

electric kettle

owner's manual

SAVE THIS USE AND CARE BOOK

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Power

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IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

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

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS.

- Do not touch hot surfaces or hot water. Use handles or knobs. Care must be taken as burns can occur from touching spilled hot liquids.
- To protect against fire, electric shock or injury, do not place cord, plug, or base in water or other liquid.
- To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not remove bottom cover from base. There are no user-serviceable parts inside. Repair should be done by authorized service personnel only.
- Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
- Kettle must be operated on a flat surface away from the edge of counter to prevent accidental tipping.
- To protect against electric shock, ALWAYS unplug from outlet when not in use, and before cleaning. To prevent burns, allow to cool before cleaning.
- Do not operate dry. Do not use for other than heating water. Other foods or liquids will contaminate the interior and void the warranty.
- To disconnect, remove plug from outlet. Do not yank on cord as it may damage cord and eventually cause electric shock.
- Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug or after the appliance malfunctions or is dropped or damaged in any manner. If the product requires attention within the warranty period, call the toll-free number listed on the cover of this manual for information on examination, repair, or electrical or mechanical adjustment.
- To avoid an electrical overload, do not operate another high-wattage appliance on the same circuit.
- The use of an accessory attachment not approved by the manufacturer may result in fire, electric shock or injury.
- Do not use outdoors.
- Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter or touch hot surfaces.
- Do not fill the kettle while it is seated on the power Base. Be sure to unplug it before it boils dry. Never operate the kettle dry.

- Do not place on or near a hot gas or electric burner or in a microwave or heated oven.
- To avoid possible steam damage, turn spout away from walls or cabinets during use; use protective pad under kettle to prevent damage to surfaces.
- To avoid burns and risk of personal injury, use extreme caution when carrying kettle containing hot water.
- Do not operate in the presence of explosive and/or flammable fumes.
- Do not use for other than intended use. This appliance is intended for household use only, not for commercial or industrial use. Use for anything other than intended will void the warranty.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

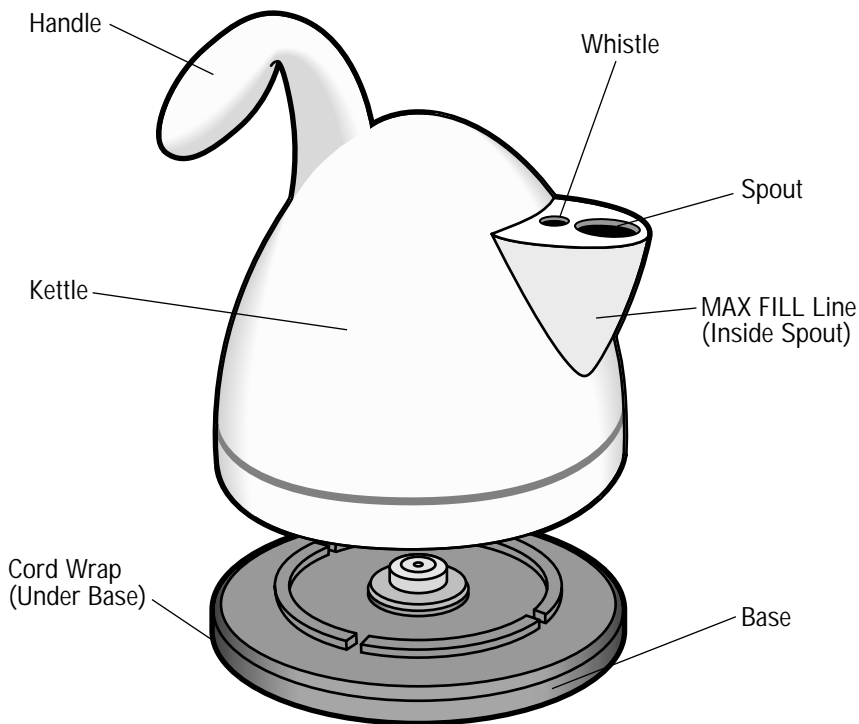
ELECTRICAL CORD

The cord length of this appliance was selected to reduce safety hazards that may occur with a longer cord. If more cord length is needed, an extension cord may be used. It should be rated not less than 15 amperes, 120 volts, and should have Underwriters Laboratories or appropriate agency listing. When using a longer cord, be sure that it does not drape over a working area or dangle where it could be pulled on or tripped over.

POLARIZED PLUG

This appliance has a polarized plug — one blade is wider than the other. As a safety feature, this plug will fit into a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully into the outlet, reverse it and try again. If it still does not fit, contact an electrician. Do not attempt to defeat this safety feature.

TEA KETTLE PARTS

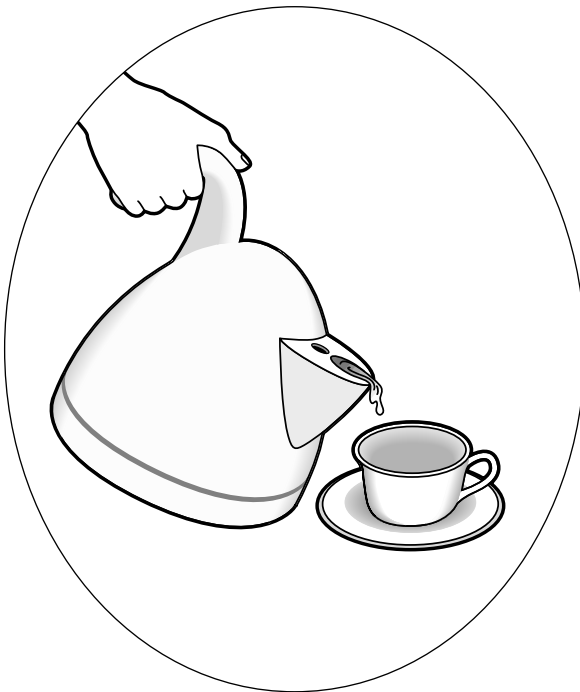


HOW TO USE

WARNING: Do not heat an empty Kettle! The concealed heating element in the bottom of the Kettle is protected by an automatic safety device. If your kettle is accidentally plugged in without being filled or is allowed to boil dry, it will automatically repeat a cycle of turning off, cooling down, and coming back on unless unplugged. If this happens, unplug the Kettle, fill with cold water, and wait a few minutes before replacing it on the Base and plugging in.

BOILING WATER

1. Before first use, rinse the interior of the Kettle. Fill the Kettle at a faucet. You do not have to fill it all the way to the top if you just want to boil a small amount of water. However, the minimum amount you must fill it to prevent the safety thermostat from cutting it off is 2 cups. Do not fill beyond the MAX FILL line inside the spout (see "Tea Kettle Parts" illustration). Put the kettle on a level surface to check that you you haven't filled beyond this line. Do not overfill.
2. Always use the Base and Kettle on a flat, level surface. Place the Kettle onto the swivel Base and plug in the Base. For FIRST USE, discard initially boiled water and then repeat the process for usable boiled water.
3. The Kettle will whistle when water is ready. Unplug the Base after boiling. You may leave the Kettle on the unplugged Base. Though the Kettle has raised feet for easy serving at a counter or table, we suggest using a trivet or pad.
4. This Kettle is designed to tilt forward when full for easy pouring (see illustration below). Use an oven mitt or pot holder to steady or support the bottom of a full, hot Kettle.



CLEANING & STORAGE

1. Before cleaning, be sure the Base is unplugged and the Kettle has cooled completely. Empty any remaining water from the Kettle.
2. Wash the inside of the Kettle with soapy water and rinse. NEVER IMMERSE THE KETTLE IN WATER OR OTHER LIQUIDS. Do NOT place in a dishwasher.
3. Wipe the exterior of the Kettle and Base with a damp cloth or sponge and dry. Do not use abrasive soaps, cleansers, or scouring pads on any part of the Kettle. Store the cord by winding it around the Cord Wrap on the underside of the Base and feeding the plug end through one of the notches.
4. Over time, the Kettle may heat up but won't boil; this is due to scaling and mineral deposits which may build up inside the Kettle depending on your use and the hardness of the water in your area. When this happens, it's time for descaling. Use a scale/lime remover and follow its manufacturer's directions.

SERVICE OR REPAIR

For service, repair, or any questions regarding your appliance, call the "800" number on the cover of this book. Do NOT return the product to the place of purchase. Do NOT mail the product back to the manufacturer nor bring it to a service center. You may also want to consult the website: www.householdproductsinc.com.

FULL ONE-YEAR WARRANTY


Applica warrants this product against any defects that are due to faulty material or workmanship for a one-year period after the original date of consumer purchase. This warranty does not include damage to the product resulting from accident, misuse, or repairs performed by unauthorized personnel. If the product should become defective within the warranty period, or you have questions regarding warranty or service, call Consumer Assistance and Information toll free at: 1-800-231-9786.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state or province to province.

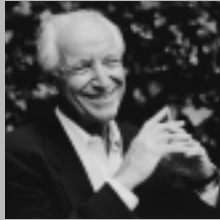
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