ARCTIS 189 GT ARCTIS 261 GT



Chest freezer

Operating Instructions

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Dear customer,

Before placing your new chest freezer into operation please read these operating instructions carefully. They contain important information for safe use, for installation and for care of the appliance.

Please keep these operating instructions for future reference. Pass them on to possible new owners of the appliance.

These operating instructions are for use with several technically comparable models with varying accessories. Please observe the notes which apply to your model.



Notes which are important for your safety or for the proper functioning of the appliance are stressed with a warning triangle and/ or with signal words (Warning!, Caution!, Attention!). Please observe the following carefully.



This symbol guides you step by step in the operation of the appliance.



Supplementary information regarding operation and practical applications of the appliance appear after this symbol.



Tips and notes concerning economical and environmentally sound use of the appliance are marked with the cloverleaf.

The operating instructions contain instructions for the correction of possible malfunctions by the user in the section "What to do if ...".If these instructions should not be sufficient, our customer service department is always available to you.

Printed on paper manufactured with environmentally sound processes – he who thinks ecologically acts accordingly ...

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\land Safety

The safety of our freezers is in accordance with recognised technological standards and appliance safety legislation. We nevertheless feel that it is important to acquaint you with the following safety guidelines:

Use for Intended Purpose

- The freezer is intended for household use. It is suitable for freezing and storage of frozen food. The manufacturer assumes no liability for damages occurring through improper operation or use of the appliance for unintended purposes.
- Alterations or changes to the freezer are not permitted for reasons of safety.
- If you use the freezer in a commercial application or for purposes other than the freezing or frozen storage of foods, please observe all valid legal regulations for your application.

Prior to initial start-up

• check the refrigerator/freezer for transport damage. Do not under any circumstances connect a damaged appliance! Please contact your supplier in the event of damage.

Refrigerant

The refrigerant isobutane (R600a) is contained within the refrigerant circuit of the appliance, a natural gas with a high level of environmental compatibility, which is nevertheless flammable.

- During transportation and installation of the appliance, be certain that none of the components of the refrigerant circuit become damaged.
- If the refrigerant circuit should become damaged:
 - avoid open flames and sources of ignition;
 - thoroughly ventilate the room in which the appliance is situated.

Safety for Children

- Packaging materials (e.g. films, styrofoam) can be dangerous for children. Danger of suffocation! Keep packaging materials away from children!
- For appliances with lockable lids: Children playing could get locked in. Danger of suffocation! Keep the key out of the reach of children and do not leave it near the appliance.

- Before disposing of old appliances make them inoperable. Remove plug from mains, sever the power cable, remove or destroy any snap or latch closures. This eliminates the danger that playing children lock themselves into the appliance (danger of suffocation!) or place themselves into other life-endangering situations.
- Children often do not recognise the dangers involved with household appliances. Please provide for the necessary supervision and do not allow children to play with the appliance!

Daily Operation

- Containers with flammable gases or fluids can develop leaks through contact with the cold. Danger of explosion! Do not store containers with flammable substances, such as aerosol cans, refill cartridges for cigarette lighters etc. in the refrigerator/freezer.
- Bottles and cans may not be placed in the freezer compartment. They can burst when the contents freeze - or even explode if the contents contain carbonic acid! Never place sodas, juices, beer, wine, champagne etc. into the freezer compartment. Exception: Spirits with high alcohol content may be stored in the freezer compartment.
- Do not place ice cream or ice cubes directly from the freezer compartment into the mouth. Very cold ice can freeze to the lips or tongue and cause injury.
- Never touch frozen goods with wet hands. Hands can freeze to the goods.
- Do not operate any electrical appliances in the refrigerator/freezer (e.g. electric ice cream makers, mixers etc.).
- Before cleaning the appliance always pull the mains plug out or switch off/disengage the household fuse.
- When unplugging always pull the plug from the mains socket, do not pull on the cable.

In case of malfunction

- If a malfunction occurs on the appliance, please look first in the "What to do if ..." section of these instructions. If the information given there does not help, please do not perform any further repairs yourself.
- This product should be serviced by an authorised engineer and only genuine spare parts should be used.
- Under no circumstances should you attempt to repair the appliance yourself. Repairs carried out by inexperienced persons may cause injury or serious malfunctioning. Contact your local AEG Service Force Centre.

Disposal

Appliance Packaging Information

All materials are environmentally friendly. They can be safely disposed of at a recycling centre.

About the materials: The plastics can be recycled and are identified as follows:

>PE< for polyethylene, e.g. the outer covering and the bags in the interior.

>PS< for polystyrene foam, e.g. the pads, which are all free of chlorofluorocarbon.

The carton parts are made from recycled paper and should be disposed of at a waste-paper recycling collection location.

Disposal of old Appliances

For environmental reasons, refrigeration appliances must be disposed of properly. This applies to your old appliance, and – at the end of its service life – for your new appliance as well.



Warning! Before disposing of old appliances make them inoperable. Remove plug from mains, sever the power cable, remove or destroy any snap or latch closures. This eliminates the danger of playing children locking themselves into the appliance (danger of suffocation!) or place themselves into other life-endangering situations.

Disposal:

- The appliance may not be disposed of with domestic waste or bulky refuse.
- The refrigerating circuit must not be damaged.
- Information concerning collection schedules or locations can be obtained from your local Council or Environmental Health Office.

Installation

Technical Specifications

Model		ARCTIS 189 GT	ARCTIS 261 GT
Volume (gross)	litres	189	261
Volume (net)	litres	184	255
Height without/with roller	cm	87,6/88,3	87,6/88,3
Width	cm	93,5	119
Depth	cm	66,5	66,5
Weight	kg	49	57
Energy consumpt./24h	kWh	0,53	0,64
Freezing capacity	kg/24h	23	27
Hold-over time	hours	43	47
Rated power	W	75	100

Installation Location

The appliance should be set up in a well ventilated, dry room on a firm and level surface.



Warning! The appliance may not be exposed to spray or water splashes. There is a danger of electrical shock!

Energy use is affected by the ambient temperature.

The appliance should therefore

- not be exposed to direct sunlight;
- not be installed next to radiators, cookers or other sources of heat;
- only be installed at a location whose ambient temperature corresponds to the climate classification, for which the appliance is designed.

The climate classification is stipulated on the serial plate which can be found on the inner side of the lid. The following table shows which ambient temperature is correct for each climate classification:

Climate classification	for an ambient temperature of
SN	+10 to +32 °C
Ν	+16 to +32 °C
ST	+18 to +38 °C
Т	+18 to +43 °C

The freezer needs air.

The side walls become warm whilst the appliance is on. The heat is generated by the special refrigerating system (shell condenser) and helps prevent condensation. In order for the heat to be able to be dissipated, air must be able to circulate around all the side walls.



Attention! To function correctly the appliance requires good ventilation. Make sure that the side walls and the base of the appliance are not covered or obstructed.

Electrical Connection

Any electrical work required to install this appliance should be carried out by a qualified electrician or competent person.



WARNING - THIS APPLIANCE MUST BE EARTHED

The manufacturer declines any liability should these safety mea-sures not be observed.

Before switching on, make sure the electricity supply voltage is the same as that indicated on the appliance rating plate. The rating plate is inside, on the left.

The appliance is supplied with a 13 amp plug fitted. In the event of having to change the fuse in the plug supplied, a 13 amp ASTA approved (BS 1362) fuse must be used.

Important

The wires in the mains lead are coloured in GREEN & YELLOW accordance with the following code:

Green and Yellow	Earth
Blue	Neutral
Brown	Live

As the colours of the wires in the mains lead of this appliance may not correspond with the coloured markings identifying the terminals in your plug, proceed as follows:



1.The wire coloured green and yellow must be connected to the termi-nal marked with the letter "E" or by the earth symbol or coloured green and yellow.

2. The wire coloured blue must be connected to the terminal marked "N" or coloured black.

3. The wire coloured brown must be connected to the terminal marked ${\tt "L"}$ or coloured red.

4.Upon completion there must be no cut, or stray strands of wire present and the cord clamp must be secure over the outer sheath.



Appliance Description

Control Panel



Starting Up

- Please clean the appliance interior and all accessories prior to initial start up (see section: "Cleaning and Care").
- Insert the mains plug of the chest freezer into the mains supply. Set the thermostat control knob to a medium setting and leave the appliance to run for 2 hours before placing any food inside.

The temperature inside the freezer must be -18 °C or colder. This can be checked by measuring the temperature of the top middle package.

When the appliance has reached the correct temperature for safe storage of frozen food the red signal light will illuminate. If the temperature in the freezer is too high the light will go out. The light may go out for the following reasons:

- There is a power failure.
- The lid has been recently opened.
- A large quantity of food has been added to the appliance.
- There is a fault.



Important: Check regularly on the red temperature warning light and on a thermometer placed inside whether the storage temperature is being maintained.

Temperature adjustment

Thermostat control knob

1 = Lowest setting, minimum cold

SUPER = Highest setting, maximum cold

Turning the thermostat control knob towards "SUPER" reduces the temperature in the freezer and turning it 1 towards to the lower numbers will increase the temperature. Use a small coin in the groove to make it easier to turn the thermostat control knob.





Important: If you adjust the temperature control knob to a lower temperature the motor may not start immediately, this is a normal and not a fault with the appliance.

OPENING/CLOSING THE LID

After opening and closing the lid of your freezer you will not be able to open the lid again immediately. This is because a vacuum will have developed inside, keeping the lid closed until the pressures inside and outside the lid have equalised. After a few minutes you can easly reopen the lid.

THE ROLE OF THE PRESSURE EQUALISATION VALVE

The pressure equalisation valve installed in freezer automaically eliminates the pressure difference which would otherwise make it very difficult or even impossible to open the lid.

It may be possible to hear the operation of the valve as the air flows in through the airing outlet in the back wall of the cabinet.

For a safe operation, keep the two openings of the valve free, do not cover them!



LOW FROST SYSTEM.

The patented LOW FROST System reduces the ice-build-up in the chest freezer by up to 80 percent, which results in a longer period of time between defrosting. To get the full benefit of the system, please observe the following points:

The amount of ice-build-up in any freezer is very much dependent of the moisture of the surrounding air. The ice will build up quicker in a humid climate than in a dry climate.

Therefore you should avoid installing your freezer in very humid surroundings. The LOW FROST system minimizes the amount of ice caused by the natural temperature cycle of the freezer. However, ice-build-up from other sources is not reduced. The most important other sources are poorly wrapped food and warm air introduced when the lid is opened.

Therefore, it is important to ensure that the lid isn't opened unnecessarily, and the lid is not obstructed by packs of food when closed.

If food stored in the freezer is not wrapped properly, humidity from the food will settle as ice on the freezer walls. Food quality will also deteriorate, so ensure that food put in the freezer is wrapped well.

Maintenance and Cleaning. The LOW FROST system does not need any maintenance or cleaning during normal use. If needed the pipe can be wiped with a soft cloth. Do not use any sharp or piercing tools, as this may damage the system.

DEFROSTING

In general food should not be defrosted at room temperature, since this increases the risk of bacteria growth. It is best to defrost large portions of meat or poultry in the refrigerator, and this also applies to food which is to be consumed as it is (e.g. fruit, butter and sliced meat). Small portions of food can be cooked straight from the freezer. A good number of ready-to-cook dishes can also be cooked without defrosting. Always observe the instructions on product packaging. Bread tastes good when defrosted in a moderate oven. Microwave ovens can be used for the rapid defrosting of most frozen foods. Observe the instructions for use of the microwave oven concerned, especially regarding foil dishes.

LOCK

The lock works as shown in the drawings. Remember to keep the key out of the reach of children.



Baskets

The baskets are designed for the storage of food which has already been frozen. The handles can be placed in two positions, as shown.

The baskets can either be placed inside the freezer or hung on the edge of the casing.

The following spare parts can be ordered from your local Service Force Centre. Please note that 2 handles must be

ordered for each basket.

"A" Basket 291263000/9

"B" Basket 291263001/7

Handle 291340004/6 (2 required).



Switching the Appliance Off

To switch off the appliance pull out the plug from the power supply or switch off or disengage the household fuse.

If the appliance is to be removed from service for a lengthy period:

Remove the mains plug or switch off or turn out the circuit breaker or fuse.

Defrost freezer compartment and clean thoroughly (see section: "Cleaning and Care").

Then leave the lid open to avoid odours.

Maximum capacity / Stacking limit

To be able to store larger quantities or bulky products for freezing you can remove all the storage baskets. The appliance will still function safely if used in this way.

Do not stack the products higherthan the lower edge of the plastic frame.



Freezing

Tip: To freeze fresh foods use the small freezing compartment on the right of the dividing partition. This enables you to separate already frozen foods from fresh foods. Always make sure already frozen goods cannot defrost by coming into contact with fresh products. If the freezing compartment is too small you can freeze part of the products in the large storage section on the left of the dividing partition as long as it does not come into contact with previously frozen food.

Attention!

- Before freezing food the temperature in the freezer must be -18 °C or colder.
- Please observe indicated freezing capacity on the rating plate. The freezing capacity represents the maximum amount of fresh goods that can be frozen within 24 hours. If you freeze goods on several days, one after the other, freeze amounts equal to 2/3 to 3/4 of the capacity indicated on the rating plate.
- Thawed foods which have not been processed further (cooked into meals) may not under any circumstances be frozen a second time.

- Turn the control knob to "SUPER". The freezer will now run continuously, creating a sufficient reserve of the temperature required.
- Turn the control knob to "SUPER" 6-24 hours before placing fresh food in the freezer, depending on how much food is to be frozen.
- Place the food in the freezer and leave the control knob set to "SUPER" for a further 24 hours.
- Return the control knob to a medium setting. The freezer will return to normal storage temperature. If you forget to return the control knob to a medium setting, the freezer will not be damaged but energy will be wasted.
- All foods must be packed air tight prior to freezing, so that they do not dry out or lose their flavour, and so that no flavour contamination of other frozen goods occurs.

Caution! Do not touch the frozen foods with wet hands. Hands can freeze to the goods.

- Place the packed food products into the freezer. Ensure they come into contact with the side walls. Unfrozen goods may not come into contact with already frozen goods, otherwise the frozen goods may start to thaw.
- If more products have to be frozen, keep on the fast freeze switch otherwise switch the fast freeze function off about 24 hours after inserting the food products, for smaller quantities earlier.

(i) TIPS:

- The following are suited for the packaging of frozen goods:
- freezer bags and polyethylene wraps;
- special cans for frozen goods;
- extra-thick aluminium foil
- The following are suitable for closing bags and foil: plastic clips, rubber bands or adhesive tape.
- Before closing press out the air from the bags and foil, as air make the frozen products dry out more easily and wastes space.
- Make flat packages, because these freeze more quickly.
- Do not fill cans for frozen goods to the brim with liquid or paste-like goods, because liquids expand during freezing.

Frozen Storage

Attention! Before filling the freezer for the first time with previously frozen goods, the necessary storage temperature of -18 °C must have been attained.

- Load freezer only with packaged frozen goods, so that they do not dry out or lose their flavour, and so that no flavour contamination of other frozen goods can occur.
- Please observe maximum storage times and expiry dates of frozen goods.
- Store ice cream and fatty foods in the lower area of the freezer (near to the bottom).

Defrosting

Whilst in operation and when the lid is opened, the moisture inside the freezer forms hoar frost. Remove this hoar frost from time to time with a soft plastic scraper, e.g. a spatula. Do not under any circumstances use hard or pointed objects for this purpose.

Defrost the freezer when the layer of hoar frost has become 4 mm thick. For models with a no-frost system at least once a year.

Models with a low frost system do not need to be defrosted as often, as in the case of these appliances ice and hoar frost take longer to build up in the freezer. The low frost system is maintenance free throughout the entire service life of the appliance.

A convenient time for defrosting is any time when the appliance is empty, or only minimally loaded.

Marning!

- Do not use electrical heating appliances or any other mechanical or artificial devices to speed up the defrosting process, with the exception of those recommended in these operating instructions.
- Do not use defrosting sprays, because they may be health endangering and/or contain substances damaging to plastics.

Caution! Do not touch frozen goods with wet hands Hands can freeze to the goods.

Remove frozen goods, pack them in several layers of newspaper, cover them and store them in a cool place, e.g. in a refrigerator.

Remove the mains plug or switch off or turn out the circuit breaker or fuse.

Remove the interior accessories (baskets, trays etc.).

Pull out the plug of the defrost water outlet at the bottom of the freezer.

To catch the defrost water, place the freezing trays (not included with all models), the dividing partition or another flat receptacle under the defrost water outlet.





lid. Remove pieces of ice that break away before defrosting is complete.

After defrosting thoroughly clean the freezer interior, as well as interior accessories (see section: "Cleaning and Care").

Cleaning and care

For hygienic reasons the appliance interior, including interior accessories, should be cleaned regularly.



Warning!

- The appliance may not be connected to the power supply whilst it is being cleaned. Electric shock hazard! Before cleaning, pull out the mains plug or switch off or disengage fuse.
- Never clean the appliance with a steam cleaner. Moisture could accumulate in electrical components, danger of electrical shock! Hot vapours can lead to the damage of plastic parts.
- Take care that no fluid enters the control panel on the handle or any other electrical parts.
- The appliance must be dry before it is placed back into service.

Important!

- Ethereal oils and organic solvents can attack plastic parts, e.g.
- Juice from lemon or orange peel;
- butyric acid;
- cleansers which contain acetic acid.
- Do not allow such substances to come into contact with parts of the appliance.
- Do not use any abrasive cleansers.

Defrost the freezer compartment (see section: "Defrosting").

Clean the appliance and the interior accessories with a cloth and lukewarm water. Commercially available dish washing detergents may also be used.

After cleaning wipe with fresh water and rub dry.

Attention! Reinsert the plug of the defrost water outlet at the base of the freezer after cleaning.

After everything is dry place appliance back into service.



Energy Saving Tips

- Do not install the appliance near cookers, radiators or other sources of warmth. High ambient temperatures cause longer, more frequent operation of the compressor.
- In order to guarantee sufficient ventilation, do not cover or obstruct the sides and base of the appliance.
- Do not place warm foods into the appliance. Allow warm foods to cool first.
- Do not leave the lid open any longer than necessary.
- Do not set the temperature colder than necessary.
- Place frozen goods into the refrigerator for thawing. Cold from frozen goods is thus used for cooling in the refrigerator.

What to do if ...

Correcting Malfunctions

Perhaps a malfunction has been caused by a minor error, which you, can correct yourself with the help of the following instructions. Do not attempt any further repairs if the following instructions do not help in each specific case.



Warning! Repairs to refrigerators/freezers may only be performed by competent service engineers. Improper repairs can give rise to significant hazards for the user. If your appliance needs repairing, please contact your specialist dealer or your Local Service Force Centre.

What to do if...

If the appliance is not working correctly, please carry out the following checks before calling out an engineer.

Symptom	Check if	Solution
No power to the appliance .	Plug not connected properly.	Connect plug to the power supply.
	Faulty fuse in the plug.	Replace the fuse if necessary.
	There is a power failure.	Leave the lid closed and wait for the power supply to be restored.
	Is the thermostat control knob set correctly relevant to the ambient conditions.	Turn the thermostat control knob to the appropriate setting (colder).
	Check the ambient conditions.	Relocate the appliance.
	Check that the ambient temperature is within the appliance's operating limits of $10^{\circ}C - 32^{\circ}C$.	
	Fresh food has recently been placed in the freezer.	
The lid will not open.	The lid has recently been opened.	If it has wait a few minutes for the pressure inside the freezer to the equalise and then open the lid.
		Do not put excessive force on the handle.
Excessive frost and ice has built up.	Is the thermostat control knob set correctly relevant to the ambient conditions.	
	Is the lid closing correctly.	Rearrange the stored food so that the lid can be closed correctly.
	There is a large amount of moisture from the packaging of stored food.	Ensure that all food placed in the freezer is wrapped in airlight dry packaging.
The pressure equalisation valve does not close properly.	Some pollution has got into the valve.	The valve must be cleaned from the airing outlet in the rear wall.

REPLACE LIGHT BULB



Service and Spare Parts

In the event of your appliance requiring service, or if you wish to purchase spare parts, contact your local AEG Service Force Centre by telephoning:

0870 5 929929

Your call will be automatically routed to the Service Force Centre covering your post code area.

For the address of your local AEG Service Force Centre and further information about Service Force please visit the website at www.serviceforce.co.uk.

In guarantiee customers should ensure that the checks on the previous pages have been made as the engineer will make a charge if the fault is not a mechanical or electrical breakdown.

Please note that proof of purchase is required for in-guarantiee service calls.

Help us to Help You

Please determine your type of enquiry before writing or telephoning.

When you contact us we need to know.

- 1. Your name, address and post code
- 2. Your telephone number
- 3. Clear and concise details of the fault
- 4. The model number and serial number (see rating plate)
- 5. Date of purchase

Customer Care

For general enquiries concerning your AEG appliance or for further information on AEG products, please contact our Customer Care Department by letter or telephone at the address below or visit our website at www.aeg.co.uk

Customer Care Department

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Slough

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Tel: 08705 350350, calls this number may be recorded for training purposes.

Regulations, Standards, Guidelines

This appliance was designed for household use and was manufactured in accordance with the appropriate standards.

During manufacturing, necessary measures were taken especially incompliance with the law governing the safety of appliances (GSG), the regulations for the prevention of accidents caused by refrigerating equipment (VBG 20) and the regulations of the association of German Electrical Engineers (VDE).

The refrigerant circuit has been checked for leaks.

C $\mathbf{C}_{-73/23/\text{EEC}}$ of 19/2/ 1973 - Low Voltage Directive

- 89/336/EEC of 3/5/1989

(including Modification Directive 92/31/EEC) - EMC Directive

Guarantee Conditions

Standard guarantee conditions

We, AEG, undertake that if within 12 months of the date of the purchase this AEG appliance or any part thereof is proved to be defective by reason only of faulty workmanship or materials, we will, at our discretion repair or replace the same FREE OF CHARGE for labour, materials or carriage on condition that:

- The appliance has been correctly installed and used only on the electricity or gas supply stated on the rating plate.
- The appliance has been used for normal domestic purposes only, and in accordance with the manufacturer's operating and maintenance instructions.
- The appliance has not been serviced, maintained, repaired, taken apart or tampered with by any person not authorised by us.
- All service work under this guarantee must be undertaken by a Service Force Centre. Any appliance or defective part replaced shall become the Company's property.
- This guarantee is in addition to your statutory and other legal rights.
- Home visits are made between **8.30am and 5.30pm** Monday to Friday. Visits may be available outside these hours in which case a **premium** will be charged.

Exclusions

This guarantee does not cover:

- Damage or calls resulting from transportation, improper use or neglect, the replacement of any light bulbs or removable parts of glass or plastic.
- Costs incurred for calls to put right an appliance which is improperly installed or calls to appliances outside the United Kingdom.
- Appliances found to be in use within a commercial environment, plus those which are subject to rental agreements.
- Products of AEG manufacture which are not marketed by AEG.

European Guarantee

If you should move to another country within Europe then your guarantee moves with you to your new home subject to the following qualifications:

- The guarantee starts from the date you first purchased your product.
- The guarantee is for the same period and to the same extent for labour and parts as exists in the new country of use for this brand or range of products.
- This guarantee relates to you and cannot be transferred to another user.
- Your new home is within the European Community (EC) or European Free Trade Area.
- The product is installed and used in accordance with our instructions and is only used domestically, i.e. a normal household.
- The product is installed taking into account regulations in your new country.

Before you move please contact your nearest Customer Care centre, listed below, to give them details of your new home. They will then ensure that the local Service Organisation is aware of your move and able to look after you and your appliances.

France	Senlis	+33 (0)3 44 62 29 29
Germany	Nürnberg	+49 (0)800 234 7378
Italy	Pordenone	+39 (0)800 117511
Sweden	Stockholm	+46 (0)8 672 53 60
UK	Slough	+44 (0)1753 219899

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