end-of-cycle signal, disregard these references.

**C. Oven Light**

The oven light will come on when the door is opened. It will also come on when the oven is operating.

**D. Set the Clock**

1. Press **RESET**.

2. Enter the time of day by pressing the numbers in sequence. For example, if it is 10:35 (a.m. or p.m.), press number pads **1, 0, 3** and **5**, in that order.

3. Press **CLOCK** twice. The clock is now set. If oven power is interrupted (for example, if the supply circuit is disconnected, or if there is a power failure), all programming instructions will be erased, and dashes will appear in the display. You must then reset the desired signal options and clock as indicated above.

**E. Check operation of the interlock systems. The**

**START** and **STOP** pads turn the oven on and off. Microwave energy is generated only when the door is closed, cooking time or temperature has been set, and **START** has been pressed. In addition, the oven has

interlock switches to assure no microwave energy is generated when the door is open. To check or remove food before the cooking time has elapsed, you may

either press **STOP** or open the oven door to turn the oven off. Before the oven door opens, hidden interlock switches sense the motion of the door handle and automatically turn the oven off.

Here is how you may check the operation of

**START, STOP** and the interlock switches:  
1. Place a glass of water in oven and close oven door.

2. Press **RESET**.

3. Press **5**, then **0**.

4. Press **START**. The oven should operate and the oven light should come on.

5. Press **STOP**. The oven should shut off immediately and the sound of the motor should cease. The oven light should go out.

6. Open oven door fully. The oven light should come on when the door is opened.

7. Press **RESET**.

If under any of the preceding conditions the oven does not operate as stated, do not use it. Call your dealer or authorized service agency.

## THE CONTROL PANEL

**READOUT DISPLAY** — Normally shows time of day.

- Shows remaining time when cooking by time or using the Timer.
- Shows actual or set temperature when cooking to temperature.

**NUMBERS** — Always press numbers first when programming the oven. Press in the same order as you would write them. Then press the desired word pad.

**ACCU-THAW** — Programs the oven to defrost food. Press after pressing numbers for the defrosting time. (See page 5.)

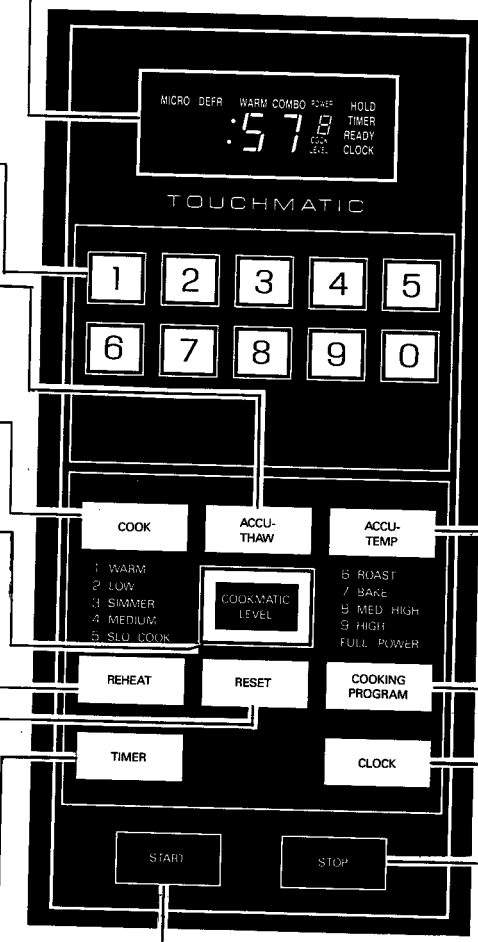
**COOK** — Programs oven to cook by time. Press after pressing numbers for the cooking time. (See page 5.)

**COOKMATIC LEVEL** — Programs cooking power level. Press after pressing number pad corresponding to cook levels imprinted on control panel. (See page 10.)

**REHEAT** — Automatically programmed to reheat a plate of food. (See page 5.)

**RESET** — Press to cancel everything you've programmed. If the oven is operating press to find out what is happening now.

**TIMER** — Lets you time a separate task, even when the oven is cooking. Press after pressing numbers for time to be measured. (See page 5.)



**ACCU-TEMP** — Programs oven to cook to temperature. Oven then automatically holds food for up to 60 minutes, or until you turn the oven off. Press after pressing number pads for temperature. (See pages 11-12.)

**COOKING PROGRAM** — Use to program 2 cooking programs. (See page 12.)

**CLOCK** — Sets time of day. Press twice after pressing numbers for the current time. (See above.)

**STOP** — Stops oven. The oven can also be stopped by opening the door.

**START** — Starts oven operation.

### IF YOU MAKE A MISTAKE

- If the oven is not operating yet, press **RESET**. This cancels everything. You must program the oven again.
- If the oven is operating, press **RESET** to see what the oven is doing right now. If the oven appears to be doing something you don't want it to do, press **STOP**, then press **RESET**. This cancels everything. You must program the oven again.

### THE ERROR SIGNAL

- The oven will sound an Error Signal (a short tone) when you attempt to program something illogical:
- If you attempt to program a Cookmatic Level with Defrost.
  - If you attempt to program a temperature lower than 100°F, or higher than 190°F. The temperature probe sensing range is from 100°F to 190°F.
  - If you attempt to program the oven to cook to temperature without having inserted the temperature probe plug into the oven wall receptacle first.

## TRY IT! COOKING WITH FULL POWER

This is the fastest and easiest way to cook.

1. **Place food in oven and close oven door.** When using the oven, always have food or water inside to absorb microwave energy.
2. **Press RESET.**
3. **Press numbers for cooking time** (to cook 1 minute 10 seconds, press **1,1,0**). The display will show the time you have set. If you make a mistake, simply press

## TRY IT! USING THE TIMER

You can use the oven like a separate timer to time mixing, steeping or even telephone calls!

If the oven is not cooking:

1. **Press RESET.**
2. **Press the number for the time desired.**
3. **Press TIMER.** The display will "count down" and show "TIMER", indicating the timer function is in use.
4. **A signal will sound when the time has elapsed.**

If the oven is cooking:

1. **Do not stop the oven.** Press numbers for the time desired. The numbers will replace the cooking time in the

## TRY IT! REHEATING WITH THE AUTOMATIC REHEAT FEATURE

One of the advantages of microwave cooking, is the fact that previously cooked food can be reheated quickly and with restored taste. The reheat feature is automatically programmed to provide 2 minutes and 45 seconds of Full Power. The perfect amount of time for reheating a plate of food.

1. Place plate of food in oven and close oven door.
2. Press **RESET.**
3. Press **REHEAT** 2:45 will appear on the display.
4. Press **START** and the oven will operate. The display will show the time "counting down", "MICRO" and "POWER" indicating the oven is operating at Full Power.

## TRY IT! DEFROSTING WITH THE ACCU-THAW FEATURE

Most frozen foods can be defrosted quickly by using

**ACCU-THAW**, which automatically selects various power levels for optimum defrosting results, without much of the premature cooking that occurs with many ordinary microwave oven defrost cycles. It pulses microwave energy on and off at the proper power levels. During the "on" periods, the exterior of the food is heated. During the "off" periods, heat is conducted to the interior of the food, allowing uniform defrosting with little or no cooking on the exterior. **Note:** Many foods, especially meats, must be defrosted completely before cooking begins. If ice crystals remain inside foods, cooking will be uneven because the outside of the food will be done, but the inside will be underdone. Consult the charts on the following pages when using **ACCU-THAW.**

To defrost foods using **ACCU-THAW:**

1. **Place frozen food inside oven and close oven door.** If food is inside a plastic bag, slit the bag to allow steam to escape.

## ACCU-THAW DEFROSTING GUIDE

Use this guide when using **Accu-Thaw** to defrost foods. The cookbook introduction provides General Hints for Defrosting Foods. These hints and other defrosting tips throughout the cookbook can be used with the **Accu-Thaw** feature. However, if you decide to use any defrosting charts and times in the cookbook, use Cookmatic Level 3. Charts in the cookbook are not used with **Accu-Thaw.**

**RESET** once and enter the desired time.

4. **Press START** and the oven will begin operating. The display will show "MICRO" to indicate the oven is cooking. The oven always starts cooking in Program 1. "POWER" on continuously indicates the oven is operating at Full Power.
5. **The oven will stop and sound a signal at the end of cooking time.**

display, but the oven will continue to cook

2. **Press TIMER.** The display will "count down" the timer time and show "TIMER". The oven will continue to cook undisturbed. When timer time has elapsed, a signal will sound, the display will show the remaining cooking time and the oven will finish cooking.
3. **To change a timer setting, simply press the new time desired and press TIMER again.** Do not stop the oven.
4. **To check cooking time remaining before timer has elapsed, press RESET.**

5. The oven will stop and sound a signal at the end of reheating time.

If you wish to change the automatic reheat setting to an amount of time other than 2:45:

1. Press **RESET.**
2. Enter the new reheat time desired.
3. Press **REHEAT.** The newly entered time will now appear whenever the automatic reheat feature is used.

\*If there is a power interruption, or the unit is unplugged, the reheat time will automatically return to 2:45.

2. **Press RESET.**
3. **Press numbers for defrosting time.** Start with the shortest amount of time and increase if needed.
4. **Press ACCU-THAW.**
5. **Press START** and the oven will operate. The display will show "DEFR", indicating the oven is programmed to defrost. Microwave power cycles on and off automatically, as indicated by "POWER" flashing on and off. **Note:** Some frozen foods defrost better on #3 Cookmatic Level instead of the ones selected by the **ACCU-THAW** pad. If the cookbook specifies this, follow the directions for cooking with Cookmatic power levels (see page 10). Do not use **ACCU-THAW.**

The number of frozen convenience foods available in today's market is endless. This makes it almost impossible to include preparation instructions for all of them in this guide! Since most frozen convenience foods packages include microwave preparation instructions, you should follow those package instructions when defrosting and heating frozen convenience foods in your microwave oven.



**FROZEN BEVERAGE DEFROSTING CHART**

<b>TYPE OF BEVERAGE</b>	<b>CARTON OR CAN SIZE</b>	<b>UTENSIL *</b>	<b>HEATING TIME</b>	<b>SETTING</b>	<b>SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS</b>
Frozen Juice Concentrate	6 oz. can	1-quart casserole or glass measure	35 to 45 sec.	Full Power	Place frozen juice concentrate in utensil. Heat, according to time and setting, or until defrosted. If necessary, continue stirring until mixture is melted and smooth.
	12 oz. can	2-quart casserole or glass measure	1 to 1 min., 30 sec.	Full Power	
	16 oz. can	2½-quart casserole	2 to 2 min., 30 sec.	Full Power	
Frozen Non-Dairy Creamer	1 pint carton	Defrost in carton	12 to 15 min.	Defrost **	Open carton. Defrost according to time and setting, or until defrosted. Shake or stir occasionally during defrosting time.

\* Frozen juice concentrate can be placed directly in the serving pitcher and heated in the microwave oven. Be certain the pitcher is microwave oven-safe and fits inside the microwave oven.

\*\* For more information regarding defrosting, see page 5.

**FROZEN BREAD DEFROSTING CHART**

<b>BREAD TYPE</b>	<b>PKG. SIZE</b>	<b>DEFROSTING TIME*</b>
Frozen Coffee Cakes	9 to 10 oz.	3 to 4 min.
	11 to 12 oz.	3 min., 30 sec. to 4 min., 30 sec.
Frozen Croissants	6 to 9 oz.	5 to 6 min., 30 sec.
Frozen Danish Rolls	7 to 9 oz.	4 to 5 min.

\* For more information regarding defrosting, see page 5.

**General Instructions for Defrosting Bread**

Remove coffee cake or rolls from the container, if metal. Place on plastic rack or paper plate. Cover with a paper towel.

**FROZEN CONVENIENCE BREAD DEFROSTING CHART**

<b>BREAD TYPE</b>	<b>PKG. SIZE</b>	<b>DEFROSTING TIME*</b>	<b>SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS</b>
Frozen Bread Dough	1 lb. loaf	9 to 11 min.	Wrap dough loosely in waxed paper. Turn over halfway through defrosting time. Bake bread dough conventionally.
Frozen Cinnamon Roll Dough	25 to 27 oz.	10 to 12 min.	Place rolls in greased 9 x 2-inch round dish. Cover loosely with waxed paper.
Frozen Dinner Roll Dough	15 oz.	7 min., 30 sec. to 8 min., 30 sec.	Place rolls in greased 9 x 2-inch round dish. Cover loosely with waxed paper.
Frozen Donuts	2 donuts	1 min., 45 sec. to 2 min., 15 sec.	Place donuts on plastic rack or paper plate. Cover with paper towel.
	4 donuts	2 min., 45 sec. to 3 min., 15 sec.	
Frozen French or Vienna Bread	1 lb. loaf	4 min., 30 sec. to 5 min., 30 sec.	

Frozen French Toast (4 slices)	9 oz. pkg.	4 to 5 min.	Place slices on plastic rack, paper plate or paper towel. Cover with paper towel.
Frozen Jelly Donuts	2 donuts	2 min., 45 sec. to 3 min., 15 sec.	Place donuts on plastic rack or paper plate. Cover with paper towel.
	4 donuts	4 to 5 min.	
Frozen Sandwich Bread Loaf	1½ lb. loaf	4 min., 30 sec. to 5 min., 30 sec.	
Frozen Sweet Rolls	2 individual rolls	2 min., 45 sec. to 3 min., 15 sec.	Place rolls on plastic rack or paper plate. Cover with paper towel.

\* For more information regarding defrosting, see page 5.

#### General Instructions for Defrosting Frozen Convenience Breads

1. Read the "Special Instructions" on the chart before defrosting frozen convenience bread.
2. If defrosting only, not reheating bread loaves, defrost until still cold in center. Allow to stand until defrosted. Reheat only as much bread as is needed at each meal.

#### FROZEN FISH AND SEAFOOD DEFROSTING CHART

TYPE	PKG. SIZE	DEFROSTING TIME*	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
Crab Claws or Legs	12 oz.	7 to 10 min.	Rearrange halfway through defrosting time.
Crab Meat	6 oz.	4 to 5 min.	Stir halfway through defrosting time.
Fillets, Flounder, Cod, Sole, Haddock, etc.	16 oz.	9 to 12 min.	Turn fillets over halfway through defrosting time.
Lobster Tail	16 oz.	9 to 12 min.	Wrap in plastic wrap or waxed paper. Turn over halfway through defrosting time.
Shrimp	12 oz.	7 to 10 min.	Turn over halfway through defrosting time.

\* For more information regarding defrosting, see page 5.

#### General Instructions for Defrosting Fish and Seafood

1. Read the "Special Instructions" on the chart before defrosting frozen fish and seafood.
2. Place frozen seafood in glass casserole or utility dish. Cover loosely with plastic wrap or waxed paper.
3. Allow defrosted seafood to stand for a short period of time before cooking to be certain the seafood is totally defrosted. Larger seafood pieces can be held under cold running water, if necessary, to finish the defrosting process, or to allow still-frozen fillets to be separated. Fish and seafood should be totally defrosted before cooking, so that cooking will be done evenly.

#### FROZEN FRUIT DEFROSTING CHART

PACKAGE SIZE	UTENSIL	DEFROSTING TIME*
10 oz.	1-quart casserole	7 to 9 min.
20 oz.	1½-quart casserole	12 to 15 min.

\* For more information regarding defrosting, see page 5.

#### General Instructions for Defrosting Fruit

1. Place the fruit in the utensil recommended on the chart. Cover the fruit with a glass lid or plastic wrap.
2. Defrost, according to the time recommended on the chart. Stir the fruit halfway through the defrost time to break the fruit apart and rearrange.

**FROZEN SMALL SIZE MEAT DEFROSTING CHART**

MEAT TYPE	WEIGHT	DEFROSTING TIME*	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
Bacon	16 oz.	6 to 8 min.	Turn over halfway through defrosting time.
Bratwurst	16 oz.	12 to 15 min.	Turn over halfway through defrosting time.
Chops	16 oz.	12 to 15 min.	Turn over halfway through defrosting time.
Frankfurters	12 oz. 16 oz.	7 to 9 min. 9 to 11 min.	Turn over halfway through defrosting time.
Ground Beef, Pork, or Lamb			
Bulk	16 oz.	12 to 15 min.	Turn over halfway through defrosting time.
Patties	16 oz.	11 to 14 min.	Arrange in circle. Turn over halfway through defrosting time.
Sausage	12 oz.	7 to 9 min.	Turn over halfway through defrosting time.
Steaks (beef)	16 oz.	12 to 15 min.	Turn over halfway through defrosting time.

\* For more information regarding defrosting, see page 5.

**General Instructions for Defrosting Small Size Meat**

1. Read the "Special Instructions" on the chart before defrosting frozen small meat items.
2. Defrost, according to the time recommended on the chart.

**FROZEN ROAST DEFROSTING CHART\***

WEIGHT	DEFROSTING TIME**	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
Under 3 lbs.	13 to 15 min./lb.	Turn over halfway through defrosting time.
3 to 6 lbs.	15 to 17 min./lb.	Turn over after 5 minutes and halfway through remaining defrosting time. Let stand to finish defrosting if not completely defrosted.

\* The "Frozen Roast Defrosting Chart" lists defrosting times for roasts, in terms of minutes-per-pound.

\*\* For more information regarding defrosting, see page 5.

**General Instructions for Defrosting Roasts or Large Cuts of Meat**

1. Read the "Special Instructions" on the chart before defrosting frozen roasts.
2. Place meat on cooking grill and cover with plastic wrap or place in heavy-duty plastic roasting bag in 2-quart utility dish.
3. Defrost, according to the time recommended on the chart. For example, if a roast weighs 2 pounds, defrost it for 13 minutes per pound, or 26 minutes on the defrost setting.  
$$2 \text{ lbs.} \times 13 \text{ min./lb.} = 26 \text{ minutes}$$
4. Thicker cuts of meat weighing between 2 to 3 pounds should be defrosted for 15 minutes per pound, rather than 13 minutes per pound.
5. Larger roasts may need a standing time before cooking to allow completion of the defrosting process.
6. To cook a roast immediately after defrosting in one automatic process, see the charts and information in the cookbook that came with your oven.

**FROZEN MAIN DISH DEFROSTING AND COOKING CHART**

DISH SIZE	DEFROSTING TIME*	COOKING TIME** ON FULL POWER
1-quart	35 to 45 min.	5 to 7 min.
1½-quart	45 to 55 min.	6 to 9 min.
2-quart	1 hr., 5 min. to 1 hr., 15 min.	7 to 10 min.
3-quart	1 hr., 45 min. to 1 hr., 55 min.	9 to 13 min.

\* For more information regarding defrosting, see page 5.

\*\* When heating casseroles on Full Power, stir halfway through the cooking time.



## General Instructions for Defrosting and Cooking Frozen Main Dishes

1. Select the defrosting and cooking instructions, according to the size of dish in which your frozen main dish is being cooked. Cover the dish with a glass lid or plastic wrap.
2. Defrost and cook, according to the times recommended on the chart.
3. After defrosting, you may wish to cook the main dish to 150°F using the Automatic Temperature Control System, if your microwave oven has this feature. You will not need to set an amount of cooking time since the Automatic Temperature Control System will determine when the main dish has finished cooking. Insert the temperature probe into the center of the main dish. Cover the dish with a glass lid or plastic wrap. Cook in the microwave oven on Full Power to the final temperature of 150° F. Stir halfway through the cooking time. For more information about the Automatic Temperature Control System, see pages 11-12.

### FROZEN TURKEY ROAST DEFROSTING AND COOKING CHART

ROAST SIZE	UTENSIL	DEFROSTING TIME*	COOKING TIME ON FULL POWER
2 lb.	9 x 5 x 2-inch utility dish	55 to 60 min.	15 to 20 min.
3 lb.	2-quart utility dish	1 hr., 10 min. to 1 hr., 15 min.	25 to 30 min.

\* For more information regarding defrosting, see page 5.

## General Instructions for Defrosting and Cooking Frozen Turkey Roasts

1. Remove the frozen roast from the metal container. Place it in the glass utensil listed on chart. Cover loosely with plastic wrap.
2. Defrost and cook, according to the times recommended on the chart.
3. After defrosting, you may wish to cook the roast to 170°F using the Automatic Temperature Control System. You will not need to set an amount of cooking time since the automatic temperature control system will determine when the roast has finished cooking. Insert the temperature probe into the center of the roast through the plastic wrap, thereby piercing the plastic wrap. Cook in the microwave oven on Full Power to the final temperature of 170° F. Turn roast over halfway through cooking time. For more information about the Automatic Temperature Control System, see pages 11-12.

### FROZEN POULTRY DEFROSTING CHART\*

WEIGHT & SIZE OF POULTRY	DEFROSTING TIME **	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS
<b>Pieces</b>		
3 lbs. or less; package is less than 1-inch thick	11 to 14 min./lb.	Turn over halfway through defrosting time.
3 lbs. or more; package is greater than 1-inch thick.	13 to 15 min./lb.	Turn over halfway through defrosting time.
<b>Whole</b>		
1 to 5 lbs.	13 to 15 min./lb.	Turn over halfway through defrosting time.
5 to 8 lbs.	13 to 15 min./lb.	Turn over after 5 minutes and halfway through the remaining defrosting time. Soak in cool water if not completely defrosted.
8 to 10 lbs.	13 to 15 min./lb.	Turn over every 5 minutes during the first 15 minutes and twice during the remaining defrosting time. Soak in cool water if not completely defrosted.
10 to 15 lbs.	13 to 15 min./lb.	Turn over every 5 minutes during the first 20 minutes and 3 times during the remaining defrosting time.

\* The "Frozen Poultry Defrosting Chart" lists defrosting times for all types of poultry, in terms of minutes-per-pound. The chart applies to Cornish hens, capon, duck and individual poultry pieces, as well as to whole chicken and turkey. For best results when defrosting, be sure to consider the general hints.

\*\* For more information regarding defrosting, see page 5.

### General Instructions for Defrosting Poultry

1. Read the "Special Instructions" on the chart before defrosting frozen poultry.
2. Place the frozen poultry on a plate or cooking grill. Cover with plastic wrap. Remove all metal pieces, if possible.
3. You may wish to cover the wing tips, the narrow part of the legs, and the high point of the breast bone and back with small strips of foil to prevent them from dehydrating and cooking.
4. If the item takes longer than 99 minutes 99 seconds to defrost, manually enter any remaining time on power level 1.

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### FROZEN CONVENIENCE CAKE DEFROSTING CHART

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CAKE TYPE	SIZE	DEFROSTING TIME*
Cake	12 to 14 oz.	3 to 4 min.
	16 to 18 oz.	4 to 5 min.
Pound Cake	10 to 11 oz.	3 min., 30 sec. to 4 min., 30 sec.

\* For more information regarding defrosting, see page 5.

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### General Instructions for Defrosting Frozen Cakes

1. Remove the cake from the container, if metal. Place on a plastic rack or a paper plate. Cover with a paper towel, if not frosted.
2. Defrost, according to the time recommended on the chart. Do not melt the frosting.

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### FROZEN BAKED PIE DEFROSTING CHART

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SIZE OF PIE	DEFROSTING TIME*
8-inch (20 to 30 oz.)	10 to 15 min.
9-inch (30 to 40 oz.)	20 to 25 min.

\* For more information regarding defrosting, see page 5.

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### General Instructions for Defrosting Frozen Baked Pies

1. Pies need to be cooked before freezing. In all recipes, the bottom crust needs to be cooked before the filling is added. This is necessary to achieve a completely cooked flaky bottom crust. Purchased frozen pies are usually unbaked. For good results, bake these pies conventionally and then freeze. Later the frozen pies can be transferred to glass pie plates and quickly defrosted in the microwave oven. When baking pies "from scratch" bake them in glass pie plates and then freeze. Or, bake two pies, eat one and freeze the other for later use.
2. Place cooked frozen pie in glass pie plate. Do not cover. Defrost, according to the time recommended on the chart.

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## TRY IT! COOKING AT COOKMATIC® POWER LEVELS

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Just as some foods cook better conventionally at lower rather than higher oven temperatures, some foods cook better at lower rather than higher microwave power levels. This oven has 10 power levels, each well-suited for different types of foods. The cookbook provided with this oven specifies the proper power levels to be used for optimum cooking. When no power level is programmed, the oven operates at Full Power.

1. Place food or water in oven and close oven door.
2. Press **RESET**.
3. Press number for Cookmatic Level (to cook at Level 8, press **8**, which is 80% of Full Power). The number will appear in the display.
4. Press **COOKMATIC LEVEL**.
5. Press numbers for cooking time. The time will appear in the display.
6. Press **COOK**.

7. Press **START** and the oven will operate. The display will show "MICRO", "POWER" and the power level selected (for example, "8 COOK LEVEL" for Level 8). "MICRO" indicates the oven is programmed to cook. The magnetron tube cycles on and off to cook at lower power levels, so "POWER" flashes on and off accordingly as microwave energy is produced.
8. To change power levels during cooking, press the number for the new power level, then simply press **COOKMATIC LEVEL**. The oven display will change accordingly. You do not need to stop the oven. To change to Full Power, simply press **0**, then press **COOKMATIC LEVEL**.
9. The oven will stop and sound a signal at the end of cooking time.

# USING THE AUTOMATIC TEMPERATURE CONTROL SYSTEM

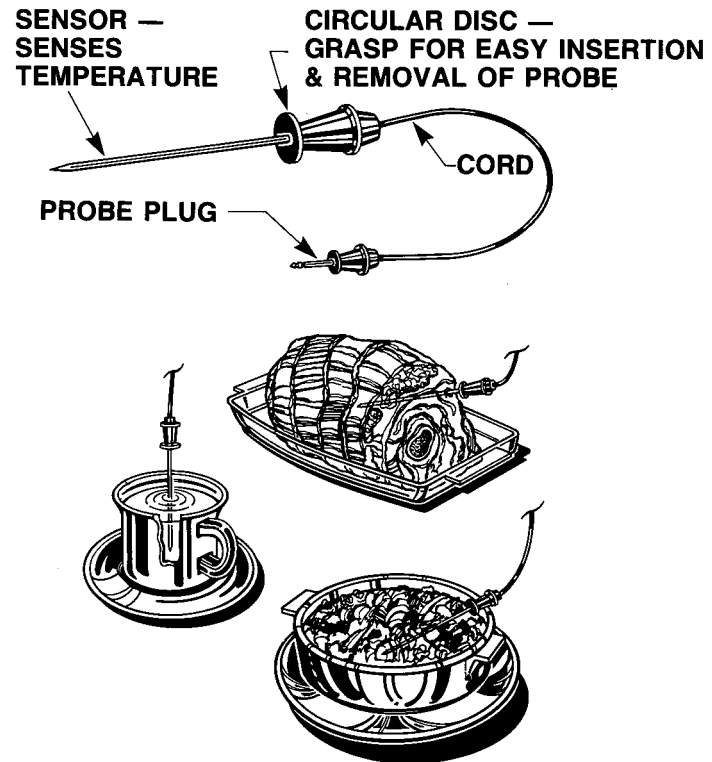
Read these special hints first.

Use the automatic temperature control system to cook foods, especially meats, to a precise temperature. It can also be used for reheating leftovers, warming soups and beverages and many other tasks. You can hold a casserole, fondue, meat or almost any other food at serving temperature for even the latest of the late-arrivals.

1. **Do not use the temperature probe to cook candies.** The highest temperature sensed by the probe is 190°F, while most candies require temperatures of 230°F or higher.
2. **Insert the temperature probe as shown at right:**  
**Meats** — Insert probe sensor tip in the thickest lean section, halfway between the center and the exterior, but away from fat and bone.  
**Casseroles, Leftovers, Beverages** — Insert probe sensor tip in center.
3. **Be sure probe is securely inserted into food.** If the probe accidentally falls out of food, air temperature will be sensed and food will not cook properly. The probe could become damaged.
4. **Do not use the probe with foil or other metal.** Arcing could result. If the recipe suggests using foil, do not use the probe.
5. **Do not operate the oven if probe is caught in oven door.**
6. **Do not use the automatic temperature control system when cooking different foods at the same time.** Different foods cook at different speeds, and the results may be unsatisfactory.
7. **Do not force the temperature probe into frozen food.** The sensor tip could be damaged or the probe could break.
8. **Use a hot pad to remove the hot temperature probe.** During cooking, the probe could become hot enough to burn you.
9. **Always remove the probe after use.** Do not store it in

the oven. Keep it in a place where it won't become lost or damaged.

10. **Wash the probe with hot, soapy water.** Do not immerse the probe plug in water nor wash in an automatic dishwasher. Rinse and dry probe thoroughly.



## TRY IT! COOKING TO TEMPERATURE/ HOLDING AT TEMPERATURE

**Note:** The Temperature-Hold feature is designed to operate when the set temperature is 140°F or above. Food such as cooked meat, poultry or fish should be held at 140°F or above to prevent the growth of bacteria or the production of toxins.

1. **Read the rules and hints above.**
2. **Place food in oven. Insert temperature probe tip into food, insert probe plug into right oven interior wall near the back and close oven door.**
3. **Press RESET.**
4. **If less than full microwave power is desired, press number for Cookmatic power level, then simply press COOKMATIC LEVEL.**
5. **Press numbers for desired temperature** (to cook to 140°F, press **1, 4, 0**). The numbers will be displayed. The probe's temperature sensing range is 100° to 190° F.
6. **Press ACCU-TEMP.** The display will show "MICRO" and the set temperature if the probe has been inserted securely. (If the probe is not inserted securely or is damaged, the Error Signal will sound a short tone and the display will show the cooking program number when you press **ACCU-TEMP**. Reinsert probe and

reprogram instructions. If the problem persists, see page 14 for how to correct it.)

7. **Press START** and the oven will operate. (You don't program cooking time, because the oven will cook to temperature only.) The display will show "POWER" and "MICRO" and the actual temperature of the food. To see the end temperature, press **COOKING PROGRAM**. The display will show "P1" for one second and then display the set temperature.
8. **To change the set temperature during cooking, press numbers for the new temperature, then press ACCU-TEMP.** Do not stop the oven.
9. **When the set temperature is reached, the oven will sound a signal.** If the set temperature is 139° F or lower, the oven will automatically stop when the temperature is reached.  
**AUTOMATIC HOLD** — If the set temperature is 140°F or higher, the oven will automatically "hold" food at that temperature for 60 minutes or until you press **STOP**. If you stop and restart the oven during the hold period, the timing of the 60 minutes will begin again. (If you wish to keep track of the time the food is held, press

numbers for the time desired, then press **TIMER**. To see the actual temperature, press **RESET**. To see the amount of time remaining, press **TIMER**.)

10. When cooking is finished, press **STOP**, then press **RESET** to return to the time of day. Remove probe from the oven.

## TRY IT! USING THE TEMPERATURE PROBE WITHOUT COOKING

You can use the temperature probe as a thermometer, even when the oven isn't cooking. For example, you may want to see if tap water is warm enough to soften dry yeast (105°F to 115°F), or if food is less than serving temperature (less than 140°F).

1. Place food or water item in the oven.
2. Insert temperature probe tip into item and probe plug into oven cavity wall receptacle.

3. Press **RESET**.
4. Press **ACCU-TEMP**. The number displayed is the actual temperature of the item.
5. Remove probe and press **RESET** to return display to the time of day.

## TRY IT! PROGRAMMED COOKING USING 2 COOKING PROGRAMS

This oven can remember up to two cooking programs, so you can defrost food and cook, all with one set of instructions, simply by pressing **COOKING PROGRAM** between each instruction.

NOTE: If using the temperature probe, the **Accu-Temp** function must occupy the final program in a sequence for the automatic "hold" feature to work. Programming **Accu-Temp** in the first program will cause the oven not to hold after cooking to temperature.

1. Put food in oven and close oven door.
2. Insert temperature probe in the food and in the oven if one of your programs will involve cooking to temperature.
3. Close oven door.
4. Press **RESET**.
5. Enter the desired **COOKMATIC LEVEL** and cooking time.

Be sure to press a cooking function (**COOK**, **ACCU-THAW**, or **ACCU-TEMP**) before advancing to Program 2.

6. Press **COOKING PROGRAM** to "step" or "advance" to Program 2. The display will flash "P2" for one second and then go blank.
7. Enter your instructions for Program 2, as you did in step #5, then press **START**.
8. Always check programming instructions before starting the oven. Uncorrected mistakes can cause food to cook improperly or be ruined. To check, press **COOKING PROGRAM** until the time of day is displayed. Then press **COOKING PROGRAM** again. The display will flash "P1" for one second and then display the programmed instructions. Repeat for Program 2.

*then press COOKING PROGRAM*

## TRY IT! CHANGING A COOKING PROGRAM AFTER THE OVEN STARTS

To change part of a 2 cooking program sequence after the oven starts, proceed as follows:

1. To change the program in which the oven is cooking, simply enter the correct instructions while the oven continues to operate. The oven will immediately follow the new instructions.
2. To change one program while the oven cooks in

another program, press **COOKING PROGRAM** to advance to the program to be changed. Enter new instructions, then press **RESET** to return the display to the current program.

## TRY IT! INSTANT REPLAY

Your oven has "instant replay" features that let you ask questions about what you've programmed before and after the oven starts. Just press the word pad that describes what you want to know and the answer will be displayed. Always press **RESET** to return to the original readout.

To ask the oven:

- "WHAT'S THE TEMPERATURE OF THE FOOD?" (when cooking to temperature) — Press **ACCU-TEMP** and the answer will be displayed.

- "WHAT DID I TELL YOU TO DO IN THE SECOND COOKING PROGRAM?" (when using 2 cooking programs) — Press **COOKING PROGRAM** repeatedly until "P2" flashes in the display. The answer will also be displayed.
- "WHAT TIME OF DAY IS IT?" — Press **CLOCK** and the answer will be displayed.

## TRY IT! USING THE OVEN RACK

The oven rack may be used to double the amount of food placed in your oven. To install the rack in the oven, open the oven door as wide as possible and place the rack in the rack supports located on the left and right sides of the oven interior. To clean the rack, wipe it with a soft sponge or cloth dampened with mild, sudsy water, or hand-wash in sink. Do not wash in a dishwasher or use harsh, abrasive cleanser.

### Placement of food

Dishes may be placed on the floor and rack. Space must be allowed between foods for proper cooking results.

The following dish sizes will fit together on either the oven rack or floor with the rack in place:

- 9 x 5 x 2-inch loaf dish and 1½-quart utility dish
- 9 x 5 x 2-inch loaf dish and 1-quart covered casserole
- 1½-quart covered casserole
- 9-inch round cake dish or pie plate

Do not use a browning skillet on the rack. Heat from the skillet could damage the rack and oven interior.

### Reheating

Plates of food may be easily reheated in the oven. Leftovers taste as good as they did the first time! Place one plate above the other. Heat at Full Power and switch plate positions halfway through cooking time. For best results, cover plates loosely with plastic wrap.

### Defrosting

Baked products may be defrosted on the rack. Donuts, breads, cakes and sandwiches may become soggy if placed on the oven floor while defrosting. Refer to the cookbook that came with this oven or the Accu-Thaw charts in this manual for approximate defrosting times.

### Cooking a Meal

To cook a meal, select foods which cook well at Full Power. Foods that have the longest cooking times should be placed on the rack. Arrange other food on the oven floor.

To estimate total cooking time, add recommended times for each food from the cookbook. Cook for half of total time.

## MAINTENANCE — CLEANING THE OVEN

### To Clean The Oven and Door Interior

If the inside walls, floor, door and splatter shield at the top of the oven should become splattered, simply wipe them with a paper towel or clean with a mild detergent in warm water using a soft sponge or cloth. If desired, a cup of water can be boiled in the oven to loosen soil before cleaning. After boiling the water, allow the water vapor to settle on the oven walls and soften the soil for several minutes before you open the door.

Do not use an abrasive to clean the inside. It might damage the finish. Never pour water into the bottom of the oven.

### To Clean the Splatter Shield Inside Oven

The splatter shield keeps the top of the oven and antenna from getting dirty. Normally, a damp cloth will remove any splatter from the shield. However, if you want to clean it more thoroughly, remove the splatter shield. Be careful not to bend the antenna when removing the splatter shield. The shield snaps into a lip in the front of the oven and three slots in the back wall. Place your thumbs in the two indentations in the front of the shield. Press lightly towards the back and carefully lower the shield away from the antenna. Pull the shield out of the back slots and out of the oven.

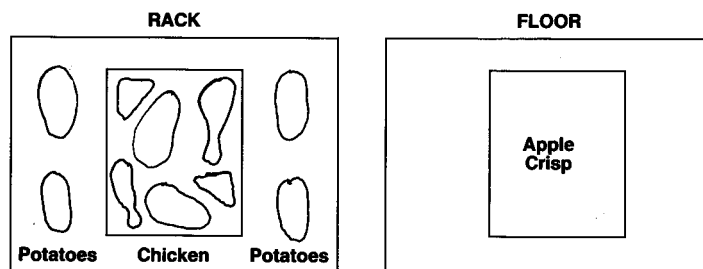
Wash the shield in hot soapy water. Do not wash in a dishwasher. Do not use harsh or abrasive cleansers. When replacing, again be careful not to bend the antenna. To replace, fit shield tabs into the three slots at the top of the back. Lift front until shield snaps into place.

Reverse position of foods from rack to floor. Cook for remaining time, checking for doneness 3 to 5 minutes before end of estimated time.

Sample meal for four:

Menu	Estimated Time
Baked Chicken, covered	21 minutes
Baked potatoes, pierced	12 minutes
Apple crisp	11 minutes

Food Placement:



Other meats and main dishes that may work well are whole chicken, macaroni and cheese, turkey breast, or sausage.

### PRECAUTIONS

#### TO AVOID DAMAGE TO OVEN CAVITY FINISH:

- USE RACK ONLY ACCORDING TO INSTRUCTIONS IN THIS USE AND CARE MANUAL
- WHEN USING THE RACK, IT MUST BE FULLY ENGAGED IN RACK SUPPORTS BEFORE OPERATING OVEN
- WHEN INSTALLED, RACK MUST NOT TOUCH THE OVEN CAVITY WALLS
- DO NOT LAY RACK ON BOTTOM OF OVEN
- DO NOT STORE RACK IN OVEN. KEEP IT IN A PLACE WHERE IT WON'T BECOME LOST OR DAMAGED

To check antenna operation, place a glass or cup of water in the unit, close the door and start the unit. A rotating shadow should be visible above the splatter shield.

**To Clean the Temperature Probe** wash the metal probe in hot, soapy water. Do not immerse the probe or wires in water. Do not wash probe in dishwasher.

**To Clean the Oven Tray**, lift up the tray and remove. Wash in warm detergent or in a dishwasher. If the oven tray should stain, pour household liquid bleach or prepared Dip-It® over bottom of tray to cover. Let stand until stain is removed.

**To Clean the Oven Exterior**, use a soft sponge or cloth dampened with mild, sudsy water. Do not use abrasive cleaners.

### To Clean the Discharge Air Vents

There will be a slight buildup of cooking vapors along the discharge louvers in the back of the oven on the right hand side. Clean the air vent with a damp cloth.

### Always Keep the Control Panel Clean

To clean the control panel, wipe with a damp cloth or sponge. If the time of day is accidentally erased from the control, press **RESET**, then set the correct time of day. If you wish to use the optional entry tone, unplug the oven, then follow Step A on page 3 before setting the clock.



# HOW TO CHANGE THE OVEN LIGHT

The lightbulb for the inside of the oven can be changed only from the back. On the upper left hand side of the oven back is a metal plate with one screw. The lightbulb is located behind this plate.

Follow these steps to change the bulb:

- Unplug the oven from the electrical outlet.
- Facing the oven back, remove the screw and remove the plate.
- To remove the bulb, turn it counterclockwise, being careful not to burn fingers or break the bulb.
- Replace the bulb with a 40 watt, 115-125 volt appliance bulb, which can be purchased at grocery or hardware stores. To replace bulb, turn it clockwise.

- Reposition the plate, being careful not to bend the hinge tab. Replace and tighten the screw. Do not operate the oven without having the plate in place.
- Connect the oven to power outlet.



To remove bulb  
turn in the direction shown.

# IF THE OVEN TRAY IS DAMAGED

The oven tray must be in place when operating the oven. This allows the microwaves to be reflected up into the bottom of the food that is being cooked.

If the tray is accidentally damaged it must be replaced with the same type of tray from your Amana dealer.

# BEFORE YOU CALL FOR SERVICE:

Be sure you have read and followed the operating instructions. Avoid unnecessary service calls. The electronic control module used in this microwave oven is the finest in versatility, quality and reliability. In many cases, a customer call for module timer service is caused by conditions other than failure of the controls. That's why you should read the following before calling for service.

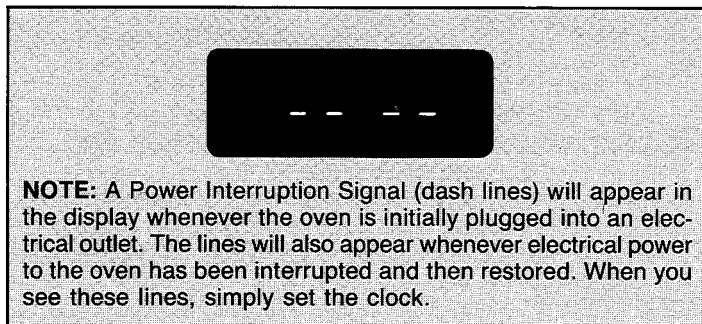
- Is the oven plugged into a properly grounded and polarized outlet as described in the grounding instructions (page 2)? Improper installation can result in erratic operation.
- If the condition remains unchanged, perform the steps listed in the box on this page.

## IF MICROWAVE POWER WON'T COME ON:

- Did you press **START** ?
- Is the oven door securely closed?
- If the condition remains unchanged, perform the steps listed in the box on this page.

## IF THE OVEN LIGHT PULSES DIMMER, THEN BRIGHTER:

- Is the line voltage to your home low or lower than usual? (The power company in your area should be able to tell you if there is low voltage to your home.)



## IF THE READOUT DISPLAY DOESN'T LIGHT UP:

- Is the oven plugged securely into the proper power outlet?
- Is a fuse blown or circuit breaker open?
- If the condition remains unchanged, perform the steps listed in the box on this page.

## IF THE READOUT APPEARS WRONG:

- Did you remember to press **RESET** before programming the oven?
- Have you (or someone else) pressed the controls after cooking has started?
- If the condition remains unchanged, perform the steps listed in the box on this page.

## IF THE CONTROL WILL NOT ACCEPT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS:

- For cooking to temperature, check to see if the probe jack is securely inserted into the oven receptacle. (Review explanation, page 11.)
- For cooking by time, if the condition remains unchanged, perform the steps listed in the box on this page.

## IF ANOTHER FEATURE DOESN'T APPEAR TO BE OPERATING CORRECTLY:

- Have you followed the use and care instructions exactly? Review them to be sure.
- Did you press **RESET** before programming the oven?

If condition remains unchanged, please perform the following steps:

- Check to see if a fuse or circuit breaker is open.
- Unplug the oven.
- Reconnect the oven to the wall outlet. Dash lines will appear in the display.
- Press **RESET**. (Dash lines will disappear.)

**YOUR OVEN MUST BE ON A GROUNDED, POLARIZED CIRCUIT.**

## IF ROOM LIGHTS DIM OR PULSE DIMMER, THEN BRIGHTER WHEN THE OVEN IS IN USE:

- Is the microwave oven on a separate circuit? (Review grounding instructions on page 2.)

## IF THE TEMPERATURE PROBE APPEARS NOT TO FUNCTION CORRECTLY:

- Is the probe jack securely inserted into the receptacle? This tells the oven that it is about to be set to cook to temperature.
- Is the food you're attempting to heat already hotter than the temperature you've programmed?
- Is the food completely defrosted?
- Has the probe been accidentally left in the oven when cooking by a method other than temperature cooking? The probe could be destroyed by leaving it in the oven when cooking by a method other than temperature cooking.