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HIGH PERFORMANCE KITCHENWARE



4-SLICE CLASSIC CHROME TOASTER

MODEL CET4

OWNER'S MANUAL

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

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 handles or knobs.
- 3. To protect against electrical shock, do not immerse Cord, Plug or the appliance in water or other liquid.
- 4. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
- 5. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Allow to cool thoroughly before putting on or taking off parts.
- 6. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug or after the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner. Contact Consumer Service for return authorization.
- 7. The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the appliance manufacturer may cause injuries.
- 8. Do not use outdoors.
- 9. Do not let the cord hang over the 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. To disconnect, press the "CANCEL" Button, then remove plug from wall outlet.
- 12. Do not use appliance for other than intended use.
- 13. Oversized foods, metal foil packages or utensils must not be inserted in a Toaster as they may involve a risk of fire or electric shock.
- 14. A fire may occur if toasters are covered or touching flammable material, including curtains, draperies, walls, and the like, when in operation.
- 15. Do not attempt to dislodge food when toaster is plugged in.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS THIS PRODUCT IS FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY.

Additional Important Safeguards

WARNING: RISK OF ELECTRICAL SHOCK. Never attempt to dislodge food inside the Toaster while the Toaster is plugged in. Doing so could cause a risk of electrical shock or fire.

CAUTION: This appliance is hot during operation and retains heat for some time after turning off. Always use oven mitts when handling hot materials and allow metal parts to cool before cleaning. Do not place anything on top of the Toaster while it is operating or while it is hot.

CAUTION: This appliance generates heat during use. Proper precautions must be taken to prevent the risk of burns, fires or other damage to persons or property.

- 1. All users of this appliance must read and understand this Owner's Manual before operating or cleaning this appliance.
- 2. The cord to this appliance should be plugged into a 120V AC electrical outlet only.
- 3. Do not leave this appliance unattended during use.
- 4. If this appliance begins to malfunction during use, immediately press the "CANCEL" Button and unplug the cord. Do not use or attempt to repair the malfunctioning appliance.
- Use the Toaster on a hard, flat surface. Do not place it near a flame or heat or on a soft surface (such as carpet). Avoid placing it where it may tip over during use. Dropping the Toaster could cause it to malfunction.
- 6. Avoid electric shock by unplugging the Toaster before cleaning.
- 7. Caution: Hot surface.
- 8. Use toaster in an open area with 4-6 inches air space above and on all sides for air circulation.
- 9. Do not defrost or toast convenience foods under any cabinet or overhang.
- 10. Do not clean with metal scouring pads. Pieces can break off the pad and touch electrical parts, creating a risk of electric shock.

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 into the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Do not attempt to defeat this safety feature.

Short Cord Instructions

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.

Do not use an extension cord with this toaster.

Electric Power

This appliance should be operated on a separate 15 Amp electrical circuit. Do not overload circuit with other appliances.

CAUTION: To prevent Plasticizers to migrate from the finish of the counter top or table top or other furniture, place **NON-PLASTIC** coasters or place-mats between the appliance and the finish of the counter top or table top.

Failure to do so may cause the finish to darken, permanent blemishes may occur or stains can appear.

Introduction

Congratulations on your purchase of the cook's essentials® 4-Slice Classic Chrome Toaster. This Toaster, with its classic looks and styling, offers you traditional toasting functions with the addition of a "Bagel" and "Defrost" cycle.

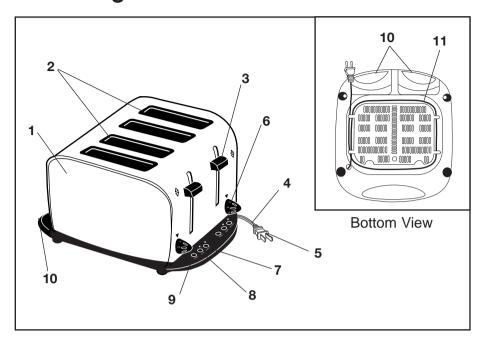
Enjoy chewy bagels or English Muffins by activating the "Bagel Cycle" —toasting occurs on only one side!

Finally, use the convenient "Defrost Cycle" to slowly defrost breads or other bread products before toasting for that perfect toasted consistency every time!

Before Using for the First Time

- 1. Remove any packaging materials which may be inside the Bread Slots and wipe the chrome exterior with a damp cloth. Dry thoroughly.
- 2. Be sure the Removable Crumb Trays are pushed all the way into the Toaster and flush with the Toaster Handle. When installed properly, the Crumb Tray will "lock" into position.
- 3. Unwrap power cord from Cord Storage Wrap on underside of Toaster.

Getting to Know Your CET4 Toaster



- 1. **Chrome Exterior** Attractive and easy to clean.
- 2. **Bread Slots** Extra large to accommodate thin or thick slices of bread, bagels, or muffins.
- 3. Carriage Lever Use to lower bread and begin operation.
- 4. Cord
- 5. Polarized Plug
- 6. **Adjustable Browning Control** Adjustable between 1 (light) and 7 (dark).
- 7. **Defrost Cycle Button** Use when toasting frozen bread/bagels, waffles, etc. Slowly defrosts bread before toasting to encourage proper browning.
- 8. **Bagel Cycle Button** Use for toasting bagels or English muffins; toasts only one side for a perfect bagel/English muffin every time!
- 9. **Cancel Button** Stops or interrupts toasting cycle and automatically raises bread to end toasting cycle.
- Crumb Trays Slide out for easy cleaning. (Plastic Handle P/N 21626L -Left, P/N 21626R -Right), (Metal Tray P/N 21128)
- 11. **Cord Storage Wrap** Cord wraps around storage compartment on bottom of Toaster.

Instructions for Use

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CAUTION: This appliance is hot during operation and retains heat for some time after turning off. Always use oven mitts when handling hot materials and allow metal parts to cool before cleaning. Do not place anything on top of the Toaster while it is operating or while it is hot.

CAUTION:

- DO NOT toast pastries with runny fillings or frosting.
- DO NOT toast torn slices of bread.
- DO NOT place buttered bread or wrapped food into the Toaster.
- DO NOT toast small-size breads like "melba", minibaguettes, breadsticks, etc.

Toasting Bread

- 1. Be sure no bread or other objects are inside the Bread Slots. Place Toaster on a flat, level surface and plug power cord into a standard, household electrical outlet.
- 2. Turn Adjustable Browning Control(s) to desired setting. (You may want to experiment with the Adjustable Browning Control to determine your preference.) Turn Adjustable Browning Control to "1" for lightest setting; turn to "7" for darkest setting. Or, the Adjustable Browning Control can be set to any number in between for a more medium setting.
- 3. Remove any protective wrappings from food before placing into Bread Slots. Place bread into Bread Slots. Push down Carriage Lever until it lowers the bread and locks into position at the bottom of the Carriage Slide. As soon as the Carriage Lever locks into position, the Toaster will begin operation. The first time you use your Toaster, you may notice a slight odor. This is normal and will stop as the heating elements continue to heat.

The bread will cook to the selected browning setting and will automatically raise when the bread has finished toasting. The Toaster will also turn off when the bread raises.

Instructions for Use (Cont.)

NOTE: DO NOT change Adjustable Browning Control selection during toasting cycle. Press "CANCEL," change setting, and replace bread if desired.

To stop or interrupt the toasting cycle, press "CANCEL" button. The bread will automatically pop-up and the Toaster will turn off.

Remove bread from Bread Slots. Use care when removing bread as the bread and Toaster will still be hot.

Repeat steps 2-3 for additional toast as desired.

- 4. When all toasting is complete, unplug Toaster from electrical outlet and allow toaster to cool completely.
- 5. For storing Toaster, empty Crumb Trays and wrap cord around Cord Storage Wrap. See "User Maintenance Instructions."

Removing Lodged Toast - If a piece of toast becomes lodged in the Toaster, unplug the Toaster and allow to cool. Press the Carriage Lever down. Turn the Toaster upside down, and shake the toast loose.

IMPORTANT: Never use a fork or sharp-edged utensil to remove toast, because that may damage the heating element or cause injury.

Pastry - For best results, follow the instructions printed on the pastry package. If the package does not have instructions, position the Adjustable Browning Control in the center. Some pastries may require a second toasting cycle.

NOTE: Do not use this Toaster for toasting pastry items with runny-type frosting or open fillings.

Instructions for Use (Cont.)

Advanced Features

NOTE: To activate the Bagel or Defrost setting, you must first place the bread into the bread slot(s), push down the Carriage Lever, then press the appropriate button. These functions will not work properly if you press the button, THEN place the bread in the slot(s) and lower the Carriage.

1. Using the "Bagel" Setting

Always slice bagels into equal halves before toasting. Arrange bagel so the "cut" sides face each other. Place bagel into Bread Slot(s). **As soon as Carriage Lever is lowered and locked into position,** press "**BAGEL**" button. A red LED next to the button will light, indicating the Toaster is in Bagel cycle. This changes the toasting cycle to heat only one side of EACH bread slot—toasting the bagel only on the "cut" side (keeping the rest of the bagel chewy). The Bagel setting works great for English Muffins, too!

2. Using the "Defrost" Setting

Place frozen bread, waffles, etc. into Bread Slot(s). **As soon as Carriage Lever is lowered and locked into position,** press the "**DEFROST**" button. A red LED next to the button will light, indicating the Toaster is in the Defrost cycle. The Toaster will defrost the bread, etc. and then automatically switch to the toasting cycle. This allows the bread, waffles, etc. to reach the proper browning selection.

Important Points

- Remove all protective wrappings from food before placing in Bread Slots.
- For best results, clean Crumb Trays frequently.
- Different breads require different color settings. Carriage Lever may be raised manually or press the "CANCEL" button at any time to check toast color.
- Do not block top openings. Do not place any object over the top openings.
- Do not toast buttered bread or buttered pita bread. Melted butter will cause fire.
- Bread which has been toasted but not buttered may be reheated.
 Use a lighter setting and watch it carefully.
- When toasting more than one slice of bread, use slices of similar size, thickness and freshness.
- Stale bread, thin bread or sweet bread products, such as tea cakes and fruit loaf, brown much more quickly than ordinary bread, so they should be toasted on the lighter settings.
- Never immerse Toaster, Cord or Plug in water or other liquid.
- This appliance is for HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY.
- There are no user-serviceable parts inside. Do not attempt to service this product yourself.
- Do not force food into bread slots.
- Never use a fork or sharp-edged utensil to remove toast, because that may damage the heating element or cause injury.

User Maintenance Instructions

This cook's essentials® 4-Slice Classic Chrome Toaster requires little maintenance. It contains no user serviceable parts. Do not try to repair it yourself. Refer it to a qualified appliance repair technician if servicing is needed.

CAUTION: Do not immerse Toaster, Cord, or Plug into water or other liquid.

Cleaning

To keep your Toaster operating properly, clean regularly. Do not allow bread crumbs to accumulate in the Crumb Trays.

- 1. Unplug Toaster and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
- Remove any food which may have jammed in the Bread Slots. Remove bread pieces with wooden tongs. Do not use fork, knife, or other sharp metal objects as it may damage the heating elements.
- 3. Gently shake the Toaster to allow all crumbs to fall into the Crumb Tray. Set Toaster on a flat surface and carefully pull out Crumb Tray.
- 4. Discard all crumbs in Crumb Trays. Wipe Crumb Trays clean with a damp cloth. **Always dry Crumb Trays thoroughly**. Re-insert Crumb Trays into Toaster. Be sure Crumb Trays are all the way in and locked in position.
- 5. Wipe Toaster exterior with a damp cloth. Dry completely with a soft cloth. **DO NOT use harsh or abrasive cleansers as these could damage the Toaster exterior.**

Storage

- 1. Clean Toaster as instructed above.
- Wrap Cord around Cord Storage Wrap on bottom of Toaster.
 Never wrap cord tightly around the appliance. Do not put any stress on the cord where it enters the unit, as it could cause the cord to fray and break.
- 3. Store Toaster in its original box in a clean, dry location.