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### **IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION**

### READ ALL SAFETY INFORMATION BEFORE USING

When using this dehumidifier, always follow basic safety precautions, including the following:

- This dehumidifier must be properly installed and grounded as described in this manual.
- Never operate this dehumidifier in an area that is likely to accumulate standing water. If this condition develops, for your safety disconnect the power supply before stepping into the water.
- **Repair or replace immediately all electric service cords** that have become frayed or otherwise damaged. Do not use a cord that shows cracks or abrasion damage along its length or at either the plug or connector end.

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

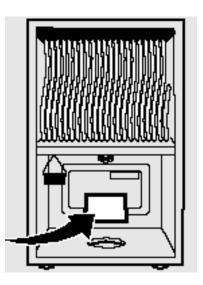
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**GE Appliances** 

### Welcome

Welcome to the GE family. We're proud of our quality products and we believe in dependable service. You'll see it in this easy-to-use manual and you'll hear it in the friendly voices of our customer service department. Best of all, you'll experience these values each time you enjoy the comfort of your dehumidifier. That's important, because your new dehumidifier will be part of your family for a long time.

## Start Here!...Before using your dehumidifier



*Write down the model and serial numbers here.* They are on a label in back of the dehumidifier behind the bucket. Staple your receipt to the inside back cover of this manual. You will need it to obtain service under warranty.

Model number

Serial number

Date of purchase

### Need Help?

Help us help you

## 800.626.2000

Before you call for service, there are a few things you can do to help us serve you better. *Read this manual.* It contains instructions to help you use and maintain your dehumidifier properly.

*Save time and money.* Check the section titled "If Something Goes Wrong" before calling. This section helps you to solve common problems that might occur.

If you do need service, you can relax knowing help is only a phone call away. A list of toll-free customer service numbers is included in the back of this book. Or call the GE Answer Center<sup>®</sup> at 800.626.2000, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

## **Operating Instructions**

## Electrical Safety

# Grounding

This dehumidifier must be grounded. Grounding reduces the risk of electric shock by providing an escape wire for the electric current. The power cord has a grounding wire with a grounding plug. Plug it into an outlet that is properly installed and grounded.

**A** *WARNING*—Improper use of the grounding plug can result in a risk of electric shock.

Call a qualified electrician if you don't understand the grounding instructions or if you are not sure if the dehumidifier is properly grounded.

If the wall outlet is not grounded, you are responsible for having it replaced with a properly grounded outlet.

Do not, under any circumstances, cut or remove the third (ground) prong from the power cord.

# Adapter Plug

Because most 2-prong outlets are not grounded, we strongly advise against using an adapter plug. However, a temporary connection may be made where local codes permit and if the 2-prong wall outlet is properly grounded.

Make sure the larger prong of the adapter goes into the larger slot to provide proper polarity.

#### FOR PROPER GROUNDING:

- 1 Screw the adapter to the outlet, using the outlet cover screw.
- 2 Ground the outlet through the house wiring.

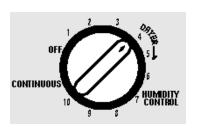
If the grounding connector breaks, **DO NOT USE** the dehumidifier until a proper ground has again been made.

### Extension Cord

Use only a UL-listed, 3-wire grounding type, 14 gauge, 15A, 125V appliance extension cord.

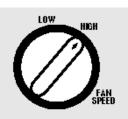
## The controls on your dehumidifier

### Humidity Control



When you first use the dehumidifier, turn the humidity control to the highest setting. At this setting, the unit will operate continuously. Keep it at this setting for three to four days. When the excess moisture and dampness odors are gone, adjust the control to a lower setting. Use the dehumidifier as long as excess moisture is present.

### Fan Speed (on some models)



The fan control adjusts the fan speed. Set the fan control to **HIGH** for maximum moisture removal. When the humidity has been reduced and quiet operation is preferred, set the fan control to **LOW**.

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## Features/Care & Cleaning

#### AUTO SHUT OFF

Shuts off the dehumidifier when the bucket is full.

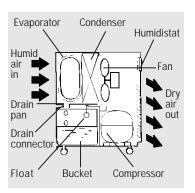
#### FULL BUCKET LIGHT

Glows when the bucket is full.

#### AUTO DEFROST

When frost builds up on the cooling coils, the compressor will cycle off until the frost disappears. The fan continues to run.

#### How It Works



Moist, humid air is drawn over a cold refrigerated dehumidifying coil. Moisture in the air condenses on this coil and drains into a bucket (or through a hose into a drain). Dry, clean air is drawn over the condenser where it is actually heated several degrees and discharged out the front grille into the room. It is normal for the surrounding air to become slightly warmer as the dehumidifier operates. This warming effect further reduces the relative humidity of the surrounding air.

#### How to Remove Water

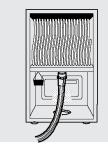
There are 3 ways to remove collected water.

1 Use the bucket.

Turn the control off before removing the bucket.

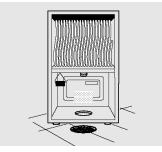
2 Use a hose.

Water can be automatically emptied into a floor drain by attaching a water hose to the connector. Remove the bucket to attach the hose.



#### 3 Use a floor drain.

The unit can also be placed over a floor drain. By removing the bucket, the water will drip directly through the hole in the base into the drain.



<b>Location</b>	<ul> <li>Place the dehumidifer in a location that does not restrict air flow into the rear coil or out the front grille.</li> <li>The dehumidifier must be operated in an enclosed area to be most effective. Close all doors, windows and other outside openings to the room.</li> </ul>	• A dehumidifier operating in a basement will have little or no effect in drying an adjacent enclosed storage area, such as a closet, unless there is adequate circulation of air in and out of the area.
Grille and Case	Turn the dehumidifier off and remove the plug from the wall outlet before cleaning.	<i>To clean the case:</i> Use water and a mild detergent. Do not use bleach or abrasives. <i>To clean the grille:</i> Use a vacuum attachment or brush.
Air Filter	The air filter is on the back of the dehumidifier. It should be checked and cleaned at least every 30 days or more often if necessary.	<i>To remove:</i> Flex the filter to release the tabs on one side. Wash it in warm soapy water. Rinse and let the filter dry before replacing it.
Inside the Unit	After removing the air filter, clean the coil on the inside with a soft brush when the soil is soft and wet. <b>DO NOT</b> allow water to enter the electrical/machine compartment through the circular opening behind the coil.	<i>DO NOT</i> spray the coil with a hose.

## If Something Goes Wrong

# Before You Call for Service

Problem	Possible Causes	What to Do
Dehumidifier Doesn't Start	The dehumidifier is unplugged	• Make sure the plug is pushed completely into the outlet.
	The fuse is blown/circuit breaker is tripped	• Check the house fuse/circuit breaker box and replace fuse or reset the breaker.
	Water has reached its preset level	• The dehumidifier automatically turns off when this occurs. Empty the bucket.
Dehumidifier Doesn't Dry the Air	Did not allow enough time to remove the moisture	• When first installed, allow at least 3 or 4 days to maintain the desired dryness.
	Airflow is restricted	• Make sure there are no curtains, blinds or furniture blocking the front or back of the dehumidifier.
	The control may not be set high enough	• Turn the knob to a higher number.
	Doors and windows may not be closed tightly	• Check that all doors, windows and other openings are securely closed.
	Clothes dryer may be blowing moisture-laden air into the room	• Install the dehumidifier away from the dryer. Dryer should be vented to the outside.
	Room temperature is too low	• The unit will not operate satisfactorily if the room temperature is below 65°F. (18°C).
Dehumidifier Runs Too Much	Area to be dehumidified is too large	• Check with your dealer to see if the capacity is adequate.
	Doors and windows are open	• Close all doors and windows to the outside.
Frost Appears on the Coils or Bucket	Dehumidifier has been recently turned on or room temperature is below 65°F.	• This is normal. Frost will usually disappear within 60 minutes.
Fan Noise	Air is moving through the dehumidifier	• This is normal.
Water on Floor	Connection may be loose	• Check the hose if one is attached.
6	Bucket not all the way in	• Push the bucket all the way in and make sure the float is hanging inside the bucket.

## GE Service Numbers

## We'll be there!



<i>GE Answer Center®</i> <i>800.626.2000</i>	Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.	
TDD 800-833-4322		
In-Home Repair Service 800-GE-CARES (800-432-2737)	We provide expert repair service, scheduled at a time that's convenient for you.	Our factory-trained technicians know your dehumidifier inside and out—so most repairs can be handled in just one visit.
Service Contracts 800-626-2224	With a service contract GE Consumer Service will still be there after your warranty expires.	With a multiple-year contract, you're assured of future service at today's prices.
Parts and Accessories 800-626-2002	Individuals qualified to service their own dehumidifier can have parts or accessories sent directly to their home. VISA, MasterCard and Discover cards are accepted.	Care and cleaning instructions con- tained in this manual cover proce- dures to be performed by any user. Other servicing generally should be referred to qualified service per- sonnel. Caution must be exercised, since improper servicing may cause unsafe operation.
<i>Further Service</i> If for some reason you are not happy with the service you receive, here are three steps to follow for further help.	<i>First</i> , contact the people who serviced your dehumidifier. Explain why you are not pleased. <i>Next</i> , if you are still not pleased, write all the details—including your phone number—to: Consumer Relations GE Appliances	<i>Finally</i> , if your problem is still not resolved, write: Major Appliance Consumer Action Program 20 North Wacker Drive Chicago, IL 60606 <b>7</b>

Louisville, KY 40225



Staple sales slip or cancelled check here. Proof of original purchase date is needed to obtain service under warranty.

	<b>LIMITED ONE-YEAR WARRANTY</b> For one year from date of original pur- chase, we will provide, free of charge, parts and service labor to repair or replace <i>any</i> <i>part of the dehumidifier</i> that fails because of a	This warranty is extended to the original purchaser and any succeeding owner for products purchased for use in the 48 mainland states, Alaska, Hawaii and
	manufacturing defect.	Washington, D.C.
	<b>LIMITED FIVE-YEAR WARRANTY</b> For five years from the date of original purchase, we will provide, free of charge, parts and service labor to repair or replace <i>any part of the sealed system</i> (the compressor, condenser, dehumidifying coil and all connecting tubing) that fails because of a manufacturing defect.	All warranty service will be provided by our Factory Service Centers or by our authorized Customer Care® servicers during normal working hours. Should your appliance need service, during warranty period or beyond, call 800-GE-CARES (800-432-2737).
	<i>For each of the above warranties :</i> To avoid any charges you must take the dehumidifier to a General Electric Factory Service Center or a General Electric Customer Care <sup>®</sup> servicer and pick it up following service. In-home service is also available, but you must pay for the service technician's travel costs to your home.	
What is Not Covered	<ul> <li>Service trips to your home to teach you how to use the product.</li> <li>Read your Owner's Manual. If you then have any questions about operating the product, please contact your dealer or our Consumer Affairs office at the address below, or call, toll free:</li> <li>GE Answer Center<sup>®</sup></li> <li>800.626.2000 consumer information service</li> <li>Improper installation.</li> <li>If you have an installation problem, contact your dealer or installer. You are responsible for providing adequate electrical, plumbing and other connect-</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Replacement of house fuses or resetting of circuit breakers.</li> <li>Failure of the product if it is used for other than its intended purpose or used commercially.</li> <li>Damage to product caused by improper power supply voltage, accident, fire, flood or acts of God.</li> </ul>
	ing facilities. WARRANTOR IS NOT RESPONSIBLE	E FOR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.

Warrantor: General Electric Company

If further help is needed concerning this warranty, write: Manager–Consumer Affairs, GE Appliances, Louisville, KY 40225

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