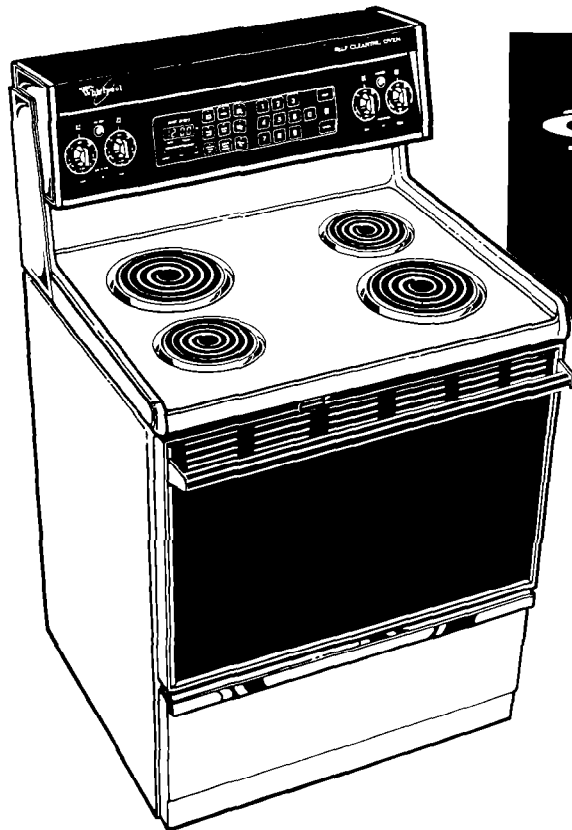


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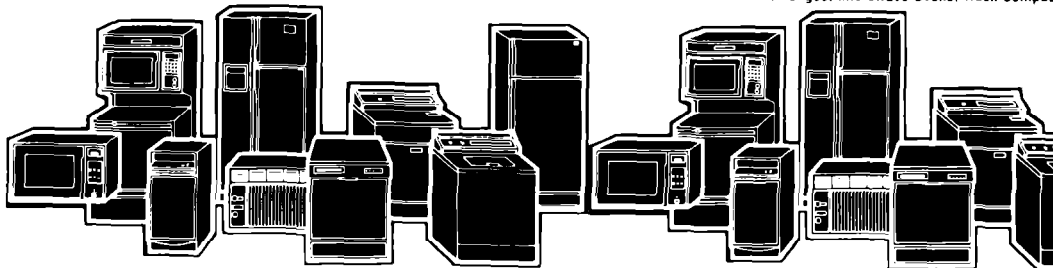


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ELECTRIC RANGE

Self-Cleaning
Model RF398PXW

ishers. Clothes Dryers. Freezers. Refrigerator-Freezers. Ice Makers. Dishwashers. Built-in Ovens and Surface Units. Ranges. Microwave Ovens. Trash Compact



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Before you use your range

You are responsible for:

- Reading and following all safety precautions in this Use and Care Guide and the Cooking Guide.
- Installing and leveling the range on a floor strong enough to support its weight, and where it is protected from the elements. (See the Installation Instructions.)
- Making sure the range is not used by anyone unable to operate it properly.
- Properly maintaining the range.
- Using the range only for jobs expected of a home range.
- Making sure the range is secured by a properly installed anti-tip bracket, with a rear leveling leg positioned under bracket.

Remove the Consumer Buy Guide label. It will be easier to remove before the range is used. To remove any remaining glue:

- Rub briskly with thumb to make a ball, then remove.
- or
- Soak area with liquid hand dishwashing detergent before removing glue as described above.

Do not use sharp instruments, rubbing alcohol, flammable fluids or abrasive cleaners. These can damage the finish. See "Important Safety Instructions" on page 3.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

⚠️ WARNING

To reduce the risk of fire, electrical shock, injury to persons, or damage when using the range, follow basic precautions, including the following:

- Read all instructions before using the range.
- Install or locate the range only in accordance with the provided Installation Instructions. It is recommended that the range be installed by a qualified installer. The range must be properly connected to electrical supply and grounded.



- To reduce the risk of tipping of the appliance, the appliance must be secured by a properly installed anti-tip bracket. To check if the bracket is installed properly, remove the storage drawer (see page 16) and verify that the anti-tip bracket is engaged.
- Do not use the range for warming or heating the room. Persons could be burned or injured, or a fire could start.
- Do not leave children alone or unattended in area where the range is in use. They should never be allowed to sit or stand on any part of the range. They could be burned or injured.
- Do not wear loose or hanging garments when using the range. They could ignite if they touch a hot surface unit or heating element and you could be burned.
- Do not repair or replace any part of the range unless specifically recommended in this manual. All other servicing should be referred to a qualified technician.
- Do not store flammable materials in or near the range. They could explode or burn.
- Do not use water on grease fires.
- Never pick up a flaming pan. Smother flaming pan on cooktop by covering with a well-fitted lid, cookie sheet or flat tray. Flaming grease outside of pan can be extinguished with baking soda or, if available, a multipurpose dry chemical or foam-type extinguisher.
- Use only dry potholders. Moist or damp potholders on hot surfaces may result in burns from steam. Do not let potholder touch hot heating elements. Do not use a towel or bulky cloth for a potholder. They could catch on fire.
- Select a pan with a flat bottom that is about the same size as the surface unit. If pan is smaller than the surface unit, some of the heating element will be exposed and may result in the igniting of clothing or potholders. Correct pan size also improves cooking efficiency.
- Never leave surface units unattended at high heat settings. A boil-over could result and cause smoking and greasy spill-overs that may ignite.
- Make sure the reflector bowls are in place during cooking. Cooking without reflector bowls may subject the wiring and components underneath them to damage.
- Do not line reflector bowls with aluminum foil or other liners. Improper installation of these liners may result in a risk of electric shock or fire.
- Check to be sure glass cooking utensils are safe for use on the cooktop. Only certain types of glass, glass-ceramic, ceramic, earthenware or other glazed utensils are suitable for cooktops without breaking due to the sudden change in temperature.

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- Turn pan handles inward, but not over other surface units. This will help reduce the chance of burns, igniting of flammable materials, and spills due to bumping of the pan.
- Do not soak removable heating elements in water. The element will be damaged and shock or fire could result.
- Use care when opening oven door. Let hot air or steam escape before removing or replacing food.
- Do not heat unopened containers. They could explode. The hot contents could cause burns and container particles could cause injury.
- Keep range vents unobstructed.
- Always position oven racks in desired location while oven is cool. If rack must be moved while oven is hot, do not let potholder contact hot heating element in oven.
- Do not clean door seal. It is essential for a good seal. Care should be taken not to rub, damage, or move the seal. Clean only parts recommended in this Use and Care Guide.
- Do not use oven cleaners. No commercial oven cleaner or oven liner protective coating of any kind should be used in or around any part of the oven.
- Before self-cleaning the oven, remove broiler pan, broiler grid, oven racks and other utensils. Do not use your oven to clean miscellaneous parts.
- Do not store things children might want above the range. Children could be burned or injured while climbing on it.
- Do not touch surface units, areas near units, heating elements or interior surfaces of oven. Surface units and heating elements may be hot even though they are dark in color. Areas near surface units and interior surfaces of an oven become hot enough to cause burns. During and after use, do not touch, or let clothing or other flammable materials contact surface units, areas near units, heating elements or interior surfaces of oven until they have had sufficient time to cool. Other surfaces of the range may become hot enough to cause burns; such as, the oven vent opening, the surface near the vent opening, the cooktop, the oven door and window.

• **FOR YOUR SAFETY •**

DO NOT STORE OR USE GASOLINE OR OTHER FLAMMABLE VAPORS AND LIQUIDS IN THE VICINITY OF THIS OR ANY OTHER APPLIANCE. THE FUMES CAN CREATE A FIRE HAZARD OR EXPLOSION.

– **SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS** –

Thank you for buying a Whirlpool appliance. Please complete and mail the Owner Registration Card provided with this product. Then complete the form below. Have this information ready if you need service or call with a question.

- Copy model and serial numbers from plate (behind the oven door on the oven frame) and purchase date from sales slip.
- Keep this book, the Cooking Guide and sales slip together in a handy place.

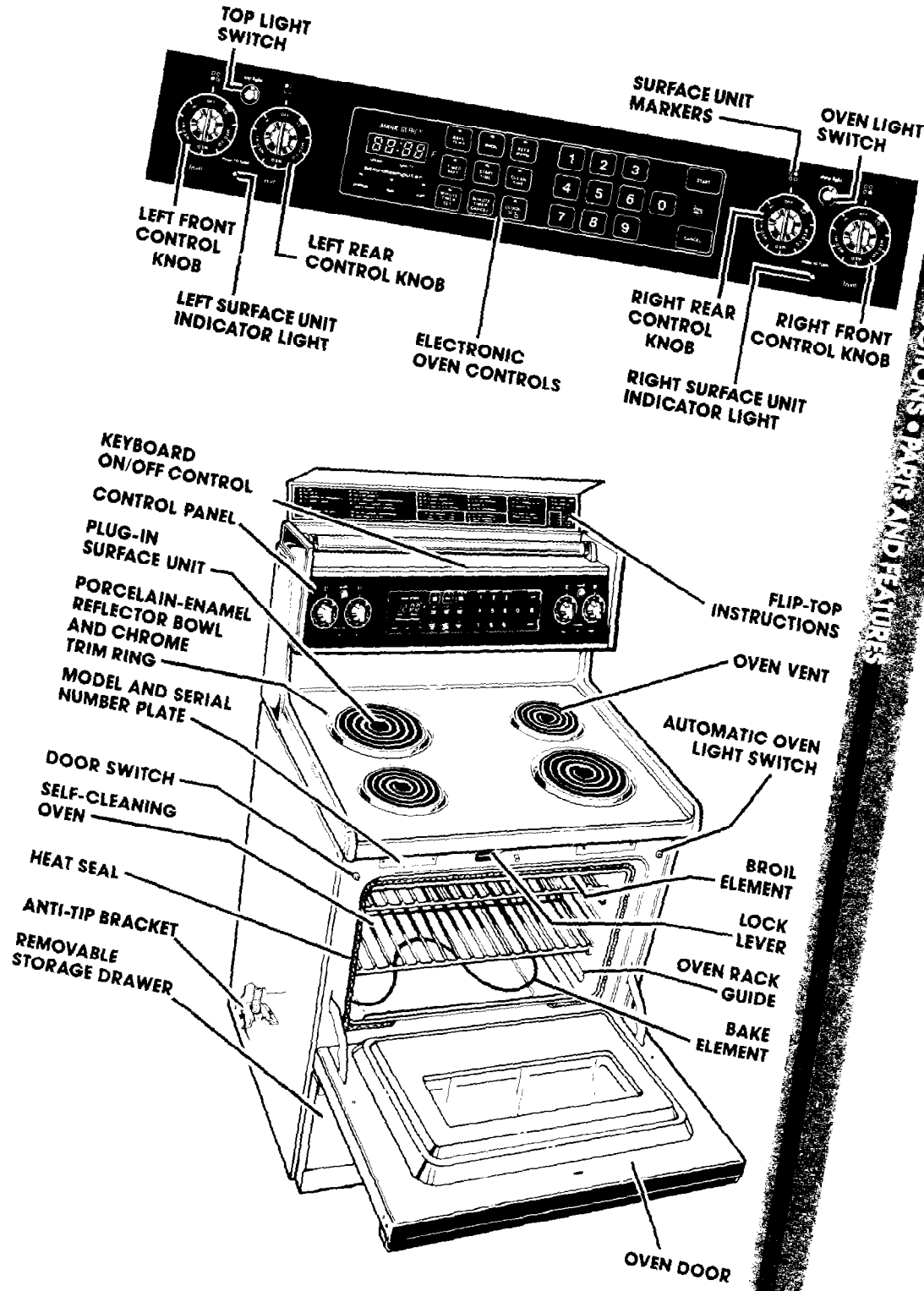
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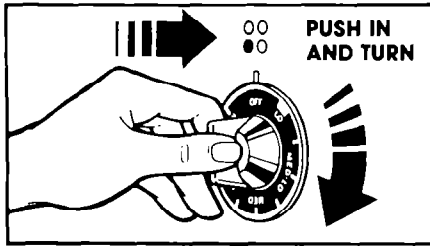
Parts and features



IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS PARTS AND FEATURES

Using your range

Using the Surface Units



Control knobs must be pushed in before turning them to a setting. They can be set anywhere between HI and OFF.

Surface Unit Markers

The solid dot in the surface unit marker shows which surface unit is turned on by that knob.

Surface Unit Indicator Light

One of the surface unit indicator lights on the control panel will glow when a surface unit is on.

⚠ WARNING

Burn and Fire Hazard

Be sure all control knobs are turned to OFF and all indicator lights are OFF when you are not cooking. Someone could be burned or a fire could start if a surface unit is accidentally left ON.

Until you get used to the settings, use the following as a guide. For best results, start cooking at the high settings; then turn the control knob down to continue cooking.

Use HI to start foods cooking; to bring liquids to a boil.

Use MED-HI to hold a rapid boil; to fry chicken or pancakes.

Use MED for gravy, puddings and icing; to cook large amounts of vegetables.

Use MED-LO to keep food cooking after starting it on a higher setting.

Use LO to keep food warm until ready to serve. Set the heat higher or lower within the LO band to keep food at the temperature you want.

Use only flat-bottomed utensils for best cooking results and to prevent damage to the cooktop. Specialty items with rounded or ridged bottoms (woks, ridged bottom canners or tea kettles) are not recommended.

⚠ WARNING

Burn and Product Damage Hazard

- If the pan is too small for the surface unit, you could be burned by the heat from the exposed section of the surface unit. Use correctly sized cooking utensils to prevent injury.
- If a surface unit stays red for a long time, the bottom of the pan is not flat enough or is too small for the surface unit. Prolonged usage of incorrect utensils for long periods of time can result in damage to the surface unit, cooktop, wiring and surrounding areas. To prevent damage, use correct utensils, start cooking on HI and turn control down to continue cooking.

See the **Cooking Guide** for additional utensil information.

Optional Canning Kit (Part No. 242905)

The large diameter of most water-bath or pressure canners combined with high heat settings for long periods of time can shorten the life of regular surface units and cause damage to the cooktop.

If you plan to use the cooktop for canning, we recommend the installation of a Canning Kit. Order the kit from your Whirlpool dealer or authorized WhirlpoolSM service company.

See the **Cooking Guide** for additional canning information.

NOTE: Excess steam and moisture can cause false readings on the electronic oven controls. Avoid excess moisture by positioning teakettles, etc...away from the electronic controls. If false readings occur, dry the keyboard. If the false reading remains, reset the house circuit breaker, then reset the controls.

About the Electronic Oven Controls

There are three parts in the oven control section:

- The Digital Display,
- Command Pads with Indicator Lights,
- Number Pads.

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

When you first plug in the range, the Display will show "PF." This stands for "Power Failure." If after you set the Clock (page 9), the Display again shows "PF," it means your electricity was off for a while. Reset the Clock and any other functions which may have been set.

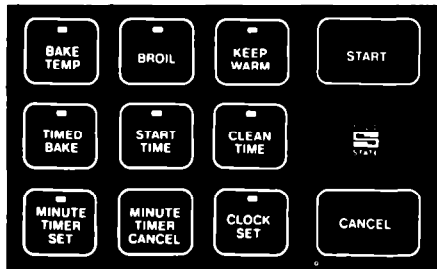
NOTE:

- **KEEP THE CONTROL PANEL CLEAN.** Food or moisture on the panel can affect proper operation.
- **When the control panel temperature is too high, the rear surface units automatically shut off. This may occur during the Self-Cleaning cycle. When temperatures return to normal, the rear units can be used again.**
- **Do not operate any surface unit without a pan. If the two rear units are left on without a pan, they will eventually automatically shut off. When temperatures return to normal, the rear units can be used again.**



Digital Display/Clock

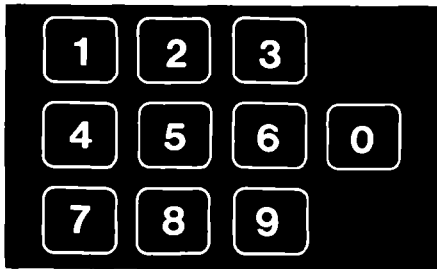
When you are not using the oven, this is an accurate Digital Clock. When using the oven or Minute Timer, the Display will show the time, temperature settings and what command pads have been touched.



The **Command Pads** tell the oven what to do and in what order. A few examples:

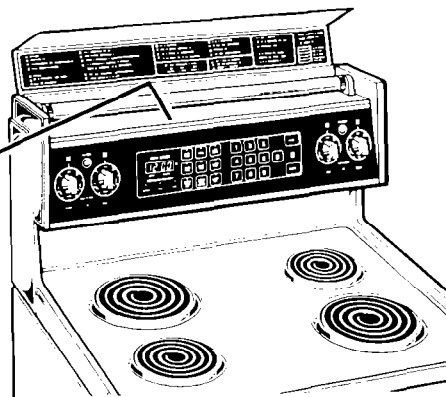
- CLOCK SET tells the oven you are going to set the Clock.
- START tells the oven to start.

Each Command Pad (except START, CANCEL and MINUTE TIMER CANCEL) has its own Indicator Light. The Indicator Light comes on when you touch the Command Pad.



Once you've touched a Command Pad to tell the oven what you want it to do, you'll touch **Number Pads** to tell it...a temperature and/or a time.

**KEYBOARD
ON/OFF CONTROL**



The **Keyboard On/Off Control** is under the flip-top in the center of the console. It has three different positions:

ON – allows all Command Pads and tones to work.

TONES OFF – removes the programming tones.

OVEN CONTROL OFF – turns off the oven controls and programming tones.

MINUTE TIMER, MINUTE TIMER CANCEL and CLOCK SET will operate in this position.

The Keyboard On/Off Control must be in the ON or TONES OFF position for the oven to heat.

Operating instructions are provided for each of the Electronic Controls. They are located on the inside of the flip-top console. Use these flip-top instructions for quick and easy reference.

Clock

To set the time of day:



1. Touch CLOCK SET. "0" appears in the Display.
 Within 5 seconds, touch Number Pads for the correct time of day. The Display will show the numbers you touched, **in the order you touched them. If the Number Pads are not touched within 5 seconds, "PF" or the original time will show in the Display. Touch CLOCK SET and Number Pads again.**



2. Touch START. The Start Indicator Light will stay on for 5 seconds.
If an incorrect time is set, such as 7:77, the Display will show "Err." Touch CANCEL and reset the Clock.
 The Clock cannot be set if a bake or broil function is programmed.

Minute Timer

The Minute Timer does not start or stop the oven. It works like a kitchen timer. It can be set in hours and minutes. You will hear a beep when the set time is up. **The Minute Timer must be cancelled after each use, including after the end of time signal.**



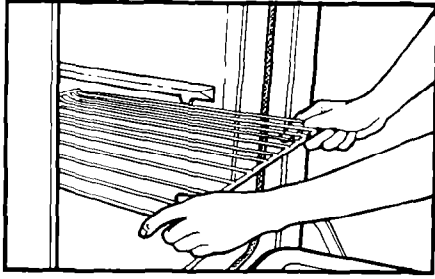
HOURS AND MINUTES, NOT SECONDS ARE DISPLAYED.

1. Touch MINUTE TIMER SET.
 Within 5 seconds, touch Number Pads for the desired time in hours and minutes. The Display will show what numbers you touched, **in the order you touched them. If the Number Pads are not touched within 5 seconds, the Display will show the time of day. Reset the Minute Timer.**



2. Touch START. **The Display counts down minutes, not seconds.** At the end of the selected time a tone will sound.
To cancel the Minute Timer before the set time is up, touch MINUTE TIMER CANCEL. This will cancel the Minute Timer only.
 Use the Minute Timer alone or while the oven is in use. The Display will always show the Minute Timer countdown, even when the oven is in use.

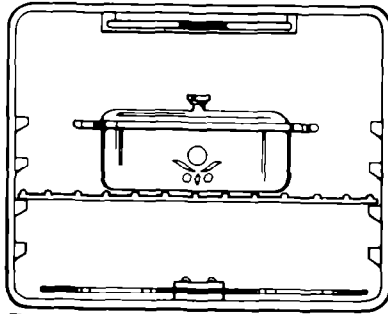
Baking



1. Position the rack(s) properly **before** turning on the oven. **To change rack position**, lift rack at front and pull out.



3. Touch Number Pads for desired temperature between 150°-509°F (65.5°-265°C). The Display will show the numbers you touched, **in the order you touched them**. The temperature appears in the Display until the oven is turned off.



5. Put food in the oven.

During baking, the elements will turn on and off to keep the oven temperature at the setting.

The top element helps heat during baking, but does not turn red.



2. Touch BAKE TEMP. "0°F" will appear in the Display.



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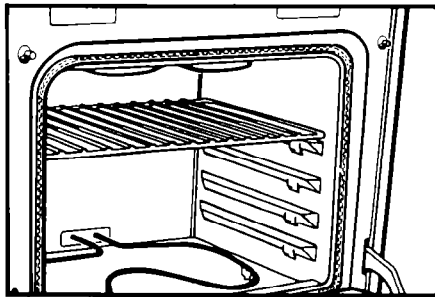
4. Touch START. The Preheat Indicator Light will come on. When the oven is fully preheated, you will hear 2 beeps and the Preheat Indicator Light will go off.



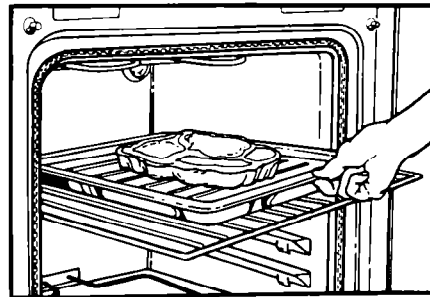
6. When baking is done, touch CANCEL to turn off the oven.

NOTE: The oven automatically turns off after 12 hours, 59 minutes.

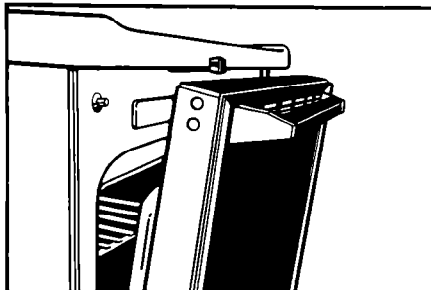
Broiling



1. Position the rack before turning the oven on. See "Broil Chart" in the Cooking Guide or a reliable cookbook for recommended rack positions.



2. Put the broiler pan and food on the rack.



3. Close the door to the Broil Stop position (open about 4 inches, 10.2 cm). The door will stay open by itself.

The door must be in this position for the broil element to heat.



4. Touch BROIL. The Display will continue to show the time of day.



5. Touch START.



6. When broiling is done, touch CANCEL to turn off the oven.



The oven door must be partly open whenever the oven is set to BROIL. Leaving the door open allows the oven to maintain proper temperatures. If the door is closed, the Display will show the word "door" and the heating element will not heat. Open the door to the Broil Stop position. The broil element will heat and the Display will go back to the time of day.

Baking Automatically

The electronic controls will turn the oven on and off at times you set...even when you are not around.

Automatic baking is ideal for foods which do not require a preheated oven, such as meats and casseroles. **Do not use the automatic cycle for cakes, cookies, etc...undercooking will result.**

To start baking now and stop automatically:



- 1. Make sure the Clock is set to the right time of day.** (See "Clock" on page 9.) Position the oven rack(s) properly and place the food in the oven.



- 2. Touch BAKE TEMP** and a desired oven temperature. The Display will show the numbers you touched, **in the order you touched them.** 350°F is shown above.



- 3. Touch TIMED BAKE.** "0" will show on the Display.



- 4. Touch Number Pads** for the desired length of baking time up to 12 hours and 59 minutes. The Display will show the numbers you touched, **in the order you touched them.** 2 hours, 30 minutes is shown above.

NOTE: If a time greater than 12:59 or a temperature less than 150°F (65.5°C) or over 509°F (265°C) is entered, "Err" will appear on the Display. Touch CANCEL and reset all commands.



- 5. Touch START.** The Display will alternate between showing the Bake Temp and the remaining baking time.

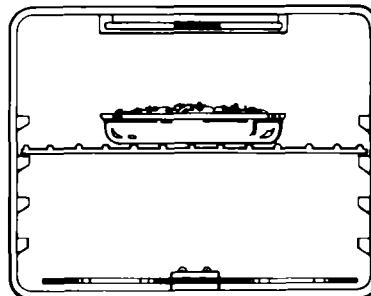
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- 6. When the baking time ends,** you will hear 4 beeps and the oven will shut off automatically.

To delay start and stop automatically:



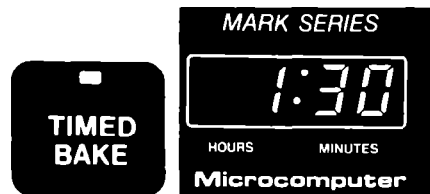
- 1. Make sure the Clock is set to the right time of day.** (See "Clock" on page 9.)



- 2. Position the oven rack(s) properly and place the food in the oven.**



- 3. Touch BAKE TEMP and the desired oven temperature.** 350°F is shown above.



- 4. Touch TIMED BAKE.** "0" will appear in the Display. Touch Number Pads for the desired length of baking time up to 12 hours and 59 minutes. The Display will show the numbers you touched, **in the order you touched them.** 1 hour, 30 minutes is shown above.



- 5. Touch START TIME.** The Display will show a "0." Touch Number Pads for the **time of day you want baking to start.** The Display will show the numbers you touched, **in the order you touched them.** 4:00 is shown above.

Touch START. The current time of day will appear on the Display. The oven will begin baking at the time you set. After the oven begins baking, the Display will alternate showing the Bake Temp and the remaining baking time.

**BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP**

CANCEL

- 6. When the baking time ends, you will hear 4 beeps and the oven will shut off automatically.**

To stop the oven before the end of the preset bake time, touch CANCEL.

⚠ WARNING

To avoid sickness and food waste when using delay start:

- Do not use foods that will spoil while waiting for cooking to start, such as dishes with milk or eggs, cream soups, and cooked meats or fish. Any food that has to wait for cooking to start should be very cold or frozen before it is put in the oven. **MOST UNFROZEN FOODS SHOULD NEVER STAND MORE THAN TWO HOURS BEFORE COOKING STARTS.**
- Do not use foods containing baking powder or yeast when using delay start. They will not rise properly.
- Do not allow food to remain in oven for more than two hours after end of cooking cycle.

KEEP WARM

The Keep Warm cycle is preset at 170 F (76.6 C). Use it to keep hot foods warm before serving, or to warm plates, serving dishes, etc.

To set the Keep Warm cycle:



1. Touch KEEP WARM. The Display will show "170°F."



2. Touch START. The oven will maintain 170°F (76.7°C) for 4 hours and 59 minutes.



3. To stop the Keep Warm cycle, touch CANCEL.

If you forget to cancel KEEP WARM, the oven will automatically turn off after 4 hours and 59 minutes.

You can also set the oven to automatically keep foods warm after baking.

To Keep Warm automatically after baking:

1. Set electronic controls for automatic baking. See page 12, steps 1-5 or page 13, steps 1-5.

2. Before you touch START, touch KEEP WARM. The Display will show "170°F."

3. At the end of the baking time you will hear 4 beeps. The oven will automatically cool down to maintain 170°F (76.6°C). The Display will show "170°F."

If you forget to cancel KEEP WARM, the oven will automatically turn off after 4 hours and 59 minutes.

Other Operating Hints

There are a number of things you should know about your electronic oven controls. Some of the items below are reminders, while others will be mentioned for the first time.

- The control will **accept** temperatures between 150° and 509°F (65.5° and 265°C).
- The control will **accept** times up to 12 hours and 59 minutes.
- The Start Time can be delayed up to 11 hours and 59 minutes.
- KEEP WARM will operate up to 4 hours and 59 minutes.
- If you forget to turn the oven off, it will automatically turn itself off after 12 hours and 59 minutes.
- The oven door must be partly opened for broiling or the oven will not heat.
- The Lock Lever must be all the way to the left for all baking functions or the oven will not heat.
- The Lock Lever must be in the Clean position for the Self-Cleaning cycle or the oven will not heat.
- If you want to check what you have programmed, simply touch the Command Pad for the function you want to check. The Display will show what you programmed for 5 seconds.

The Oven Vent

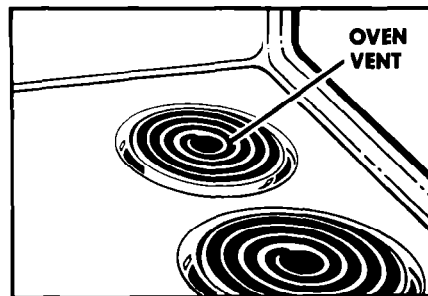
Hot air and moisture escape from the oven through a vent under the right rear surface unit. You can cook on the unit, or keep food warm on it while the oven is on.

⚠ WARNING

Burn Hazard

If you leave a utensil on the right rear surface unit, use potholders when moving it. Pan handles can become hot enough to burn.

Plastic utensils left over the vent can melt.



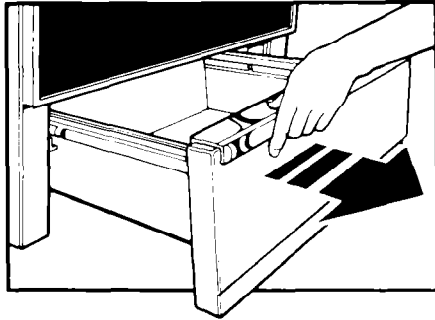
The vent is needed for air circulation. **Do not block the vent.** Poor baking can result.

The Storage Drawer

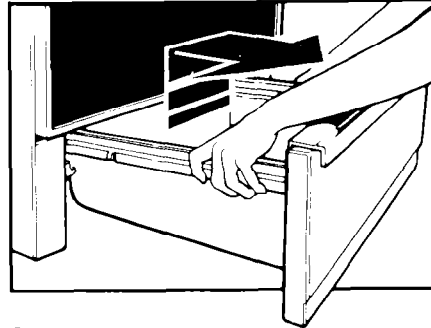
The storage drawer is for storing pots and pans. The drawer can be removed to make it easier to clean under the range, and to check for installation of the anti-tip bracket.

Use care when handling the drawer.

Removing the storage drawer

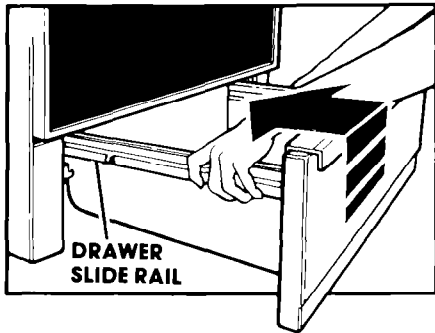


1. Empty drawer of any pots and pans before removing drawer. Pull drawer straight out to the first stop. Lift front and pull out to the second stop.

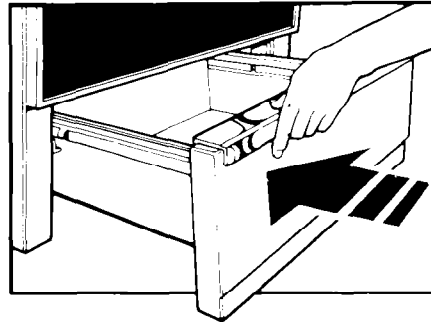


2. Lift back slightly and slide drawer all the way out.

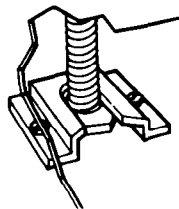
Replacing the storage drawer



1. Fit ends of drawer slide rails into the drawer guides on both sides of opening.



2. Lift drawer front and push in until metal stops on drawer slide rails clear white stops on drawer guides. Lift drawer front again to clear second stop and slide drawer closed.



To verify the anti-tip bracket is engaged:

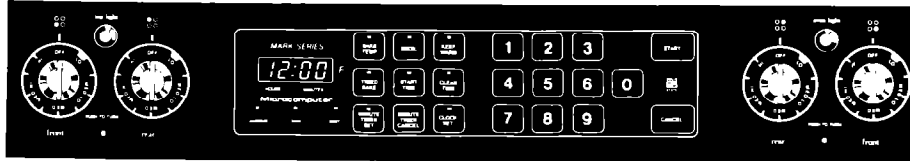
- Remove the storage drawer.
- Look to see if the anti-tip bracket is attached to floor with screws.
- Make sure one rear leveling leg is positioned under the anti-tip bracket.
- See Installation Instructions for further details.

Optional Door Panel Pac

If you would like to change the color of your oven door glass to white or almond, you can order one of these kits: White (Kit No. 814069) or Almond (Kit No. 814070) from your Whirlpool Dealer. The kits include easy installation instructions.

Caring for your range

Control Panels and Knobs



⚠ WARNING

Burn and Electrical Shock Hazard
Make sure all controls are OFF and the range is cool before cleaning. Failure to do so can result in burns or electrical shock.

1. Turn control knobs to the OFF position.
2. Move the Keyboard On/Off Control to the OFF position.
3. Pull control knobs straight off.
4. Use warm soapy water or spray glass cleaner, and a soft cloth, to wipe the control panel. Rinse and wipe dry.
5. Wash control knobs in warm soapy water. Rinse well and dry. Do not soak.
6. Replace control knobs by pushing them firmly into place.

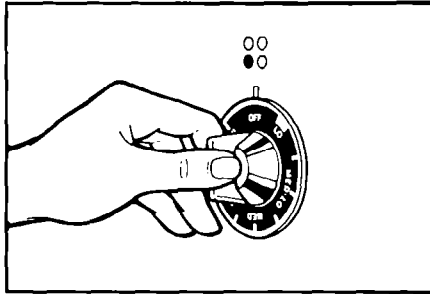
NOTE: When cleaning, never use steel wool, abrasives, or commercial oven cleaners which may damage the finish. After cleaning, make sure all control knobs point to the OFF position. Move Keyboard On/Off Control to the ON position.

Surface Units and Reflector Bowls

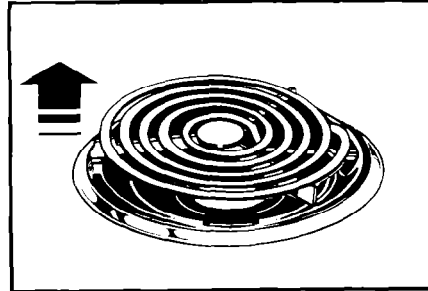
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Burn and Electrical Shock Hazard
Make sure all surface units are OFF before removing surface units and reflector bowls. Failure to do so can result in burns or electrical shock.



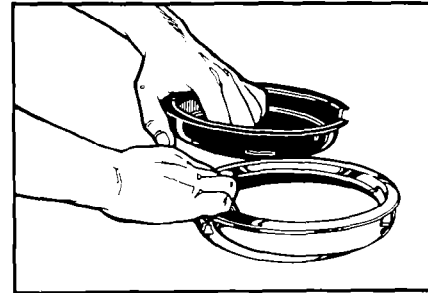
1. Turn off all surface units.



2. Lift the edge of the unit opposite the receptacle, just enough to clear the element hold down clip, reflector bowl and trim ring.



3. Pull the surface unit straight away from the receptacle.



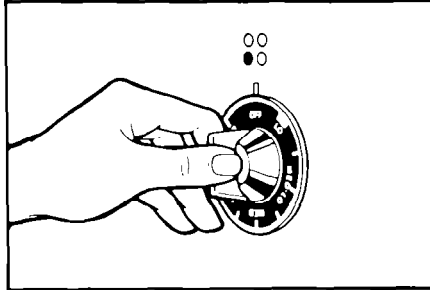
4. Lift out the reflector bowl and trim ring. See "Cleaning Chart" on page 24 for cleaning instructions.

Replacing

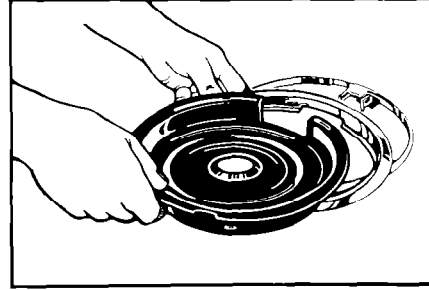
⚠ WARNING

Burn, Electrical Shock and Fire Hazard

- Make sure all surface units are OFF before replacing surface units and reflector bowls. Failure to do so can result in burns or electrical shock.
- Do not line the reflector bowls with foil. Fire or electrical shock could result.



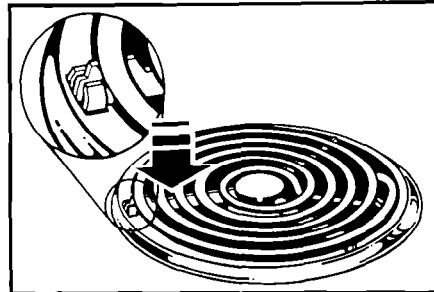
1. Turn off all surface units.



2. Line up openings in the reflector bowl and notches in the trim ring with the surface unit receptacle and the element hold down clip.



3. Hold the surface unit as level as possible with the terminal just started into the receptacle. Push the surface unit terminal into the receptacle.



4. When terminal is pushed into the receptacle as far as it will go, push down the edge of the surface unit opposite the receptacle. The element hold down clip will keep the surface unit from moving around.

NOTE: Reflector bowls reflect heat back to the utensils on the surface units. They also help catch spills. When they are kept clean, they reflect heat better and look new longer.

If a trim ring gets discolored, some of the utensils may not be flat enough, or some may be too large for the surface unit. In either case, some of the heat that's meant to go into or around a utensil goes down and heats the trim ring. This extra heat can discolor it. See Cooking Guide for further information.

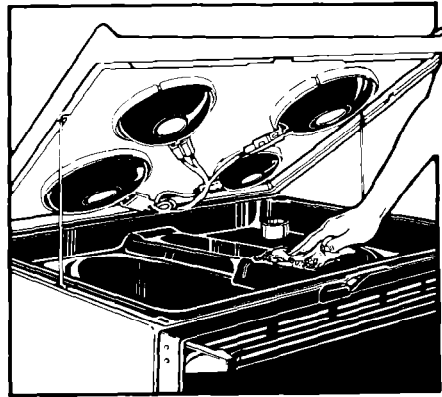
Lift-Up Cooktop

1. Lift front of cooktop at both front corners until the support rods lock into place.

⚠ WARNING

Personal Injury and Product Damage Hazard

- Be sure both support rods are fully extended and in the locked position. Failure to do so could result in personal injury from the cooktop accidentally falling.
- Do not drop the cooktop. Damage can result to the porcelain and the cooktop frame.



2. Wipe with warm, soapy water. Use a soapy steel wool pad on heavily-soiled areas.
3. To lower the cooktop, lift cooktop from both sides while pressing the support rods back to unlock them. Lower the cooktop into place.

Using the Self-Cleaning Cycle

The Self-Cleaning cycle uses **very high heat** to burn away soil. Before you start, make sure you understand exactly how to use the Self-Cleaning cycle safely.

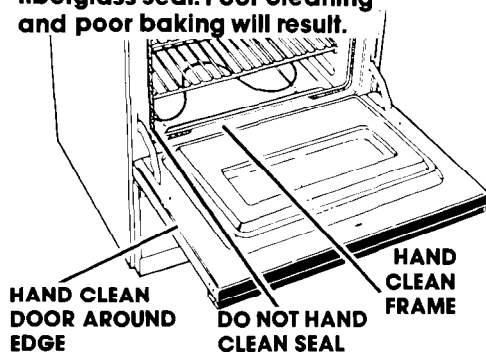
Before You Start

1. Clean the areas shown by hand.

They do not get hot enough during the Self-Cleaning cycle for soil to burn away. Use hot water and detergent or a soapy steel wool pad on...

- The inside of the door. (The center area of the door does not need to be hand cleaned.)
- The frame around the oven.

DO NOT clean, move or bend the fiberglass seal. Poor cleaning and poor baking will result.



2. Remove the broiler pan and any pots and pans you may have stored in the oven.

NOTE: The broiler pan (without grid) can be cleaned in the oven only if most of the soil has been removed by hand-cleaning or a dishwasher. The chrome broiler grid will discolor if cleaned in the Self-Cleaning cycle.

3. Wipe out any loose soil or grease. This will help reduce smoke during the Self-Cleaning cycle.

4. If you want the oven racks to remain shiny, remove from the oven and clean by hand. Otherwise, put oven racks on second and fourth guides (guides are counted from bottom to top). After racks are cleaned in the Self-Cleaning cycle, they become harder to slide. See chart on page 24.

5. If you want to clean the reflector bowls in the oven:

- Wipe the reflector bowls of loose soil and grease.
- Place 2 bowls, upside down on each oven rack. For best results, they should not touch each other or the oven walls.
- **Chrome trim rings must not be cleaned in the oven. They will discolor.**

Turn on the vent hood or other kitchen vent during the Self-Cleaning cycle. This will help remove heat and odors that are normal during the cycle.

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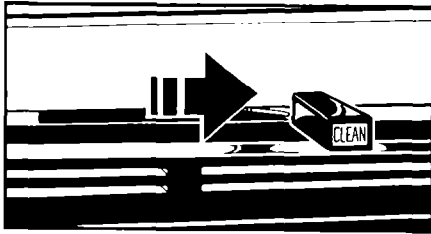
Personal Injury and Product Damage Hazard

- **Do not touch the oven during the Self-Cleaning cycle. It could burn you.**
- **Do not use commercial oven cleaners in your oven. Cleaners may produce hazardous fumes or damage the porcelain finish.**
- **Do not force the Lock Lever, you could bend or break it. The lever is designed to stay locked until the oven is cool enough to safely open. Wait until it moves freely.**
- **Do not use foil or other liners in the oven. During the Self-Cleaning cycle foil can burn or melt and damage the oven surface.**
- **Do not block the vent during the Self-Cleaning cycle. Air must move freely for best cleaning results.**
- **Do not leave plastic utensils near the vent. They may melt.**

Setting the Controls

Be sure the kitchen is ventilated during the Self-Cleaning cycle. This will help heat, odors and smoke to disappear from the room as quickly as possible.

The oven will accept any length of cleaning time up to 4 hours and 59 minutes. A 3 hour cleaning time is recommended for moderate soil.



1. Move the Lock Lever **all the way to the right** – the Clean position.



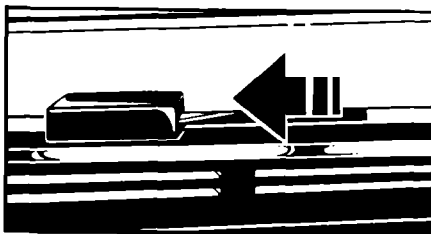
2. Touch CLEAN TIME. "0" will appear in the Display.



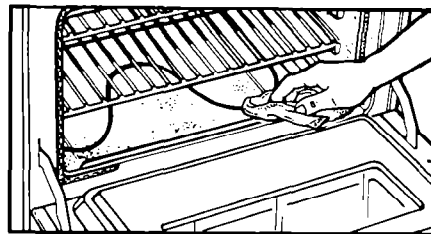
3. Touch Number Pads for the desired cleaning time up to 4 hours and 59 minutes. The Display will show the numbers you touched, **in the order you touched them**.
 - Use 2 hours for light soil.
 - Use 3 hours or more for moderate to heavy soil.



4. Touch START. The Display will count down the time you set in minutes. The Lock Light will come on when the oven temperature exceeds normal baking temperatures. The Lock Lever can't be moved when this light is on.



5. After the Self-Cleaning cycle is completed, the Lock Light goes off. Move the Lock Lever back to the left. **Do not force it**. Wait until it will move easily.



6. After the oven is cool, wipe off any residue or ash with a damp cloth. If needed, touch up spots with a soapy steel wool pad.

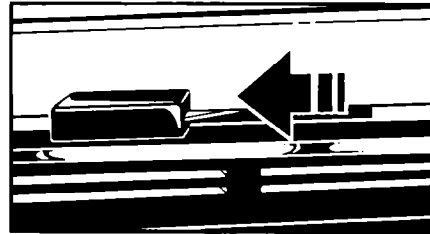
Special Tips

- Keep the kitchen well ventilated during the Self-Cleaning cycle to help get rid of heat, odors and smoke.
- Clean the oven before it gets heavily soiled. Cleaning a very soiled oven takes longer and results in more smoke than usual.
- If the Self-Cleaning cycle doesn't get the oven as clean as you expected, the cycle may not have been set long enough or you may not have prepared the oven properly. Set the Self-Cleaning cycle longer the next time and hand clean areas noted on page 21.
- If the Lock Lever is not in the Clean position, the word "door" appears in the Display and the Self-Cleaning cycle will not start. Move the Lock Lever to the right – the Clean position. The Display will show the clean time you selected and will begin the cycle.

To stop the Self-Cleaning cycle at anytime:



1. Touch CANCEL.



2. When the Lock Light goes off, move the Lock Lever back to the left. **DO NOT FORCE IT.** Wait until it moves easily.

⚠ WARNING

Burn Hazard

Do not touch the range during the Self-Cleaning cycle. It can burn you.

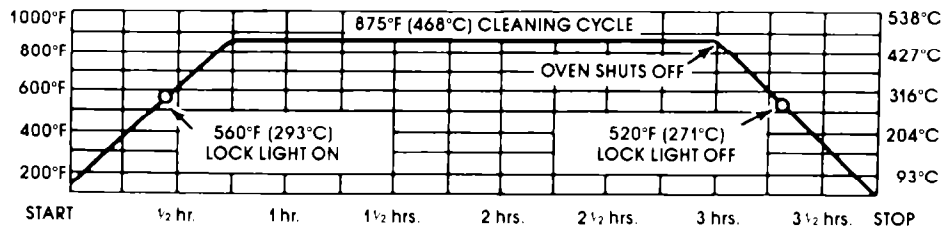
How It Works

During the Self-Cleaning cycle, the oven gets much hotter than it does for baking or broiling...approximately 875°F (468°C). This heat breaks up grease and soil and burns it off.

This graph shows approximate temperatures and times during a Self-Cleaning cycle for 3 hours.

SELF-CLEANING CYCLE – THREE HOUR SETTING

(Approximate Temperatures and Times)



Notice that the heating stops when the 3-hour setting is up, but that it takes longer for the oven to cool down enough to unlock.

Cleaning Chart

PART	WHAT TO USE	HOW TO CLEAN
Exterior surfaces	Warm soapy water and a soft cloth. Non-abrasive plastic scrubbing pad for heavily-soiled areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wipe off regularly when oven is cool. Do not allow food containing acids (such as vinegar, tomato, lemon juice or milk) to remain on surface. Acids may remove the glossy finish. Do not use abrasive or harsh cleansers.
Surface units	No cleaning required.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spatters or spills will burn off. Do not immerse in water.
Porcelain- enamel reflector bowls	Warm soapy water and a non-abrasive plastic scrubbing pad. Self-Cleaning cycle.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wipe out excess spills. Wash, rinse and dry well. Place upside down on oven racks in oven during the Self-Cleaning cycle.
Chrome trim rings	Warm soapy water and a non-abrasive plastic scrubbing pad.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wash, rinse and dry well. Clean frequently. Do not use abrasive or harsh cleansers. Do not place in Self-Cleaning Oven.
Control knobs	Warm soapy water and a soft cloth.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wash, rinse and dry well. Do not soak.
Control panel	Warm soapy water or spray glass cleaner and a soft cloth.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wash, rinse and dry well. Follow directions provided with the cleaner.
Broiler pan and grid	Warm soapy water or a soapy steel wool pad.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clean after each use. Wash, rinse and dry well. Do not clean in Self-Cleaning Oven. (See note on page 21.)
Oven racks	Self-Cleaning cycle. Warm soapy water or soapy steel wool pads.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leave in oven during Self-Cleaning cycle. OR Wash, rinse and dry. Use soapy steel wool pads for heavily-soiled areas. <p>NOTE: The oven racks will discolor and be harder to slide when left in the oven during the Self-Cleaning cycle. If you want them to stay shiny, remove from the oven and clean by hand. If racks are left in the oven during the Self-Cleaning cycle, apply a small amount of vegetable oil to the sides of the racks to make them easier to slide.</p>
Oven door glass	Spray glass cleaner or warm soapy water and a non-abrasive plastic scrubbing pad.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make sure oven is cool. Follow directions provided with the cleaner. Wash, rinse and dry well.

PART	WHAT TO USE	HOW TO CLEAN
Self-Cleaning Oven	For areas outside the Self-Cleaning area use warm soapy water or soapy steel wool pads.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow directions starting on page 21, "Using the Self-Cleaning Cycle." Do not use commercial oven cleaners. Do not use foil to line the bottom of your Self-Cleaning Oven.

Using and Replacing the Light Bulbs

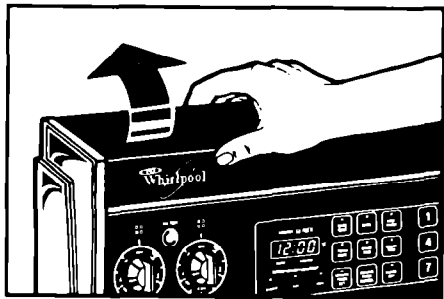
The Cooktop Light

The fluorescent top light is under the control panel. The Top Light Switch is on the control panel. Push it in and hold it for a second or two to turn on the top light. Push it again to turn it off.

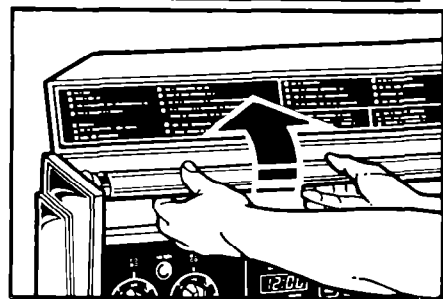
⚠ WARNING

Electrical Shock Hazard

Make sure power to the range has been turned off at the main power supply before replacing the fluorescent tube. Failure to do so could result in electrical shock.



1. Unplug appliance or disconnect at main power supply.
2. Flip up the top of the control panel.



3. Grasp the fluorescent tube at both ends. Turn the tube away from you until both ends come out of the receptacles. Replace with a 20-watt cool-white fluorescent tube.
4. Close the top panel. Plug in appliance or reconnect at main power supply.

The Oven Light

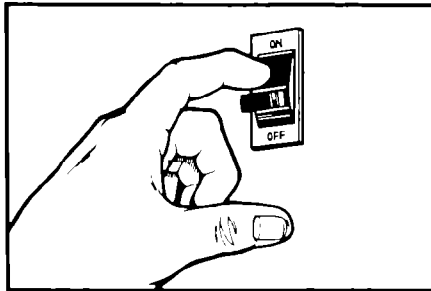
The oven light will come on when you open the oven door. To turn the light on when the oven door is closed, push the Oven Light Switch on the oven control panel. Push it again to turn off the light.

To Replace:

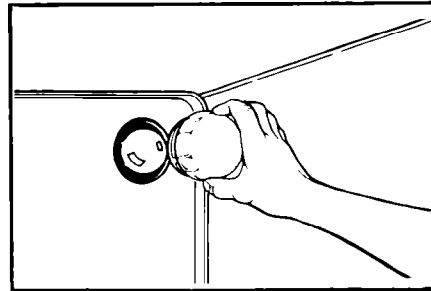
⚠ WARNING

Electrical Shock and Personal Injury Hazard

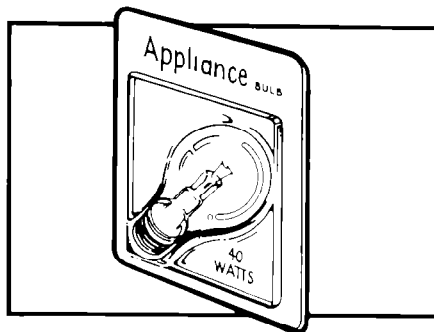
- **Make sure oven and light bulb are cool and power to the range has been turned OFF before replacing the light bulb. Failure to do so could result in electrical shock or burns.**
- **The bulb cover must be in place when using the oven. The cover protects the bulb from breaking, and from high oven temperatures. Since bulb cover is made of glass, be careful not to drop it. Broken glass could cause injury.**



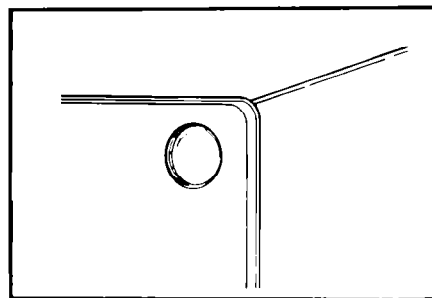
- 1.** Unplug appliance or disconnect at main power supply.



- 2.** Remove the glass bulb cover in the back of the oven by screwing it out counterclockwise.



- 3.** Remove the light bulb from its socket. Replace the bulb with a 40-watt appliance bulb.



- 4.** Replace the bulb cover by screwing it in clockwise. Plug in appliance or reconnect at the main power supply.

NOTE: The oven light will not work during the Self-Cleaning cycle.

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

1. Before calling for assistance...

Performance problems often result from little things you can find and fix 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 your home's main fuses or circuit breaker box?

If the oven will not operate:

- Is the Keyboard On/Off Control in the Oven Control On Position?
- Is the Lock Lever in the BAKE position?
- Is the Oven Door closed for baking or slightly opened for broiling?
- Are the Electronic Controls set correctly? See pages 10-14.
- Have you programmed a delay Start time?

If surface units will not operate:

- Have you checked your home's main fuses or circuit breaker box?
- Are surface units plugged in all the way?
- Do the control knobs turn?

If surface unit control knob(s) will not turn:

- Did you push in before trying to turn?

If the Self-Cleaning cycle will not operate:

- Is the Lock Lever all the way to the right – the Clean position?
- Is CLEAN TIME set correctly?
- Did you set a Self-Cleaning cycle longer than 4 hours and 59 minutes?
- Have you programmed a delay Start time?

If cooking results aren't what you expected:

- Is the range level?
- If needed, have you preheated the oven as the recipe calls for?
- Are you following a tested recipe from a reliable source?
- Are you using pans recommended in the Cooking Guide?
- If baking, have you allowed 1½ to 2 inches (4-5 cm) on all sides of the pans for air circulation?
- Are the pans the size called for in the recipe?
- Do the cooking utensils have smooth, flat bottoms and fit the surface elements being used?

If the oven temperature seems too low or high:

- Was your old oven accurate? Your old oven may have shifted gradually while your new oven may be more exact.
- If, after using the oven, you are not satisfied with the temperature settings, they can be adjusted by an authorized WhirlpoolSM service technician. (See "If you need service" on page 28.)

If there has been a power interruption, the display will flash "PF." Reset the clock, (page 9).

If "call" shows on the display, call for service. (See "If you need service" on page 28.)

See the Cooking Guide for more information on cooking problems and how to solve them.

continued on next page

2. If you need assistance*...

Call Whirlpool COOL-LINE® service assistance telephone number. Dial free from anywhere in the U.S.: 1-800-253-1301

and talk with one of our trained consultants. The consultant 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.

If you prefer, write to:

Mr. Donald Skinner
Director of Consumer Relations
Whirlpool Corporation
2000 M-63
Benton Harbor, MI 49022

Please include a daytime phone number in your correspondence.

3. If you need service*...



Whirlpool has a nationwide network of authorized WhirlpoolSM service companies. Whirlpool service technicians are trained to fulfill the product warranty and provide after-warranty service, anywhere in the United States. To locate the authorized Whirlpool service company 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 - ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES -
MAJOR - SERVICE & REPAIR MAJOR - REPAIRING & PARTS

OR

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& IRONERS - SERVICING

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123 MAPLE

4. If you need FSP[®] replacement parts*...

FSP is a registered trademark of Whirlpool Corporation for quality parts. Look for this symbol of quality whenever you need a replacement part for your Whirlpool appliance. FSP replacement parts will fit right and work right, because they are made to the same exacting specifications used to build every new Whirlpool appliance.

To locate FSP replacement parts in your area, refer to Step 3 above or call the Whirlpool COOL-LINE service assistance number in Step 2.

5. If you are not satisfied with how the problem was solved*...

- Contact the Major Appliance Consumer Action Panel (MACAP). MACAP is a group of independent consumer experts that voices consumer views at the highest levels of the major appliance industry.
- Contact MACAP only when the dealer, authorized servicer or Whirlpool have failed to resolve your problem.

Major Appliance Consumer
Action Panel
20 North Wacker Drive
Chicago, IL 60606

- MACAP will in turn inform us of your action.

*When requesting assistance, 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.

WHIRLPOOL[®] FREE-STANDING TOUCH CONTROL RANGE WARRANTY

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LENGTH OF WARRANTY	WHIRLPOOL WILL PAY FOR
FULL ONE-YEAR WARRANTY From Date of Purchase	FSP [®] replacement parts and repair labor to correct defects in materials or workmanship. Service must be provided by an authorized Whirlpool SM service company.
LIMITED FOUR-YEAR WARRANTY Second Through Fifth Year From Date of Purchase	FSP replacement parts for electronic oven touch control system if defective in materials or workmanship.
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<p>A. Service calls to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Correct the installation of the range product. 2. Instruct you how to use the range product. 3. Replace house fuses or correct house wiring or plumbing. 4. Replace owner accessible light bulbs. <p>B. Repairs when range product is used in other than normal, single-family household use.</p> <p>C. Pick up and delivery. This product is designed to be repaired in the home.</p> <p>D. Damage to range product caused by accident, misuse, fire, flood, acts of God or use of products not approved by Whirlpool.</p> <p>E. Any labor costs during limited warranty.</p>	

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages so this limitation or exclusion may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

Outside the United States, a different warranty may also apply. For details, please contact your franchised Whirlpool distributor or military exchange.

If you need service, first see the "Service and Assistance" section of this book. After checking "Service and Assistance," additional help can be found by calling our COOL-LINE[®] service assistance telephone number, **1-800-253-1301**, from anywhere in the U.S.



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