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4-Slice Toaster



Instruction Manual

MODEL: ECT-1913
120V~, 60Hz, 1400W

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Thank you for purchasing your Chef Tested 4-Slice Toaster by Montgomery Ward. Put through the paces by the experts, we guarantee that it will perform to the highest standard, time after time, with all the convenience, easy clean-up and durability you rely on from Wards.

Your new toaster makes it easy to keep the time-honored tradition of breakfast toast alive with dual, independent controls and adjustable browning levels. Extra-wide slots and extra-lift handles make English muffins, extra-wide bread and breakfast pastries a breeze!

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PLEASE SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

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Important Safeguards

PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USE

Basic safety precautions should always be followed when using your 4-Slice Toaster, especially when children are present.

CAUTION: Hot surfaces. This appliance generates heat and escaping steam during use. Proper precautions must be taken to prevent the risk of burns, fires or other injury to persons or damage to property.

1. A person who has not read and understood all operating, toasting and safety instructions is not qualified to operate this appliance. All users of this appliance must read and understand this instruction manual before operating or cleaning this appliance.
2. If this appliance falls or accidentally becomes immersed in water, unplug it from the wall outlet immediately. Do NOT reach into the water!
3. When using this appliance, provide adequate air space above and on all sides for air circulation. Do NOT operate this appliance while it is touching or near curtains, wall coverings, clothing, dishtowels or other flammable materials.
4. To reduce the risk of fire, do NOT leave this appliance unattended during use.
5. If this appliance begins to malfunction during use, immediately press the "CANCEL" button and unplug the cord. Do NOT use or attempt to repair a malfunctioning appliance.
6. The cord to this appliance should only be plugged into a 120V AC electrical wall outlet.
7. Use the toaster on a hard, flat surface. Do not place it near a flame or heat source or on a soft surface (such as carpet). Avoid placing it where it may tip over during use. Dropping the toaster could cause it to malfunction.

WARNING: ELECTRICAL SHOCK HAZARD. Never attempt to dislodge food inside the toaster while the toaster is plugged in. Doing so could cause an electrical shock hazard or a risk of fire.

CAUTION: This appliance is hot during operation and retains heat for some time after turning off. Always use oven mitts when handling hot material and allow metal parts to cool before cleaning. Do NOT place anything on top of the toaster while it is operating or while it is hot.

Important Safeguards (cont'd)

CAUTION:

- Do NOT toast fresh pastries with soft, butter frosting, as it will melt and drip inside the toaster and become very difficult to clean.
- Do NOT place buttered bread or wrapped food into the toaster.
- Do NOT toast torn or partial slices of bread, use whole slices only.

Polarized Plug

This appliance has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other). As a safety feature to reduce the risk of electrical shock, this plug is intended to fit a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully in the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Do not attempt to modify the plug in any way.

- The length of the cord used on this appliance was selected to reduce the hazards of becoming tangled in, or tripping over a longer cord.
- If a longer cord is necessary, an approved extension cord may be used. The electrical rating of the extension cord must be equal to or greater than the rating of the toaster. Care must be taken to arrange the extension cord so that it will not drape over the countertop or tabletop where it can be pulled on by children or accidentally tripped over.

Before Using for the First Time

1. Remove all packaging materials including those that may be inside the toasting slots or toasting level slots.
2. Wipe the exterior with a damp cloth. Dry thoroughly. Do NOT use abrasive cleaners.
3. Do NOT put the toaster, cord or plug in water.
4. Be sure both crumb trays are pushed all the way into the back of the toaster and the toasting levers are in the UP position.
5. Unwrap power cord from cord storage area on the underside of the toaster and plug into a 120V AC outlet.
6. Turn both of the browning selector knobs to "1" (the lightest setting).
7. Lower both of the toaster levers until they lock into place. Operate without bread once or twice to burn off any manufacturing residue. You may notice a light amount of smoke—this is normal and will stop as the heating elements continue to heat.

Cleaning & Care

NOTE: If the toaster is used daily, the crumb trays should be cleaned weekly.

1. Unplug the toaster and let cool.
2. Slide open crumb tray, discard crumbs and wipe tray with clean cloth. Replace crumb tray.
3. Wipe the outside of toaster with a damp cloth. Do NOT use abrasive cleaners that may scratch the surface of the toaster.

Tips & Troubleshooting

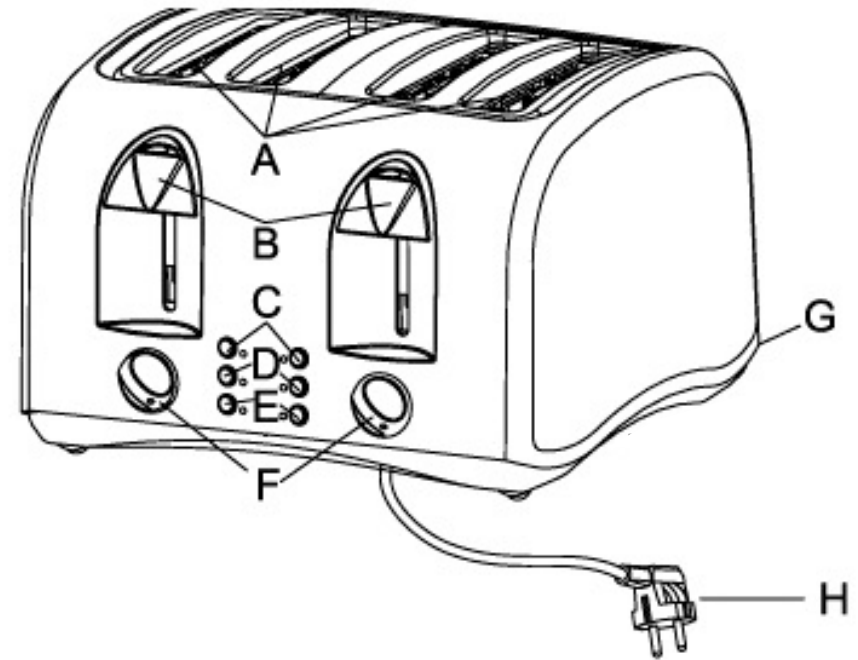
- Toasting is affected by the temperature of the bread. Room temperature bread may toast to a medium color on setting 3. The same type of bread that has been refrigerated may require setting 4, and if frozen, setting 5.
- Thick foods may become wedged in the toaster slot. If food becomes jammed, the toaster will automatically shut off at the end of the toasting cycle. Unplug the toaster and let cool. Use a wooden utensil to remove food.
- When toasting only one slice, the bread may be placed in either slot of the toaster. When toasting a single slice, you may notice variations in bread color from side to side.
- “Dark” (6) is the darkest shade of toast color. If a darker shade is desired, reset at setting 2 and watch closely as you toast for a second time.
- The toaster is designed for even brownness on both sides of the toast. The inner heating elements of the toaster will not be as radiant as the outer heating elements during toasting—this is normal and not a defect.

Automatic Centering Guides

Make sure either one or both of the toasting levers closes the centering guides and holds the bread or toaster food centrally in the toasting slots.

NOTE: The toasting lever(s) will not lock down unless the toaster is plugged into a 120V AC electrical outlet.

Parts & Features



- A. Toaster Slots
- B. Toasting Lever
- C. Cancel Button
- D. Reheat Button
- E. Defrost Button
- F. Browning Control
- G. Removable Crumb Tray
- H. Plug and Power Cord

1. Make sure both crumb trays are pushed all the way into the back of the toaster and the toasting levers are in the “UP” position.
2. Make sure no bread or other objects are inside the toasting slots. Place the toaster on a flat, level, heat-resistant surface.
3. Plug the cord into a 120V AC electrical outlet.
4. Position the browning selector knob(s) to desired setting(s). To test toasting times for browning, it is best to use both toasting slots. Position the browning selector knob between “3” and “4” medium, then adjust each subsequent toasting to your preference.
5. Remove all protective wrappings from food before placing into the toasting slot(s).
6. Insert bread or toaster food into the toasting slot(s). Lower the toasting lever(s) until locked into place. The automatic centering guides hold food upright for uniform side-to-side toasting. When the bread is lowered into position, toasting will begin.
 NOTE: The toasting lever(s) will not lock into position unless the toaster is plugged into a 120V AC electrical outlet.
 NOTE: When toasting a single slice, the bread may be placed in any toasting slot.
 NOTE: To prevent a fire hazard, never place bread over the opening of the toaster, always place bread into the slots.
 NOTE: Do NOT change the browning selector knob selection during the toasting cycle. First press the “CANCEL” button, then turn the browning selector knob to adjust the browning level. Lower the toasting lever(s) and toast until the desired toast color is achieved.
7. When the toast reaches the selected browning level, it will pop up automatically.
8. To interrupt toasting, press the corresponding “CANCEL” button(s).
9. Remove bread from toasting slot(s). Use care when removing bread as the bread and the top of the toaster will still be hot.
10. Firmly lift up on the toasting lever for additional lift when removing toast.
11. Unplug cord from wall outlet when not in use.
 IMPORTANT: Never use a fork or sharp-edged utensil to remove toast, because that may damage the heating element or cause injury.

WARNING: Failure to follow these instructions can result in injury or fire:

- Do NOT leave toaster unattended.
- Do NOT cook, warm or toast rice cakes, fried foods or non-bread items.
- Do NOT cover toaster or use near curtains, drapes, walls or under cabinets.
- Close supervision is necessary when used by or near children.
- NEVER cover toaster or toast slots during operation.
- Always unplug toaster when not in use.

Using REHEAT and DEFROST

Defrost:

AFTER the toasting cycle has started, press the DEFROST button. The DEFROST indicator light will come on and some additional time will be added to the cycle to thaw and then toast the item.

Reheat:

AFTER the toasting cycle has started, press the REHEAT button. The REHEAT indicator light will come on and the original toasting cycle will be canceled and replaced with a 30–50 second REHEAT cycle.

CAUTION: Never try to reheat any food product that has been spread with margarine, butter or any other spread.

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- Please adequately insure your item in case you need to make a claim with the carrier you choose for returning your item.
- Include your order number and reason for return.
- We recommend keeping the receipt for 4 weeks.



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Montgomery Ward, Inc. warrants this Chef Tested product to be free from defects in material and workmanship for one year from provable date of purchase.

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