

# READ AND SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

**WARNING:** A risk of fire and electrical shock exists in all electrical appliances and may cause personal injury or death. Please follow all safety instructions.



## Coffeemaker with Charcoal Water Filter and Digital Timer

Use and Care Guide  
Model MECFIOD

### IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock and injury to persons, including the following:

- Read all instructions before using appliance.
- Do not touch hot surfaces.
- Do not immerse cord, plug or coffeemaker unit in water or other liquid.
- This appliance is not for use by children.
- Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used near children.
- Unplug from outlet when not in use. Unplug and allow to cool before attaching or removing parts and before cleaning the appliance.
- Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter or touch hot surfaces.
- Do not place on or near hot gas or electric burner or in a heated oven.
- Do not use appliance for other than intended use.
- Carafe must never be used on a range top. Use only the designated carafe for your coffeemaker.
- Do not set a hot carafe on a wet or cold surface.
- Do not use a cracked carafe or a carafe having a loose or weakened handle.
- Do not clean carafe with abrasive cleaners, steel wool pads or other abrasive material.
- Do not remove basket or lids during brewing cycle.
- Allow filter basket to cool before removing it from coffeemaker.
- DO NOT POUR LIQUID OTHER THAN WATER AND THE CLEANING SOLUTION SPECIFIED IN THIS MANUAL INTO THE WATER CHAMBER (see instructions for cleaning the coffeemaker).
- Do not move entire unit when carafe contains hot liquid.
- Do not operate any damaged appliance. Do not operate with a damaged cord

or plug, or after the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner. Return appliance to the nearest authorized service center for examination, repair, electrical or mechanical adjustment.

- Use attachments only if recommended by manufacturer.
- Be certain lids are securely in place before operating appliance.
- Do not use outdoors or while standing in a damp area.
- Coffeemaker must be left to cool down for approximately 10 minutes before adding more water.
- **WARNING:** Do not remove bottom cover. No user serviceable parts inside. Repair must be done by authorized service personnel only.

# SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

## THIS PRODUCT FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY

**CAUTION:** A short power supply cord is provided to reduce the risk of personal injury resulting from becoming entangled in or tripping over a longer cord. Extension cords are available from local hardware stores and may be used if care is exercised in their use. If an extension cord is required, special care and caution is necessary. Also the cord must be: (1) marked with an electrical rating of 125 V and at least 13A., 1625 W., and (2) the cord must be arranged so that it will not drape over the countertop or tabletop where it can be pulled on by children or tripped over accidentally.

**POLARIZED PLUG:** This appliance has a polarized plug, (one blade is wider than the other). As a safety feature to reduce the risk of electrical shock, this plug is intended to 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 this safety feature.

**ELECTRIC POWER:** If the electric circuit is overloaded with other appliances, your appliance may not operate properly. It should be operated on a separate electrical circuit from other appliances.

## COFFEEMAKER

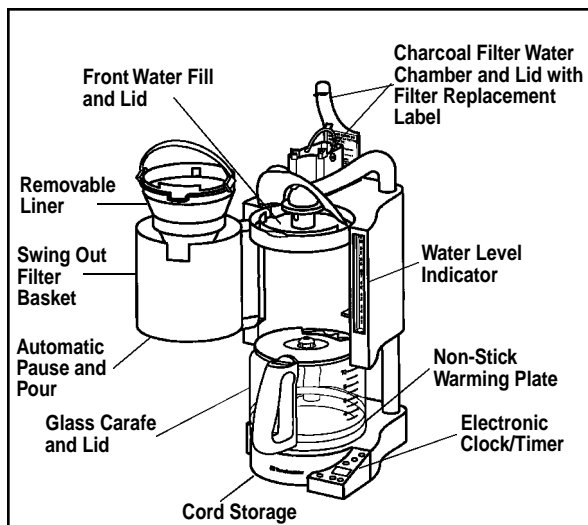


FIGURE 1

## CHARCOAL FILTRATION SYSTEM

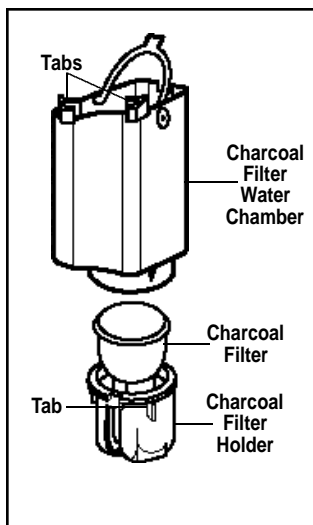


FIGURE 2

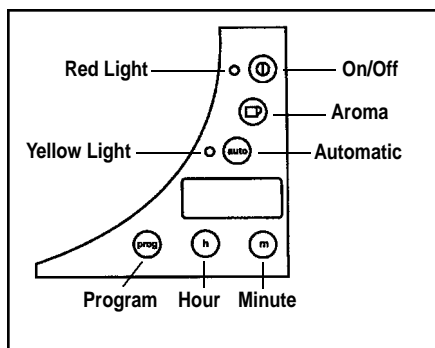


FIGURE 3

## BEFORE USING YOUR COFFEEMAKER

**Caution:** Press the off button, unplug from outlet.

Become familiar with parts of the unit, (see figures 1, 2, and 3).

Clean the carafe and lid, removable filter liner, permanent goldtone filter, water chamber lid, and holder. Insert charcoal water filter; do not attempt to clean the filter. See "CARE AND CLEANING." Fill the coffeemaker with the maximum amount of water and turn the unit on. Follow procedures for "BREWING" (without coffee). Unplug coffeemaker and discard the water. Wait 10 minutes to allow heating elements to cool. Repeat the process one more time.

**Caution:** Do not immerse cord, plug or coffeemaker unit in water or other liquid.

## **WATER FILTER**

This unit features an optional charcoal water filter to provide optimum taste and removal of most of the chlorine from tap water, along with other metals and particles often found in tap water. To insert the charcoal filter, remove the lid of the water chamber. Take the water chamber by the handle and lift directly up and out. Turn filter holder counter clockwise until it releases. Place charcoal filter in water filter holder, aligning arrow on chamber with tab on holder, push up and turn clockwise, (see figure 2). Reposition chamber in coffeemaker aligning tabs on chamber and grooves in coffeemaker; replace lid. The water will be filtered when poured either directly through the water chamber or through the frontal water fill. Filters should be replaced either after 60 uses or 6 weeks (whichever occurs first) and can be ordered directly from the Consumer Relations Department by calling toll-free 1-800-947-3744 OR 1-800-947-3745.

Each charcoal water filter comes with a set of monthly stickers to attach to the label located on the water chamber lid. Write day next to month; this will allow you to keep track of when you started using the water filter.

If you use spring or bottled water or your water contains only a small amount of chlorine, you may not notice a difference in the taste of your coffee when using the filter.

## **BREW STRENGTH SELECTOR**

To ensure optimum flavor, the brewing strength selector regulates the brewing process based upon the amount of coffee being prepared. When preparing four cups or less, press the aroma button. A cup will appear in the display. This will slow down the flow of water into the filter basket to provide a rich coffee flavor by promoting a better saturation of grounds for smaller quantities. When preparing five or more cups, reset the selector. The cup will disappear from the window. This will prepare a full pot of coffee at the normal rate, allowing ample time for the grounds to be saturated, without importing a bitter taste.

## **AUTO SAFETY SHUT-OFF**

The auto safety shut-off will automatically shut off the coffeemaker after two hours from start of brew cycle. This feature will prevent the coffeemaker from being left on for an extended period of time, which can be harmful to the coffeemaker and the coffee carafe. The auto shut-off will work when brew time is programmed or when coffeemaker is started without setting clock and timer.

## **SETTING THE CLOCK**

By setting the clock you are able to program the coffeemaker for automatic brewing any time within the next 24 hours. The clock only needs to be set if you are going to use the timer for automatic brewing at a later time.

1. Plug into 120 V ~ 60 Hz outlet. The AM is displayed and 12:00 will flash

in the display window.

2. Press the hour button to set the hour and to choose AM or PM.
3. Press the minute button to set the minutes.

Note: If the button is pressed and held the time will advance quickly. Be certain that the AM and PM are correct when the times are set; otherwise, the timer will not start at the correct time of day.

## **PROGRAMMING THE TIMER**

1. Follow all steps for setting the clock.
2. Press the prog. (program) button.
3. Press the h (hours) button, AM or PM, to choose the time you want the coffeemaker to begin brewing the coffee.
4. Press the m (minutes) button to set the minutes.
5. Press the auto (automatic) button; the yellow light will come on. When the clock reaches the programmed time, the red operation light will come on and brewing will begin.

Note: To cancel the timer, press the auto button again so that light goes out.

## **BREWING**

1. Plug into 120 V ~ 60 Hz outlet.
2. Lift up the hinged water fill lid located at the front of unit and slowly add cold water to desired level using the water level indicator (between 3-10 cups). You may also pour water directly into the charcoal filter chamber. Both filling methods allow water to pass through the charcoal water filter.
3. Make sure that carafe with lid is properly seated on warming plate.
4. Open swing out filter basket. Insert the permanent goldtone filter or a #4 cone-shaped paper filter into removable liner and add coffee grounds. Return basket to closed position; it will click into place. Use approximately 1 measuring spoon of grounds for every cup of coffee.
5. If brewing less than 5 cups of coffee, press the aroma button. A cup will appear in the window.
6. Press the on button; the red indicator light will turn on.
7. If you wish to serve a cup of coffee before brew cycle is complete – “Pause and Pour,” – simply remove carafe from warming plate. Dripping will automatically cease. Return carafe to position on warming plate within 30 seconds; dripping will resume.

Note: If the carafe is not returned to the warming plate, the coffee will overflow from the filter basket.

8. Warming plate will automatically cycle to maintain serving temperature as long as unit is on.
9. Press the off button when carafe is empty or not in use. The red indicator light will turn off. The auto safety shut-off will shut off the coffeemaker after two hours from start of brew cycle.
10. Unplug and allow to cool for 10 minutes between cycles.

IMPORTANT: If not allowed to cool before immediate repeated use, water placed in water chamber may become overheated. A spray of steam could be released from openings, creating a risk of burns.

## HELPFUL HINTS FOR BREWING

- The markings on the water level indicator reflect the quantity of fresh water. The quantity of brewed coffee is less because the coffee grounds absorb water.
- Never use hot or carbonated water. This will damage the appliance.
- Never pour milk, liquid coffee, tea, etc. into the water chamber.

## CARE AND CLEANING

1. After brewing process, press the off button; the red indicator light will turn off.
2. Unplug and allow to cool completely before cleaning.
3. Open swing out filter basket and use handle to lift out removable liner and goldtone filter, (if used). Discard coffee grounds and paper filter (if used). Wash in warm sudsy water, rinse and dry all removable parts. Replace liner by fitting notch and handle in groove of filter basket.
4. Clean the outside of the coffeemaker with a damp cloth.

**CAUTION: DO NOT IMMERSE CORD, PLUG OR COFFEEMAKER UNIT IN WATER OR OTHER LIQUID.**

The life of your coffeemaker will be extended if you replace the charcoal filter as recommended, after 6 weeks or 60 uses.

## DESCALING

We recommend you deep clean your coffeemaker once a month since mineral deposits from tap water can form a coating in the coffeemaker, causing slower brewing time and possibly an off flavor in the coffee. To deep clean your coffeemaker:

1. Remove charcoal filtration system, (water chamber, filter holder, and filter).
2. Pour 1/2 cup vinegar into the carafe, and add cold water up to the 4 cup mark, pour into coffeemaker.
3. Place the permanent goldtone filter or a clean paper filter in the filter basket and close.
4. Follow "BREWING" instructions, (without coffee).
5. When the carafe has filled to the top of the metal band, turn coffeemaker off. Carefully remove the carafe and place on a heat resistant surface. Wait 15 minutes and pour solution back into coffeemaker. Be sure that basket is still in proper position.
6. Return carafe to warming plate.
7. Turn unit on again. Allow all solution to empty into carafe; turn unit off. After dripping stops, discard solution.
8. Allow coffeemaker to cool 10 minutes. Rinse it out by replacing charcoal filtration system and brewing a carafe full of cold water, (without coffee). Make sure to insert goldtone filter or a fresh paper filter before brewing.
9. At end of cycle, turn unit off, discard water and paper filter, (if used). Wash and dry all removable parts, (except charcoal filter).
10. When coffeemaker has cooled, wipe exterior with a damp cloth.

# IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

*Please call our Customer Service Department for assistance.*

**800-233-9054** Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm CST

*Thank You*

## ONE-YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

This Salton, Inc. product warranty extends to the original consumer purchaser of the product.

**Warranty Duration:** This product is warranted to the original consumer purchaser for a period of one (1) year from the original purchase date.

**Warranty Coverage:** This product is warranted against defective materials or workmanship. This warranty is void if the product has been damaged by accident, in shipment, unreasonable use, misuse, neglect, improper service, commercial use, repairs by unauthorized personnel or other causes not arising out of defects in materials or workmanship. 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, Inc., or to units which have been altered or modified or to damage to products or parts thereof which have had the serial number removed, altered, defaced or rendered illegible.

**Warranty Disclaimers:** This warranty is in lieu of all warranties expressed or implied and no representative or person is authorized to assume for Salton, Inc. any other liability in connection with the sale of our products. There shall be no claims for defects or failure of performance or product failure under any theory of tort, contract or commercial law including, but not limited to, negligence, gross negligence, strict liability, breach of warranty and breach of contract.

**Warranty Performance:** During the above one-year warranty period, a product with a defect will be either repaired or replaced with a reconditioned comparable model (at Salton, Inc. option) when the product is returned to the Salton, Inc. facility within the warranty period and an additional one-month period. No charge will be made for such repair or replacement.

### Service and Repair

Should the appliance malfunction, you should first call toll-free 1-800-233-9054 between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm Central Standard Time and ask for CUSTOMER SERVICE stating that you are a consumer with a problem.

**In-Warranty Service (USA)** for an appliance covered under the warranty period, no charge is made for service or postage.

**In-Warranty Service (Canada)** for an appliance covered under the warranty period, no charge is made for service or postage. Please return the product insured, packaged with sufficient protection, and postage and insurance prepaid to the address listed below. Customs duty/brokerage fee, if any, must be paid by the consumer.

**Out-of-Warranty Service:** A flat rate charge by model is made for out-of-warranty service. Include \$15.00 (U.S.) for return shipping and handling.

Salton, Inc. cannot assume responsibility for loss or damage during incoming shipment. For your protection, carefully package the product for shipment and insure it with the carrier. Be sure to enclose the following items with your appliance: any accessories related to your problem; your full return address and daytime phone number; a note describing the problem you experienced; a copy of your sales receipt or other proof of purchase to determine warranty status. C.O.D. shipments cannot be accepted.

Return the appliance to:

ATTN: Repair Department, Salton, Inc.

708 South Missouri St.

Macon, MO 63552

Consumer Service: 1-800-233-9054

Consumer Parts: 1-800-947-3744 or 1-800-947-3745

Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. CST

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