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## INSTRUCTION BOOKLET



**Traditional Cordless Electric Kettle** 

**RK-17C** 

#### IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using an electrical appliance, basic safety precautions should always be taken, including the following:

- 1. READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS.
- 2. Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles and knobs.
- To protect against fire, electric shock and injury to persons DO NOT IMMERSE CORD, PLUG OR BASE UNIT in water or other liquids.
- 4. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
- Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Allow to cool before putting on or taking off parts, and before cleaning appliance.
- 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 nearest Cuisinart® Authorized Service Facility for examination, repair or adjustment.
- The use of accessory attachments not recommended by Cuisinart may result in fire, electric shock or injury to persons.
- 8. Do not use outdoors.
- Do not let power 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. Always attach the plug to the appliance first, then plug cord into wall outlet. To disconnect, push switch to "OFF", then remove plug from wall outlet.
- 12. Do not use appliance for other than intended use.
- 13. Scalding may occur if the lid is removed during the heating cycle.

# FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

### SPECIAL CORD SET INSTRUCTIONS

A short power-supply cord is provided to reduce the risks of becoming entangled in or tripping over a longer cord.

Longer extension cords are available and may be used if care is exercised.

If a long extension cord is used, the marked electrical rating of the extension cord should be at least as great as the electrical rating of the appliance. The longer cord should be arranged so that it will not drape over the countertop or tabletop where it can be pulled on by children or tripped over. This appliance is of the grounded type: the extension cord should be a grounded type 3-wire cord.

#### UNPACKING INSTRUCTIONS

Place your Cuisinart® Traditional Cordless Electric Kettle in its gift box on top of a sturdy surface. Open the gift box and remove the unit and the detachable power base. Remove each from its plastic bag. Discard the strip of paper listing features and picturing the kettle which is wrapped around the bottom of the kettle. Check that all printed materials are removed from the gift box. Save the packing materials for future shipment.

Keep all plastic bags away from children.

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#### INTRODUCTION

Your new Cuisinart® Traditional Cordless Electric Kettle combines all of the comforts of the kettle on the stove with the convenience of today's newest technology. The elegant polished stainless steel finish makes it a lovely addition to any table.

The kettle is remarkably simple to operate and maintain because it has been manufactured according to the strictest design and quality specifications. We would, however, suggest that you read the instructional material provided with this product to completely familiarize yourself with its use and care.

#### **ULTIMATE CONVENIENCE**

Your Cuisinart® Traditional Cordless Electric Kettle may quickly become one of the most useful and utilized appliances in your kitchen. The kettle makes the simple and common kitchen task of boiling water easier, faster and more energy efficient. Water heats instantly and comes to a boil very quickly — often faster than on the stovetop Once it reaches a boil, it shuts itself off.

#### Making Tea with your Traditional Cordless Electric Kettle

The most traditional use for a kettle is making tea. Your Cuisinart® kettle will be a fast, easy and convenient way to make your cup of tea.

Whether using tea bags or loose tea, buy the best you can. The flavour will be only as good as the quality of the tea. Tea tastes best when made in a ceramic pot or cup.

For best results, use your Traditional Cordless Electric Kettle following the operating instructions on page 5, as well as the following tips:

- 1. Fill kettle with fresh, cold water.
- 2. Place an infuser with loose tea or tea bag(s) in your ceramic pot or cup.
- 3. Wait for kettle to click off, and immediately pour the boiling water onto the tea.
- 4. The tea should be allowed to steep for 3 to 5 minutes. The longer it steeps, the stronger it is. For iced tea, brew tea double-strength (steep twice as long) and pour over ice.
- 5. Stir and serve as desired.

#### Uses for your Traditional Cordless Electric Kettle

With the Cordless Electric Kettle, you can make all your favourite hot beverages ... and much more!

Tea
Instant coffee
Hot chocolate
Flavoured coffee drinks
Hot cereal and oatmeal
Instant soups
Instant noodles
Instant rice
Instant pasta

#### FEATURES AND BENEFITS

#### 1. 18/10 Polished Stainless Steel Construction with 13/4 Quart (1.7L) Capacity

#### 2. Maximum Fill Mark

"MAX" located inside the kettle body indicates the maximum amount of cold water to be added.

#### 3. Dripless Pour Spout

With splash guard.

#### 4. Stay-Cool Adjustable Handle

Ergonomically shaped for comfort. Locks into a centre upright position for pouring, and folds down to either side to make removing the lid easy.

#### 5. Easy Grip Lid

For quick and easy filling.

#### 6. Power "On" Switch with Indicator Light

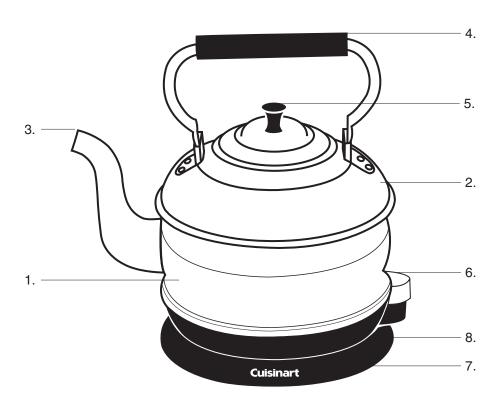
Simply depress switch (gently push down until a click is heard) to begin the boiling process. Indicator light illuminates when kettle is on. Kettle shuts off automatically once water has boiled, or when kettle is lifted from power base.

#### 7. Power Base

Supplies power to kettle.

#### 8. Cord Wrap (under base)

Unwind only as much as you need. Provides convenient storage.



# OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING FOR THE FIRST TIME

Before using your Cuisinart® Traditional Cordless Electric Kettle for the first time, you should operate the kettle 2 or 3 times following the instructions below. This will remove any dust or residue remaining from the manufacturing process.

#### **BOILING WATER**

#### 1. Remove the Lid.

Place the kettle with the spout facing away from you. Gently lift off the lid.

#### 2. Fill the Kettle.

Fill the kettle with as much fresh, cold water as you will need. The maximum amount of water to be used is indicated by the MAX fill level in figure 1 below.

#### 3. Close the Lid.

Position kettle with spout facing away from you. Replace lid on kettle.

#### 4. Place Kettle on Power Base

Place the kettle on the power base so the element on the bottom of the kettle sits securely on the power base.

#### 5. Power "ON"

Depress the power ON switch by gently pushing down (see Fig. 2) until a click is heard. Switch will light up red. When the water has boiled, the kettle will automatically switch off.

**NOTE:** The kettle can be switched off at any time before the water boils, simply by lifting the kettle off the base.

#### 6. Pour and Serve.

Pour water out slowly. Return kettle to base after pouring. If you wish to reboil the water, you must depress the power "ON" button again.

#### **HELPFUL HINTS**

Always use fresh, cold water for each boiling.

If the kettle is accidentally switched on without a sufficient water level, a boil-dry mechanism will automatically switch the kettle off.

Empty kettle after each use. Do not leave water standing in the kettle.

**NOTE:** For your safety, it is recommended that the lid be placed securely on the kettle whenever kettle is in use.

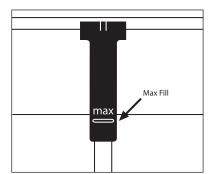


Figure 1

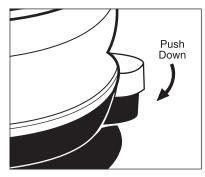


Figure 2

#### **FILTER**

This kettle has a removable screen inside to prevent particles of mineral build up from entering your cup. The screen slides out for easy rinsing in the sink.

## CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

CAUTION: Always disconnect the kettle from electrical outlet before cleaning.

Before cleaning, be sure the kettle is cold.

Clean the exterior surface of the kettle with a clean, damp cloth to preserve its original highly polished finish. Dry and polish with a soft cloth.

Do not use abrasive cleansers or scouring agents of any kind on the interior or exterior of the kettle.

Do not immerse the kettle or power base in water or other liquid, and be sure that the electric kettle socket is kept dry.

#### DECALCIFICATION

Decalcification refers to removing the calcium deposits which may form in the interior metal parts of the kettle.

To get the best performance from your Cuisinart® kettle, decalcify your unit from time to time. Frequency depends on the hardness of your tap water and how often you use the kettle.

We suggest use of a kettle descaler in order to dissolve these chalky deposits or scale. Follow the directions on the descaler package. If a commercial descaler is not available, fill the kettle with enough white vinegar to cover the bottom by about 1/2" (1.25 cm). Bring the vinegar to a boil. You may need to repeat this several times with cooled vinegar to remove the calcium buildup completely. When the descaling process is complete, empty the kettle and rinse out several times with clean water.

#### WARRANTY LIMITED THREE-YEAR WARRANTY

This warranty supersedes all previous warranties on this Cuisinart® product. This warranty is available to consumers only. You are a consumer if you own a Cuisinart® product that was purchased at retail for personal, family or household use. This warranty is not available to retailers or other commercial purchasers or owners.

We warrant that this Cuisinart® product will be free of defects in material or workmanship under normal home use for three years from the date of original purchase.

For warranty purposes, we would like to suggest that you register your product on-line at www.cuisinart.ca to facilitate verification of the date of original purchase. However, should you not wish to register on-line we recommend the consumer to maintain original receipt indicating proof of purchase. In the event that you do not have proof of purchase date, the purchase date for purposes of this warranty will be the date of manufacture.

When calling our Authorized Service Centre for in warranty service please make reference to your model number and the manufacturing date code. This information can be found in the rating area on the body or underneath the base of your unit. The model number will follow the word Model: RK-17C. The manufacturing date code is a 4 or 5 digit number. Example, 60630 would designate year, month & day (2006, June 30th).

If your Cuisinart® product should prove to be defective within the warranty period, we will repair it or, if we think it necessary, replace it. To obtain warranty service, please call our Consumer Service Centre toll-free at 1-800-472-7606 or write to:

Cuisinart Canada 156 Parkshore Drive Brampton, Ont. L6T 5M1 To facilitate the speed and accuracy of your return, please also enclose \$10.00 for shipping and handling of the product. Please also be sure to include a return address, description of the product defect, product serial number, and any other information pertinent to the product's return. Please pay by cheque or money order.

**NOTE:** For added protection and secure handling of any Cuisinart® product that is being returned, we recommend you use a traceable, insured delivery service.

Cuisinart cannot be held responsible for in transit damage or for packages that are not delivered to us. Lost and/or damaged products are not covered under warranty.

Your Cuisinart® product has been manufactured to strict specifications and has been designed for use with Cuisinart® authorized accessories and replacement parts for your model.

These warranties expressly exclude any defects or damages caused by accessories, replacement parts or repair service other than those that have been authorized by Cuisinart. These warranties exclude all incidental or consequential damages.

#### BEFORE RETURNING YOUR CUISINART PRODUCT

Important: If the nonconforming product is to be serviced by someone other than Cuisinart's Authorized Service Centre, please remind the servicer to call our Consumer Service Centre to ensure that the problem is properly diagnosed, the product serviced with the correct parts, and to ensure that the product is still under warranty.





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