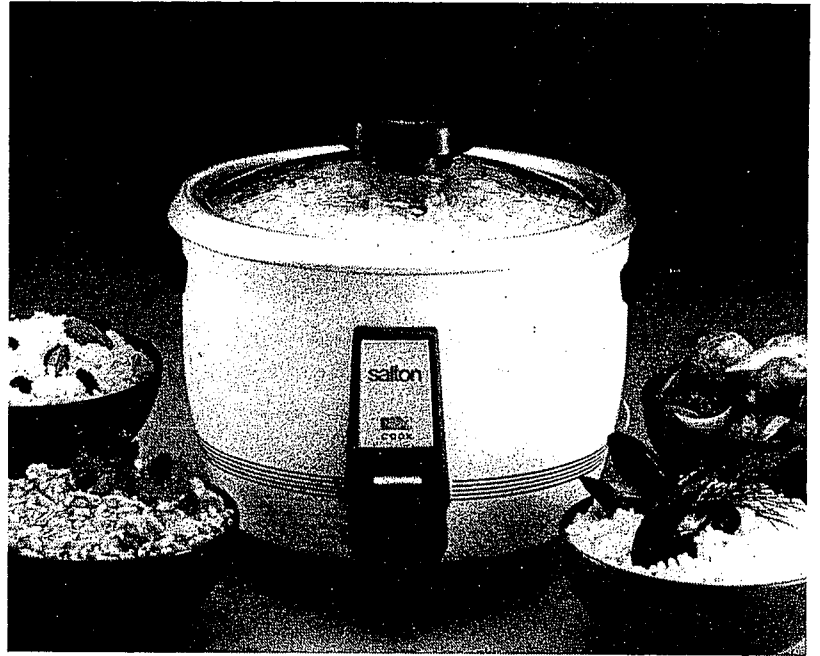


OWNER'S MANUAL
MODEL No. RA-3

Automatic Rice Cooker



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IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

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

1. Read all instructions.
2. Do not touch hot surfaces. Use pot holders when removing cover or handling hot containers.
3. To protect against electrical shock, do not immerse cord, plug or base unit (heating plate) in water or other liquid.
4. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children. Keep out of reach of children.
5. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Unplug before putting on or taking off parts, and allow to cool before cleaning.
6. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or after the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner. Return appliance to the Salton/MAXIM Service Center for examination, repair or adjustment.
7. The use of accessory attachments not recommended by Salton/MAXIM may cause hazards.
8. Do not use outdoors.
9. Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter, or touch hot surfaces.
10. Do not place on or near a hot gas or electric burner, or in a heated oven.
11. Extreme caution must be used when moving an appliance containing hot food, water, or other hot liquids.
12. Only plug cord into wall outlet, not extension cords. To disconnect, remove by plug from the outlet by grasping the plug. Do not pull the cord. Avoid jerking or straining the cord.
13. Do not use appliance for other than intended use.
14. Lift and open cover carefully to avoid scalding, and allow water to drip into rice cooker.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

Additional Important Safeguards

1. **CAUTION:** This appliance generates heat and escaping steam during use. Proper precautions must be taken to prevent the risk of burns, fires or other damage to persons or property.
2. All users of this appliance must read and understand this Owner's Manual before operating or cleaning this appliance.
3. The cord to this appliance should be plugged into a 120V AC electrical outlet only.
4. When using this appliance, provide adequate air space above and on all sides for air circulation. Do not allow this appliance to touch curtains, wall coverings, clothing, dishtowels or other flammable materials during use.
5. Do not leave this appliance unattended during use.
6. This appliance generates steam — do not operate uncovered.
7. If this appliance begins to malfunction during use, immediately unplug the cord. Do not use or attempt to repair the malfunctioning appliance! Do not use the inner pot or glass lid if cracked or chipped.
8. **THIS APPLIANCE IS FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY.**

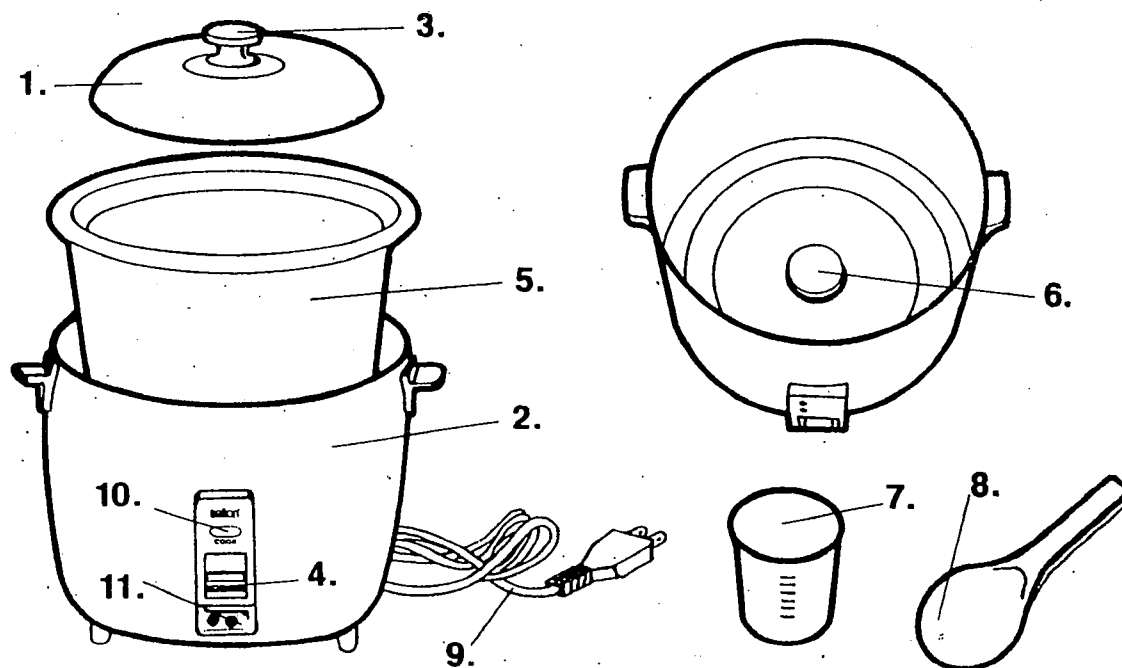
Before Using For The First Time

Clean the glass lid, inner pot, rice paddle and measuring cup, following the User Maintenance Instructions on page 6.

Do not immerse the heating body of your rice cooker in water or any other liquid!

Getting to Know Your Salton® RA-3 Electric Rice Cooker

Before using your Electric Rice Cooker for the first time, you must become familiar with all of the parts. Read all instructions and safeguards carefully.



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| 1. Glass lid | 5. Inner pot | 9. Detachable cord |
| 2. Heating body | 6. Heating plate | 10. "Cook" light |
| 3. Handle | 7. Measuring cup | 11. Cord receptacle |
| 4. Rice cooking switch button | 8. Rice paddle | |

Instructions For Use

1. Measure the raw rice.

Measure raw rice for desired amount with the special **measuring cup provided**, 180 ml. One (1) cup of the uncooked rice will make about 3 cups of cooked rice.

NOTE: The rice cooker is capable of cooking up to 3 cups of the uncooked rice only. (See figure below)



Many varieties of rice can be used, including basmati, wild, black rice, arborio risotto, saffron rice, and long grain. **We do not recommend using instant rice with this rice cooker.**

Whole grains, such as barley, can also be prepared with the rice cooker. Follow package instructions.

2. Wash the measured rice in a separate bowl, if desired.

Instructions For Use *(continued)*

3. Attach AC cord to the cooker. Do not plug it into the wall outlet until ready to cook. Put rice into the inner pot and add water.

For example, to cook 3 cups of uncooked rice, add 3 measuring cups of water. The WATER LEVEL of the inner pot is for reference, and adjust the amount of water to your personal taste. Do not use wine, broth or other liquids.

4. Set the inner pot into the cooker.

Make sure that the inner pot is directly in contact with the heating plate by turning it slightly from right to left until it seats properly.

NOTE: If the outside of the inner pot is wet when placed into the cooker, this may cause a cracking noise while the unit heats up. Also this may incur damages to the inner working of the appliance, so always wipe the outside of the pot completely before use.

5. Cover with the lid.

DO NOT OPERATE THIS APPLIANCE UNCOVERED — STEAM IS GENERATED DURING USE!

6. Plug the cord into a 120V AC electrical outlet. Switch the rice cooker on. Make sure the "Cook" light is on. Steaming will start shortly.

7. Steam for 15 min. after the Rice Cooking switch is turned off.

When the Rice Cooking switch turns off by itself, leave the lid closed to steam for approximately 15 minutes.

8. Mix the rice.

After 15 minutes of steaming, carefully open the lid taking care to avoid escaping steam. Use the rice paddle or other long-handle utensil to scoop and mix the rice well to allow steam to escape.

CAUTION: Steam will escape. **DO NOT TOUCH THE INNER POT OR THE HEATING BODY!**

DO NOT TOUCH THE INNER POT OR THE HEATING BODY UNTIL THEY HAVE COOLED!

9. Allow the appliance to cool completely before cleaning.
10. Disconnect the plug from the cooker as well as the wall outlet when not in use.

Cooking Hints

- ☐ **Washing rice** — Bran gives an unpleasant smell to the cooked rice. Be sure to wash rice thoroughly. Washing with water will be effective to quickly and thoroughly remove bran.

NOTE: Some rice suppliers suggest not to wash rice because vitamins may be lost.

- ☐ Keep the inner pot and glass lid clean after use. Wash in warm soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry.
- ☐ Avoid keeping the rice cooker in operation —
 - When there is only small amount of rice left in pot.
 - When the rice scoop is inside the cooker, and
 - To warm up cold rice
- ☐ **Steaming** —
 - Clean and prepare your vegetables.
 - Place the inner pot into the rice cooker body. The length of steaming time is subject to your own personal tastes; do you prefer al dente (crunchy) steamed vegetables or a softer consistency?

VEGETABLE STEAMING CHART*

Vegetable	Cook Time (min.)	Vegetable	Cook Time (min.)
Asparagus	8 – 10	Cauliflower	11 – 13
Bean Sprouts	3 – 4	Celery	8 – 12
Beans: green, wax, French cut	8 – 10	Greens: collard, spinach, etc.	6 – 11
Broccoli	11 – 13	Mushrooms: fresh sliced	3 – 4
Brussels Sprouts	11 – 13	Pea pods	4 – 6
Cabbage: shredded	6 – 8	Potatoes (1)	10 – 12
wedges	14 – 16	(3)	19 – 22
Carrots	8 – 10	Squash: acorn, butternut	13 – 16
		Zucchini	10 – 12

- Find the vegetable on the steaming chart above. Measure water needed according to the length of time vegetables are required to cook. Add water into the inner pot.

4 ounces water = 7 – 9 minutes

8 ounces water = 15 – 17 minutes

- *We have outlined a general guide to follow. Test for desired doneness when cooking times indicated have been reached. As you cook with this appliance, adapt times and measurements to your own personal tastes.
- Place the steamer rack into the inner pot.
- Add vegetables and put the glass lid onto the appliance, and switch to cook position, for the appropriate time as shown in the above chart.
- Please unplug this appliance after use.

User Maintenance Instructions

This appliance should be cleaned after every use.

1. Unplug the appliance from unit and then wall outlet when not in use and before cleaning. **NEVER immerse heating body in water.** Allow the rice cooker to cool before cleaning.
2. **DO NOT use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads or steel wool to clean this appliance.**
3. Heating body. Lightly wipe the exterior with a damp cloth. **DO NOT IMMERSE THE HEATING BODY IN WATER OR ANY OTHER LIQUID!** Dry thoroughly with a soft cloth.
4. Inner pot. Fill with hot water and let sit for a while, and then wash in hot, soapy water with a sponge and dry thoroughly with a cloth.
5. Glass lid, Measuring cup, Rice paddle. Wash in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry.

CAUTION: Handle the glass lid with extreme care, as it may become slippery when wet.

6. Heating plate, Thermostat. Grains of rice or other foreign matters may stick to the heating plate. These must be removed to prevent inadequate cooking. To remove the cooked rice, smooth sand paper can be used. Smooth out and polish the spot for good contact between the heating plate and the bottom of the inner pot.
7. Acid based foods, such as vinegar and salt may cause corrosion.
8. There are no user serviceable parts inside this appliance. Do not attempt to repair this appliance yourself, as you could render it dangerous to use. Return it to the Salton/MAXIM Service Center for repairs.

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This appliance has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other). As a safety feature, this plug will fit in a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully in the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Do not attempt to defeat the safety feature.

LIMITED WARRANTY

Products distributed by Salton/MAXIM Housewares, Inc. are warranted for one year from date of purchase against defects in workmanship and material. During that period these defects will be repaired or the product will be replaced at Salton/MAXIM's option, without charge. This warranty covers normal consumer usage and does not cover damage which occurs in shipment or failure which results from alteration, accident, misuse, abuse, neglect, installation, commercial use or improper maintenance. This warranty is effective only if the product is purchased and operated in the USA, and does not extend to any units which have been used in violation of written instructions furnished by Salton/MAXIM Housewares, Inc., or to units which have been altered or modified without authorization of Salton/MAXIM Housewares, Inc., or to damage to products or parts thereof which have had the serial number removed, altered, defaced or rendered illegible. This warranty does not cover damage which results from unauthorized repairs.

Service and Repair

DONOT attempt to repair your SALTON® RA-3 Automatic Rice Cooker. Attempts to repair this appliance yourself may render it dangerous to use. Should the appliance malfunction, you should first call our CONSUMER SERVICE DEPARTMENT toll free at 1-800-233-9054 Mon.-Fri. between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm Central Standard Time, stating that you are a consumer with a problem. If the problem cannot be resolved, you will be asked to return the appliance to the factory for repair. Under no circumstances should you attempt to open the housing and repair the appliance. Should you do this, your warranty will be voided.

To Return for Service

1. Securely package and return the product, PREPAID to:
Salton/MAXIM Housewares, Inc., Repair Department
708 South Missouri St. Macon, MO 63552-1343
2. Be sure to enclose:
 - a. Your name, address and phone number.
 - b. The date of purchase (or receipt as a gift).
 - c. An explanation of the malfunction or reason for return.
 - d. Six dollars (\$6.00) Check or Money Order payable to Salton/MAXIM Housewares, Inc. for return postage and handling.
 - e. To insure prompt "In-Warranty" service, be sure to include proof of date of purchase.

We recommend you take the necessary precaution of insuring the parcel.

3. **Toll Free Number: 1-800-233-9054.**



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IMPORTANT NOTICE

If any parts are missing or
defective **DO NOT**
return this product.

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Service Department
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800-233-9054

Monday–Friday

9am–5pm CST

Thank You