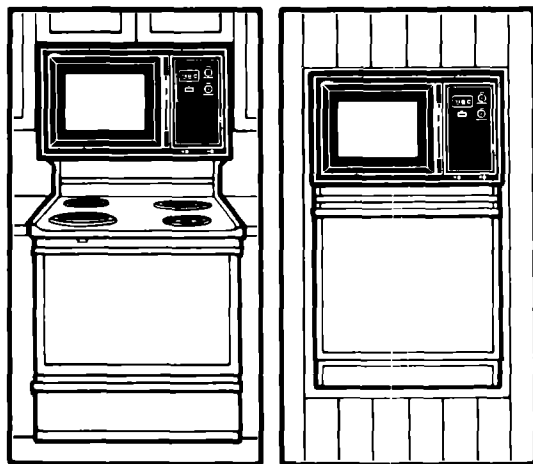
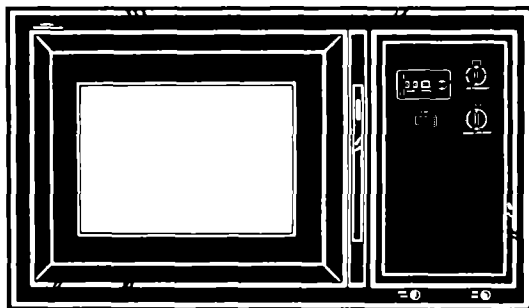


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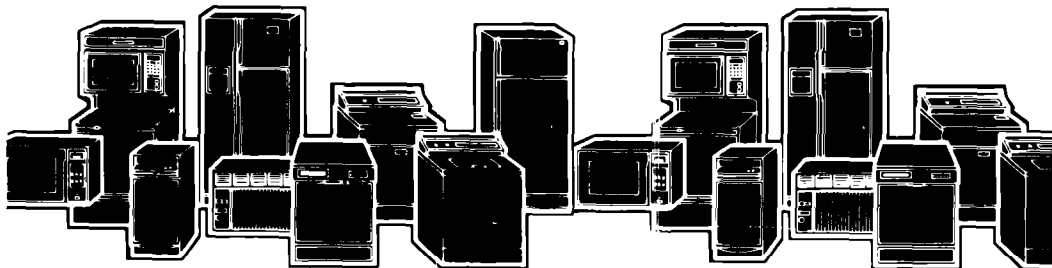


UPPER MICROWAVE OVEN

Eye-Level Model
RM955PXP

Built-In Model
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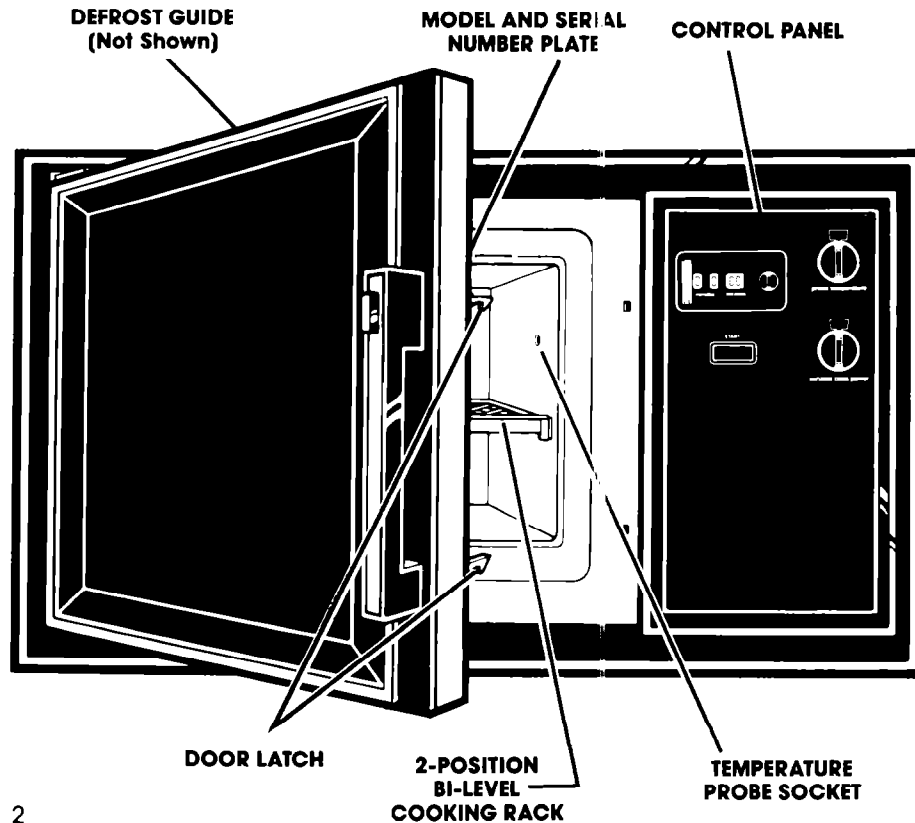


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Parts and features UPPER MICROWAVE OVEN



Copy your Model and Serial Numbers here...

If you need service, or call with a question, have this information ready:

1. Complete Model and Serial Numbers (from the plate located behind the microwave oven door).

Model Number

2. Purchase date from sales slip.

Copy this information in these spaces. Keep this book, other oven literature, your warranty and sales slip together in a handy place.

Serial Number

There is no warranty registration to return. Proof-of-purchase is all that is required for in-warranty service.

Purchase Date

Service Company/Phone Number

Fill out and return the "Microwave Registration Card" attached to the Microwave Oven Door. If the card is missing, please send the model and serial number of your Microwave Range, with your name and address to...

Whirlpool Corporation
Microwave Registration Department
Administrative Center
2000 U.S. 33 North
Benton Harbor, Michigan 49022

This information will help us reach you if there is ever a need to pass along information about your microwave range.

Remove the Consumer Buy Guide label before using your microwave range.

Before you use your microwave oven

Read and carefully follow the "INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS" packed with your microwave oven.

Read this "Use & Care Guide" and your "Cooking Guide" carefully for important use and safety information. Store these with Range or Lower Oven literature.

It is your personal responsibility and obligation to be sure your microwave oven:

- Has been installed where it is protected from the elements. **The microwave oven should be at a temperature above 50°F (10°C) for proper operation.**
- Has been installed and levelled on a floor strong enough to support its weight. (Eye-level models only.)
- Has been properly connected to electrical supply and grounded. (See "Installation Instructions.")
- Is not used by anyone unable to operate it properly.
- Is properly maintained.
- Is used only for jobs expected of a home microwave oven.

See your Range or Lower Oven "Use & Care Guide" for additional safety and operating instructions.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

For Use of Microwave Upper Oven

Microwave ovens have been used successfully in homes for a number of years. They are thoroughly tested for safe and efficient operation. However, as with any appliance, there are special installation and safety precautions which must be followed to ensure safe and satisfactory operation and prevent damage to the unit.

PRECAUTIONS TO AVOID POSSIBLE EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE MICROWAVE ENERGY...

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.

DO NOT place any object between the oven front surface and the door or allow soil or cleaner residue to accumulate on sealing surfaces.

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

- (1) Door (bent),
- (2) Hinges and latches (broken or loosened),
- (3) Door seals and sealing surfaces.

DO NOT operate the microwave oven if the door glass is broken.

The microwave oven should be checked for microwave leakage by qualified service personnel after a repair is made.

The oven door should not be adjusted or repaired by anyone except properly qualified service personnel.



WARNING – To reduce the risk of burns, electric shock, fire, injury to persons or exposure to excessive microwave energy:

1. Read all instructions before using appliance.
2. Read and follow the specific **“PRECAUTIONS TO AVOID POSSIBLE EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE MICROWAVE ENERGY”** found on page 4.
3. This appliance must be installed and properly grounded in accordance with the separately provided **“Installation Instructions.”**
4. Some products such as whole eggs and sealed containers – for example, closed jars – may explode and should not be heated in this oven.
5. Use this appliance only for its intended use as described in this manual.
6. As with any appliance, close supervision is necessary when used by children.
7. 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. Electric shock, fire or other hazards may result.
8. This appliance should be serviced only by qualified service personnel. Call a Whirlpool authorized TECH-CARE® Service Company for examination, repair or adjustment.
9. Do not cover or block any opening on the appliance, because fire may result.
10. Do not use outdoors because damage to the oven or electric shock may result.
11. See door surface cleaning instructions on page 13.
12. To reduce the risk of fire in the oven cavity:
 - a. Do not overcook food. Carefully watch appliance if paper, plastic, or other combustible materials are placed inside the oven to facilitate cooking. Paper can char or burn, and some plastics can melt if used when heating foods.
 - b. Remove wire twist-ties from paper or plastic bags before placing bag in oven. Cooking in metal containers can damage the oven. So can containers with hidden metal (twist-ties, foil lining, staples, metallic glaze or trim). Test dinnerware or cookware before using. See page 11.
 - 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.
13. Read and follow **“MICROWAVE OVEN OPERATING SAFETY PRECAUTIONS”** starting on page 11.

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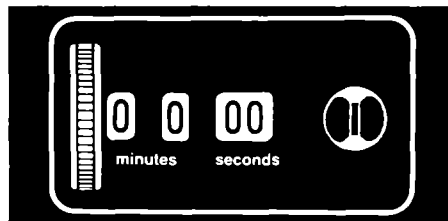
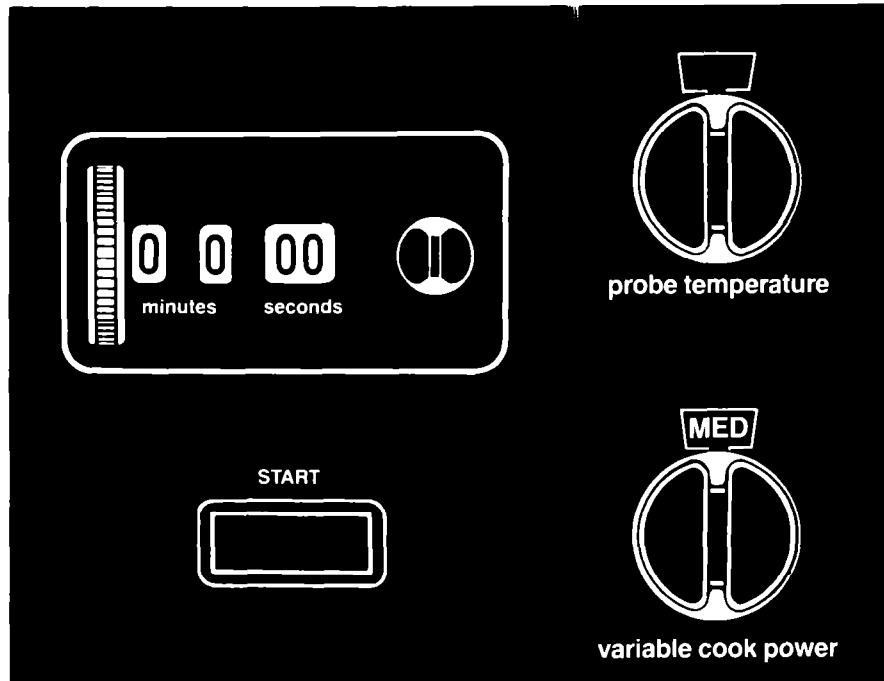
Using your microwave oven

Microwave oven controls

There are four parts in the microwave oven control section:

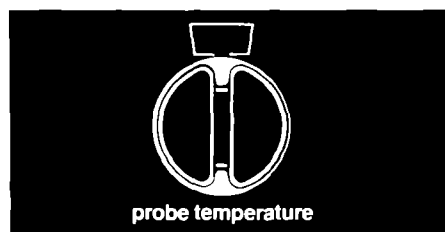
- The Timer
- The Probe Temperature Control
- The Variable Cook Power Control
- The Start Button

Instructions for each are covered on the following pages. Read them carefully.



The Timer

The timer can be set for up to 59 minutes, 55 seconds. This controls how long the microwave oven cooks.

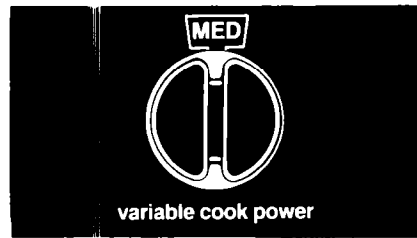


The Probe Temperature Control

The Probe Temperature Control allows you to cook by temperature instead of by time. See your MICRO MENU'S * Cookbook for helpful information in cooking different types of food.

The Variable Cook Power Control

The Variable Cook Power Control allows you to control the cooking speed. See the Cook Power Chart on the next page for the different percentages of cooking powers.



The Start Button

The Start Button starts the cooking. The door must be closed and securely latched before the oven will operate.

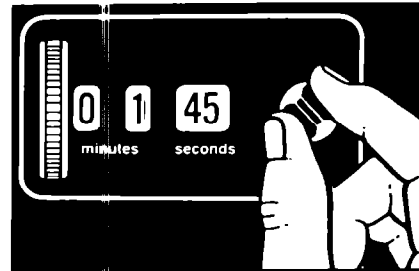


Setting the controls

Be sure you understand the basics of microwave oven cooking before you start. Start with recipes from your MICRO MENUS* Cookbook. Follow the directions carefully.

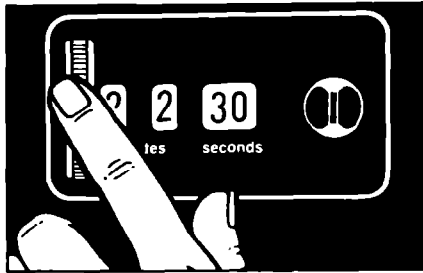


1. Place food in the oven, then close the door. **The oven won't work if the door isn't closed tightly.**

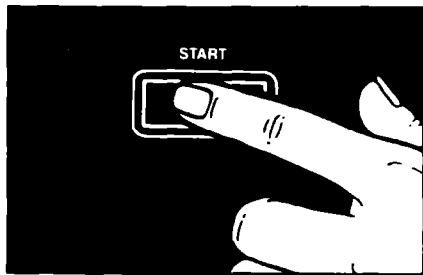


2. Set cooking times up to 10 minutes by **pushing in** and turning the Timer Knob clockwise. To reduce the cooking time, push in and turn the Timer Knob counterclockwise. **To set timer for less than 15 seconds, turn Timer Knob past 15 seconds then to desired time.**

*Tmk.



- 3.** Set cooking times longer than 10 minutes by turning the Timer Knob and Wheel. **First set the Timer Knob**, then move the Wheel. Example: To set 22 minutes, 30 seconds...
- Set 2 minutes, 30 seconds by pushing in and turning the Timer Knob.
 - Set 20 minutes by pushing up on the Wheel.



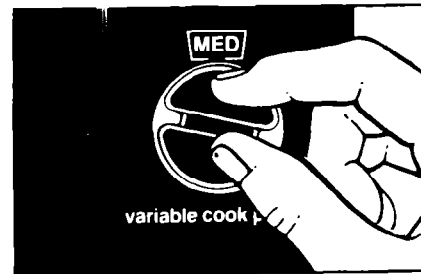
- 5.** Push the START Button. The oven light will come on and the cooking will begin. You will hear the fan running during oven operation.
- When the set time is up, the oven will shut off automatically. You will hear a bell, the light will go off and the fan will stop.

To stop the oven

1. Push in and turn the Timer Knob counterclockwise to 00:00.
OR
2. Open the oven door.

Defrosting in your microwave oven

Use the MED-LO/DEFROST setting to thaw frozen food before cooking. See the Defrost Guide inside the oven door or your MICRO-MENUS* Cookbook for suggested defrost times.



- 4.** Set the Variable Cook Power to the desired setting from HIGH to KEEP WARM. Some recipes call for lower Cook Powers for best results. (See chart.) The lower the Cook Power, the slower the cooking.

COOK POWER CHART

Recipes in the MICRO MENUS* Cookbook use Cook Power settings from HIGH to LOW. Recipes from other books and magazines may use different Cook Power percentages. The following chart may be helpful:

HIGH – 100% of full power
MED-HI – 70% of full power
MED – 50% of full power
MED-LO/DEFROST – 30% of full power
LO – 15% of full power
KEEP WARM – 5% of full power

To restart the oven

1. Close the oven door.
2. Set the Timer (if needed) to the desired cooking time.
3. Push the START Button.

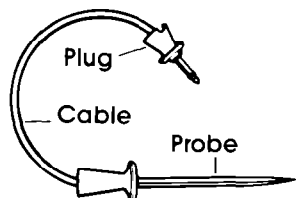
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Cooking with the TEMPERATURE PROBE

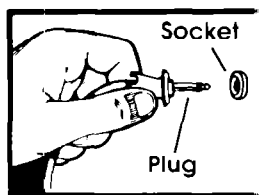
The Temperature Probe helps take guesswork out of cooking roasts and larger casseroles. The probe is designed to turn off the oven when it senses the temperature you chose. See your MICRO MENUS* Cookbook for helpful information in cooking different types food.

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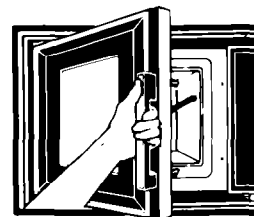
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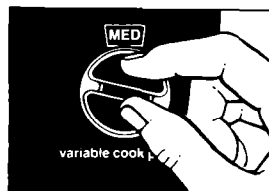
1. Insert at least $\frac{1}{3}$ of the temperature probe into the food.



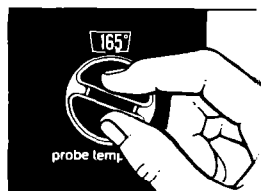
2. Place food in the oven and plug the probe into the socket on the oven wall.



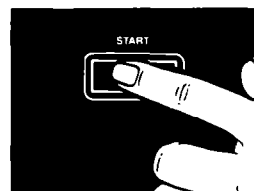
3. Make sure the probe does not touch any part of the oven interior. Close the door.



4. Set the Variable Cook Power Control to the Cook Power you want.



5. Set the Probe Temperature Control to the final cooking temperature you want.



6. Push the START Button. When the probe senses the selected temperature, a beep sounds, and the oven shuts off.

Hints for using the temperature probe

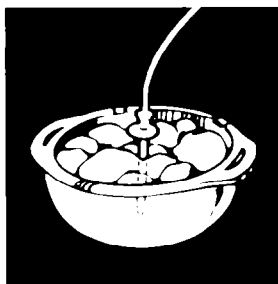
DO...

- use hot pads when removing probe from food or from oven.
- stir foods during cooking when recommended.
- stir soups, casseroles and drinks before serving.
- cover roasts with foil and let stand a few minutes after cooking. Remove foil if you decide to cook longer.
- remove the probe from the oven when not cooking by temperature.

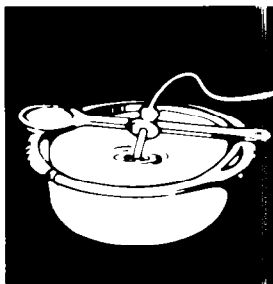
DON'T...

- let probe or probe cable touch any part of the oven interior.
- let probe touch foil (if used for shielding). Foil can be kept away from probe with wooden toothpicks. Remove foil if arcing occurs.
- use paper, plastic wrap or plastic containers.
- use probe in regular oven.
- force probe into frozen food.
- use probe for foods that need to simmer.

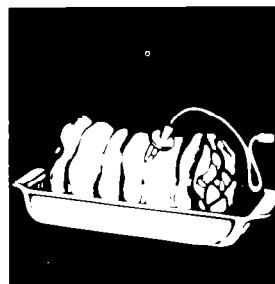
Temperature probe cooking tips



For casseroles, the tip of the probe should be in the center of the food. Stir foods when recommended. Replace the probe.



For liquids, balance the probe on a wooden spoon or spatula so the tip of the probe is in the center of the liquid.



For roasts, the tip of the probe should be in the center of the largest muscle, but not touching fat or bone.

- Casseroles cooked using the Temperature Probe should be made from precooked foods. Do not use raw meats, raw vegetables and cream sauces in casseroles.
- Dry casseroles do not work well.
- Thaw frozen casseroles and meats in the microwave oven before inserting the probe.
- If you are cooking individual servings such as mugs of soup,

check the probe setting in several of the items – all the mugs may not heat at the same rate.

- Dry meat loaf mixtures don't work well.
- Remember that roasts may vary in size, shape and composition. Use the timings for minutes per pound as a guide as well as the Temperature Probe.

Cleaning the probe

1. Remove probe from microwave oven using hot pads.
2. Wipe probe with a hot sudsy cloth. Use plastic scouring pad to remove stubborn foods.
3. Probe may be placed in the silverware basket of the dishwasher.

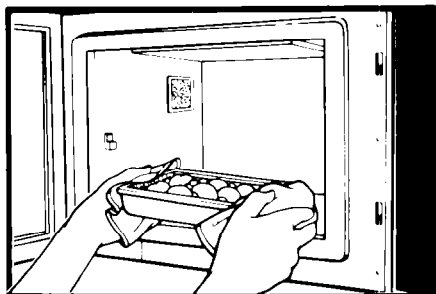
Bi-level cooking

A removable Bi-Level Cooking Rack is available as an accessory kit. This rack lets you cook or reheat foods together as a meal. Ask your dealer for details on...

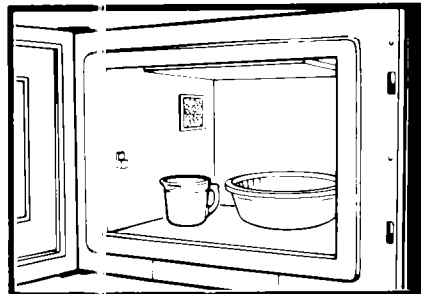
- RCK800 (832848) – Bi-Level Cooking Rack Kit

Microwave oven operating safety precautions

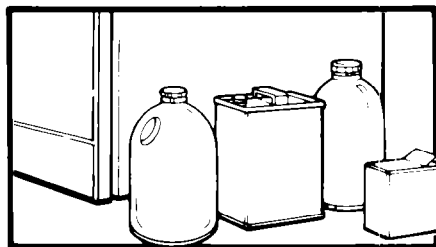
DO NOT use the oven until you have read and understand **ALL** the information on safe use.



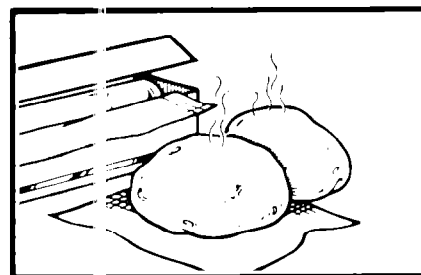
USE HOT PADS. Microwave energy does not heat containers, but the hot food does.



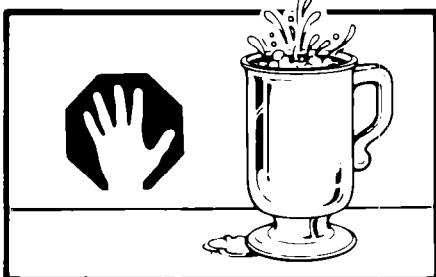
To test a dish for safe use, put it into the oven with a cup of water **beside** it. Cook on high Cook Power for one minute. **If the dish gets hot and water stays cool, do not use.**



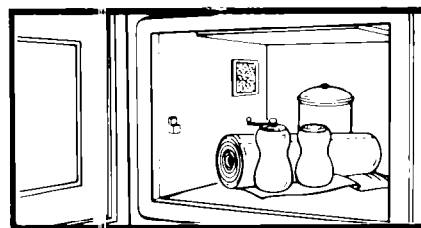
DO NOT heat or store flammable or inflammable materials in or near the oven. Fire may result.



DO NOT OVERCOOK POTATOES. Fire could result. At the end of the recommended cooking time they should be slightly firm. Wrap in foil and set aside for 5 minutes. They will finish cooking while standing.



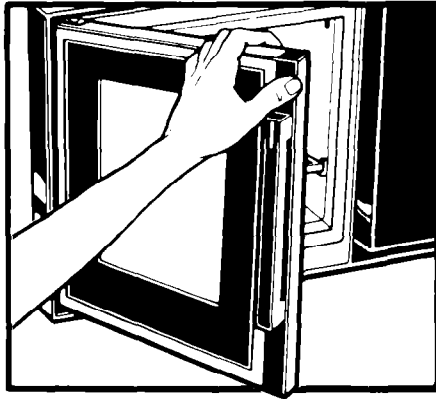
WARNING – Use care when heating liquids or adding ingredients to heated liquids. Liquids heated in certain shaped containers may become overheated. The liquid may splash out with a loud noise during or after heating, or when adding ingredients (instant coffee, etc.). This can harm the oven and the hot liquid could burn you. Do not use such containers to heat liquids again.



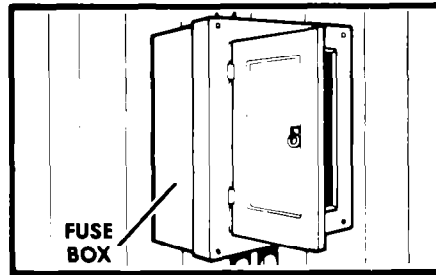
DO NOT use the oven for storage. Do not leave paper products, books or cooking utensils in the oven when not in use. Fire may result if someone accidentally starts the oven.

Don't let anything touch the top of the oven.

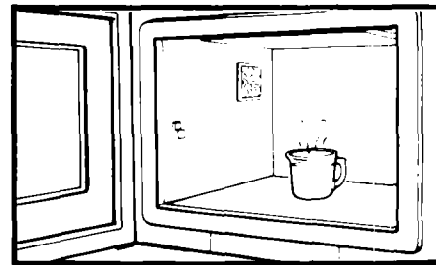
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NEVER lean on the door or allow a child to swing on it when the oven door is open. Injury could result.

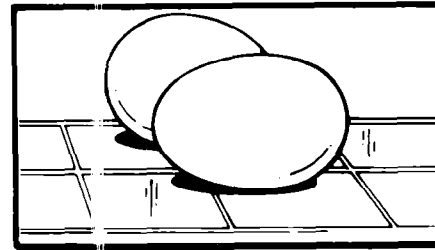


If your electric power line voltage is less than the normal required voltage, cooking times may be longer.

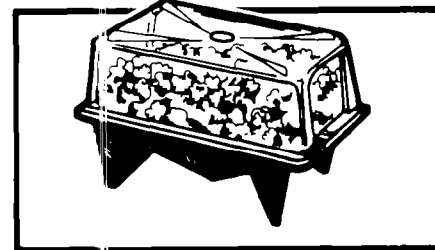


Starting a microwave oven when its empty is not recommended. If you experiment, put a container of water in the oven.

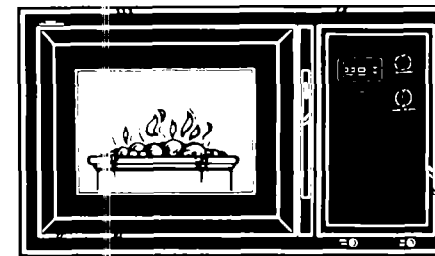
It is normal for the inside of the oven door to look wavy after the oven has been running a while.



NEVER COOK OR REHEAT A WHOLE EGG. Steam build-up in whole eggs may cause them to burst, burn you and possibly damage the oven. Slice hard boiled eggs before heating. In rare instances, poached eggs have been known to explode. Cover poached eggs and allow a standing time of one minute before cutting into them.



Make popcorn only in poppers designed for use in microwave ovens. Follow popper directions. Results are the popper manufacturer's responsibility.

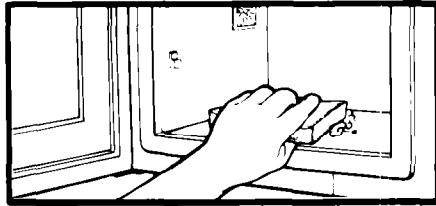


If a fire should start in the oven cavity:

- **keep door closed**
- **turn oven off**
- **disconnect the power supply** at the cord, fuse or circuit breaker.

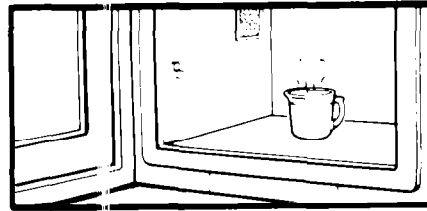
Caring for your microwave oven

Cleaning the microwave oven



Wipe often with warm sudsy water and a soft cloth or sponge.

Be sure to clean the areas where the door and oven frame touch when closed. When cleaning these surfaces, use only mild, non-abrasive soaps or detergents on a sponge or soft cloth. Rinse well.



For stubborn soil, boil a cup of water in the oven for 2 or 3 minutes. Steam will soften the soil.

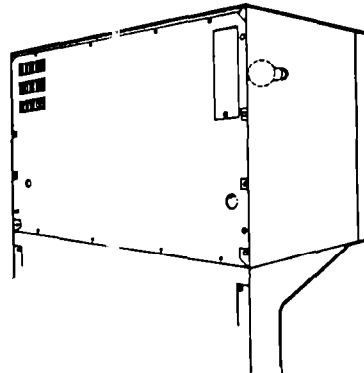
CAUTION: Abrasive cleansers, steel wool pads, gritty wash cloths, etc., can damage the control panel, interior and exterior oven surfaces. Use a soft cloth or sponge with a mild detergent or spray glass cleaner.

Replacing the microwave oven light (Eye-Level Models only)

The microwave oven light should come on whenever the door is opened or the oven is operating.

To replace the light bulb:

1. Move range away from the wall.
Be very careful. It is heavy.
2. Unplug the power cord, or turn off the main power supply.
3. Remove holding screw on microwave oven access panel.
4. Push aside the interior cardboard flap.
5. Remove and replace the bulb with a 40-watt **appliance** bulb.
6. Replace the cardboard flap, access panel and holding screw.
7. Plug in the power cord, or turn on the main power supply.



If you need service or assistance, we suggest you follow these four steps:

1. Before calling for assistance...

Performance problems often result from little things you can fix yourself without tools of any kind.

If nothing operates:

- Is the power supply cord plugged into a live circuit with the proper voltage? (See "Installation Instructions.")
- Have you checked the main fuse or circuit breaker box?

If the microwave oven will not run:

- Is the Timer set?
- If the Temperature Probe is being used, is it plugged tightly into its socket?
- Is the door firmly closed and latched?
- Did you touch START?
- Did you follow the directions exactly?

If microwave cooking times seem too long:

- Is the electric supply to your home low or lower than normal? Your electric company can tell you if the line voltage is too low.
- Is the Cook Power set correctly?
- Are you allowing for more time when cooking more food at one time?

If the microwave oven turns off too soon or not soon enough when using the probe:

- Is at least $\frac{1}{3}$ of the probe in the food?

- Is the probe tip in the center of the food?
- Is the probe touching bone or fat?
- Have you allowed roasts to stand for a few minutes after cooking to equalize temperatures?
- Is the probe plugged tightly into its socket?
- Is the Cook Power set correctly?
- Is the Probe Temperature set correctly?

2. If you need assistance*...

Call Whirlpool COOL-LINE® service assistance telephone number. Dial free from:

Continental U.S. . . (800) 253-1301

Michigan (800) 632-2243

Alaska & Hawaii . (800) 253-1121

and talk with one of our trained Consultants. The Consultants can instruct you in how to obtain satisfactory operation from your appliance or, if service is necessary, recommend a qualified service company in your area.

3. If you need service*...



Whirlpool has a nationwide network of franchised TECH-CARE® Service Companies. TECH-CARE service technicians are trained to fulfill the product warranty and provide after-warranty service, anywhere in the United States. To locate TECH-CARE service in your area, call our COOL-LINE service assistance telephone number (see Step 2) or look in your telephone directory Yellow Pages under:

APPLIANCES - HOUSEHOLD - MAJOR - SERVICE & REPAIR	OR	ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES - MAJOR - REPAIRING & PARTS
WHIRLPOOL APPLIANCES FRANCHISED TECH-CARE SERVICE		WHIRLPOOL APPLIANCES FRANCHISED TECH-CARE SERVICE
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WHIRLPOOL APPLIANCES FRANCHISED TECH-CARE SERVICE		
<i>SERVICE COMPANIES</i>		
XYZ SERVICE CO. 123 Maple 999-9999		

4. If you have a problem*...

Call our COOL-LINE service assistance telephone number (see Step 2) and talk with one of our Consultants, or if you prefer, write to:

Mr. Stephen E. Upton
Senior Vice President
Whirlpool Corporation
Administrative Center
2000 U.S.-33 North
Benton Harbor, MI 49022

*If you must call or write, please provide: model number, serial number, date of purchase, and a complete description of the problem. This information is needed in order to better respond to your request for assistance.



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