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# **UseAndCare**



**SELF-CLEANING ELECTRIC SLIDE-IN RANGE** 

**MODEL RS386PXB** 

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# A Note to You

# Thank you for buying a Whirlpool® appliance.

Because your life is getting busier and more complicated, Whirlpool ranges are easy to use, save time, and help you manage your home better. To ensure that you enjoy years of trouble-free operation, we developed this Use and Care Guide. It is full of valuable information about how to operate and maintain your appliance properly and safely. Please read it carefully.

Also, please complete and mail in the Ownership Registration Card provided with your appliance. The card helps us notify you about any new information on your appliance.

### Please record your model's information

Whenever you call our Consumer Assistance Center at 1-800-253-1301 or request service on your appliance, you need to know your complete model number and serial number. You can find this information on the model and serial number plate (see diagram on page 6 for location of plate).

Please also record the purchase date of your appliance and your dealer's name, address and telephone number.

Model Number _	
Serial Number _	
Purchase Date _	
Dealer Name	
Dealer Address	
Dealer Phone	

Keep this book and the sales slip together in a safe place for future reference.

Our Consumer Assistance Center number is toll-free 24 hours a day.

1-800-253-1301

# **Important Safety Instructions**

# Your safety is important to us.

This guide contains safety symbols and statements. Please pay special attention to these symbols and follow any instructions given. Here is a brief explanation of the use of the symbol.

### **AWARNING**

This symbol alerts you to such dangers as personal injury, burns, fire and electrical shock.

# **AWARNING**

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

### General

- Read all instructions before using the range.
- Install or locate the range only in accordance with the provided Installation Instructions. The range must be installed by a qualified installer. The range must be properly connected to electrical supply and grounded.
- Do not operate the range if it is damaged or not working properly.
- Do not use the range for warming or heating the room.
   Persons could be burned or injured, or a fire could start.
- Use the range only for its intended use as described in this manual.





- WARNING: 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, see "The anti-tip bracket" on page 24.
- CAUTION: Do not store things children might want above the range. Children could be burned or injured while climbing on it.
- 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 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, such as the oven vent

opening, the surface near the vent opening, the cooktop, and the oven door and window, could also become hot enough to cause burns.



- Do not wear loose or hanging garments when using the range. They could ignite if they touch a hot surface unit and you could be burned.
- Use only dry potholders. Moist or damp potholders on hot surfaces could result in burns from steam. Do not let potholder touch hot heating elements. Do not use a towel or bulky cloth for a potholder. It could catch on fire.
- Keep range vents unobstructed.
- Do not heat unopened containers. They could explode. The hot contents could cause burns and container particles could cause injury.
- Do not store flammable materials on or near the range. The fumes could create an explosion and/or fire hazard.

# When using the cooktop

 Do not cook on a broken cooktop. If cooktop should break, cleaning solutions and spillovers could penetrate the broken cooktop and create a risk of electrical shock. Contact a qualified technician immediately.

- 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 could result in the igniting of clothing or potholders. Correct pan size also improves cooking efficiency.
- Check to be sure glass cooking utensils are safe for use on the range. 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.
- Never leave surface units unattended at high heat settings. A boilover could result and cause smoking and greasy spillovers that could ignite.





 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.

# When using the oven

- Always position oven rack(s) in desired location while oven is cool. If a rack must be removed while oven is hot, do not let potholder contact hot heating element in oven.
- Use care when opening oven door. Let hot air or steam escape before removing or replacing food.

### Grease

 Grease is flammable. Do not allow grease to collect around cooktop or in vents. Wipe spillovers immediately.



 Do not use water on grease fires. Never pick up a flaming pan. Smother flaming pan on range by covering with a wellfitted 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.

# Care and cleaning

- Clean cooktop with care. Some cleaners could produce noxious fumes if applied to a hot surface. If a wet paper towel is used to wipe spills on a hot cooking area, be careful to avoid steam burns.
- Small amounts of formaldehyde and carbon monoxide are given off in the Self-Cleaning cycle from fiberglass insulation

and food decomposition.
Significant exposure to these substances could cause cancer or reproductive harm. Exposure can be minimized by venting with a hood or open window and wiping out excess food spills prior to self-cleaning.

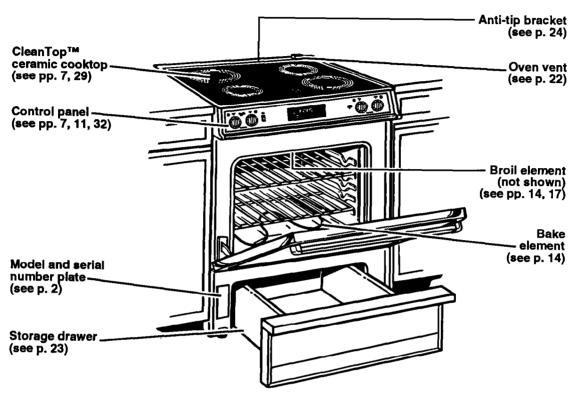


- Do not use oven cleaners. No commercial oven cleaner or oven liner protective coating of any kind should be used in or around any part of the oven.
- Before self-cleaning the oven, remove broiler pan, broiler grid, oven racks and other utensils.
   Do not use your oven to clean miscellaneous parts unless you are instructed to do so in this Use and Care Guide.
- Do not clean door heat 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 repair or replace any part of the range unless specifically recommended in this manual. All other servicing should be referred to a qualified technician.
- Disconnect the electrical supply before servicing the range.

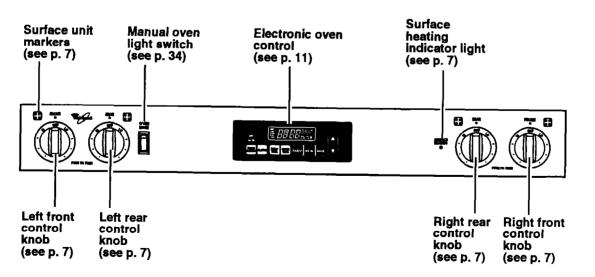
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# **Parts and Features**

This section contains captioned illustrations of your range. Use them to become familiar with the location and appearance of all parts and features.



# **Control panel**



# **Using Your Range**

To obtain the best cooking results possible, you must operate your range properly. This section gives you important information for efficient and safe use of your range.

# Using the surface units

Push in control knobs before turning them to a setting. You can set them 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 heating indicator light

The SURFACE HEATING Indicator Light on the control panel will glow when a surface unit is turned on.

# Hot surface indicator lights

The Hot Surface Indicator Lights on the cooktop surface will glow when the surface units are turned on. The Indicator Lights will continue to glow as long as the surface units are too hot to touch, even after they are turned off.

# **AWARNING**

### **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 chart at right as a guide. For best results, start cooking at the high setting; then turn the control knob down to continue cooking.





SETTING	RECOMMENDED USE
HI	<ul><li>To start foods cooking.</li><li>To bring liquids to a boil.</li></ul>
Medium-high	<ul><li>To hold a rapid boil.</li><li>To fry chicken or pancakes.</li></ul>
Medium (opposite OFF)	<ul> <li>For gravy, pudding and icing.</li> <li>To cook large amounts of vegetables.</li> </ul>
Medium-low	<ul> <li>To keep food cooking after starting it on a higher setting.</li> </ul>
LO	To keep food warm until ready to serve.

# Using the ceramic glass cooktop

Cooking on the ceramic glass cooktop is almost the same as cooking on coil surface units. There are, however, a few differences:

- The surface unit will glow red when it is turned on. You will see the element cycling on (glowing red) and off – even on HIGH setting – to maintain the proper temperature setting you have selected.
- Sliding metal pans on ceramic glass cooktop surface could leave marks. Wiping off the cooktop before and after each use will help keep the surface free from stains and provide the most even heating. See pages 30 and 31 for care and cleaning suggestions.

### Cookware tips

- Select a pan that is about the same size as the surface unit.
- NOTE: For best results and greater energy efficiency, use only flat-bottomed cookware that makes good contact with the surface units. Cookware with rounded, warped, ribbed (such as some porcelain enamelware) or dented bottoms could cause uneven heating and poor cooking results.

You can, however, use the newer cookware available with slightly indented bottoms or very small expansion channels. This cookware is specially designed to provide the good contact needed for best cooking results.

Also, woks, canners and teakettles with flat bottoms suitable for use on your cooktop are now available in most stores that sell housewares.

- **The pan** should have straight sides and a tight-fitting lid.
- Choose medium to heavy gauge (thickness) pans that are fairly lightweight.

- The pan material (metal or glass) affects how fast heat transfers from the surface unit through the pan material and how evenly heat spreads over the pan bottom. Choose pans that provide the best cooking results.
- Handles should be made of sturdy, heatresistant material and be securely attached to the pan.
- With your hand, feel the bottom of your pans while they are cool for nicks and scratches. Nicks and scratches on pan bottoms will scratch the ceramic glass cooktop.
- Make sure bottoms of pans are clean and dry before using on cooktop.
- Avoid spillovers on cooktop. Use pans with tall sides.
- Do not cook food directly on cooktop.

# **ACAUTION**

### **Product Damage Hazard**

Do not leave an empty utensil, or one which has boiled dry, on a hot surface unit

The utensil could overheat and could damage the utensil or surface unit.

### Home canning information

- Use the largest surface unit for best results. Also, use a canner/pan which can be centered over the surface unit.
- Start with hot water. This reduces the time the control is set on high. Reduce heat setting to lowest position needed to keep water boiling.
- Refer to your canner manual for specific instructions.

# Positioning racks and pans

For baking/roasting with one rack, place the rack so the top of the food will be centered in the oven.

### Rack placement for specific foods:

FOOD	RACK POSITION
Frozen pies, large roasts, turkeys	Lowest level or 2nd level from bottom
Angel and bundt cakes, most quick breads, yeast breads, casseroles, meats	2nd level from bottom
Cookies, biscuits, muffins, cakes, nonfrozen pies	2nd or 3rd level from bottom

When baking on two racks, arrange racks on bottom and third level from bottom.

**NOTE:** For recommended rack placement when broiling, see "Broiling rack position chart" on page 17.

### To remove racks:

- 1. Pull rack toward you.
- 2. Tilt up front end.
- 3. Pull rack out.

# To replace racks:

- 1. Place rack on rack guides.
- 2. Tilt up front end.
- 3. Push rack in until it clears the stop.
- **4. Lower** front and **push** rack in the rest of the way.

# **AWARNING**

### Personal Injury Hazard

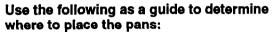
- Always position oven rack(s) in desired location before turning oven on. Be sure the rack(s) is level.
- If rack(s) must be moved while oven is hot, use potholders or oven mitts to protect hands.

Failure to follow the above precautions could result in personal injury.

# For best air circulation

Hot air must circulate around the pans in the oven for even heat to reach all parts of the oven. This results in better baking.

- Place the pans so that one is not directly over the other.
- For best results, allow 1½ to 2 inches (4-5 cm) of space around each pan and between pans and oven walls. There must be a minimum space of 1 inch (2.5 cm).
- Use only one cookie sheet in the oven at one time.



### One pan

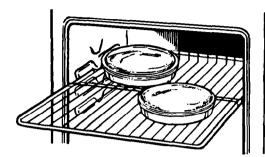
Place in the center of the oven rack.

### Two pans

Place in opposite corners of the oven rack.

### Three or four pans

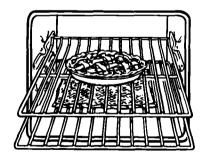
Place in opposite corners on each oven rack. Stagger pans so no pan is directly over another.



# **Using aluminum foil for baking**

Use aluminum foil to catch spillovers from pies or casseroles:

- Place the foil on the oven rack below the rack with the food. Turn up foil edges and make sure foil is about 1 inch (3 cm) larger all around than the dish holding the food.
- Do not cover the entire rack with aluminum foil. It will reduce air circulation and cause poor cooking results.
- Do not line oven bottom or entire oven rack with foil or other liners. Poor baking will result.



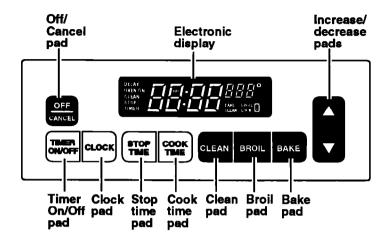
# **AWARNING**

### **Electrical Shock and Fire Hazard**

Do not allow foil to touch the heating elements.

Failure to follow this precaution could result in electrical shock or fire hazard and damage to the elements.

# The electronic oven control



# Display/clock

- When you first plug in the range, a time
  of day and "PF" will appear in the temperature display. If, after you set the clock
  (page 12), "PF" again appears on the
  display, your electricity was off for a while.
  Reset the clock.
- When you are using the oven or Minute Timer, the display will show times, temperature settings and what command pads have been pressed.
- When showing the time of day, the display will show the hour and minutes.
- When you are using the Minute Timer, the display will show minutes and seconds in the following sequence:
- For settings under one minute, the display will count down each second.
- For settings from 1-10 minutes, the display will count down minutes and seconds.
- When you are using Cook Time and/or Stop Time, the display will show hours and minutes.

# Command pads

The command pads tell the oven what to do and in what order. A few examples:

- Clock tells the oven you are going to set the clock.
- -Off/Cancel tells the oven to turn off.
- Increase/Decrease pads change time or temperature. Press them briefly to change time or temperature by a small amount. Press and hold to change by a larger amount.

# **Setting the clock**

The clock must be set for the automatic oven timing functions to work properly.

1. Press the Clock pad.

CLOCK

 Use the Increase/Decrease pads to set the time of day. Press the "up" (▲) or "down" (▼) pad until the correct time shows on the display.



3. Press the Clock pad.

### **NOTES:**

- You cannot change time of day during a Time Bake or Self-Cleaning cycle.
- You can see current time of day while another function is running by pressing the Clock pad.



# **Using the electronic 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 up to 9 hours, 55 minutes.

1. Press the Timer On/Off pad.



Use the Increase/Decrease pads to set the desired time. Press the "up" (▲) or "down" (▼) pad until the correct time shows on the display. The Minute Timer will start automatically within a few seconds after you release the pad.



After the countdown is over, three short tones will sound, followed by one tone that sounds every six seconds until you press any other command pad.

### To reset the Minute Timer:

Repeat Steps 1 and 2 on page 12.

### To cancel the Minute Timer:

Press Timer On/Off pad until TIMER stops flashing on the display (about 4 seconds).



# **Using the Off/Cancel pad**

The Off/Cancel pad will cancel any function except for the Clock and Timer functions. When you press the Off/Cancel pad, the display will show the time of day or, if Minute Timer is also being used, the time remaining.



# **Audible signals**

Audible signals tell you if a function is entered correctly or not. They also tell you when a cycle is completed.

# To shut off repeating end-of-timer countdown signal:

- Press and hold the Off/Cancel pad for 10 seconds.
- 2. A short tone will sound to tell you the signal has been changed.

Repeat the above steps to turn the signal back on.

# **Baking/roasting**

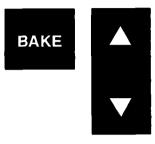
- Position the rack(s) properly before turning on the oven. For further information, see "Positioning racks and pans" on page 9.
- Press the Bake pad. The last oven temperature to be set appears on the display.
- 3. To cook at a different temperature, use the Increase/Decrease pad(s). Press ▲ to raise the temperature or ▼ to lower the temperature. Use these pads until the desired temperature shows on the small display.
- 4. When the oven starts to heat, ON and the changing temperature (starting at 100°F) will be displayed. When the oven reaches the set temperature, a tone will sound.

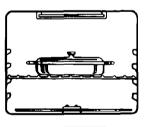
**NOTE:** You can change the temperature setting any time during the Bake cycle by repeating Steps 2 and 3 above.

- When baking, preheat the oven. (Preheating is not needed when roasting.) The oven is preheated when you hear a one-second tone.
- Put food in the oven. During baking/roasting, the elements will turn on and off to keep the oven temperature at the setting.

**NOTE:** The top element helps heat during baking/roasting, but does not turn red.

7. When baking/roasting is done, press the Off/Cancel pad. The time of day will show on the display and all other displays will go off.







# Adjusting the oven temperature control

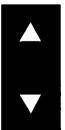
Oven temperature controls will gradually shift after years of use. So, even though your new oven is properly adjusted to provide accurate temperatures, it may cook faster or slower than your old oven.

If, after using the oven for a period of time, you are not satisfied with the temperature settings, you can adjust them by following these steps:

1. Press the Bake pad.

2. Select an oven temperature between 500°F and 550°F.

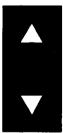
BAKE





- Before BAKE stops flashing, press and hold the Bake pad for about 4 seconds until the red display changes to the oven adjustment display.
- 4. To adjust the temperature, use the Increase/Decrease pad(s). Press ▲ to raise the temperature or ▼ to lower the temperature. You can set the temperature change as much as -35°F cooler or +35°F hotter.
- After making the desired adjustment, press the Off/Cancel pad to enter the new offset temperature.

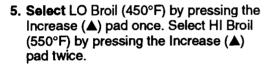






# **Broiling**

- Position the rack before turning the oven on. See "Broiling rack position chart" on page 17.
- 2. Put the broiler pan and food on the rack.
- Close the door to the Broil Stop position (open about 4 inches [10 cm]). The door will stay open by itself.
- 4. Press the Broil pad.



**NOTE:** You can change the temperature setting any time during the Broil cycle by repeating Steps 4 and 5 above.

6. When broiling is done, press the Off/ Cancel pad. The time of day will show on the display and all other displays will go off. Serve food immediately and leave the broiler pan outside oven to cool during the meal for easiest cleaning.

### To broil at a lower temperature:

- If food is cooking too fast or you want to broil slower from the start, press the Broil pad and press the Decrease pad once.
   This temperature setting allows the broil heating element to cycle and provides slow cooking.
- Fish and chicken are some foods that may cook better if you use lower broiling temperatures.

**NOTE:** Leave the oven door partly open whenever using the oven to broil. This allows the oven to maintain proper temperatures.





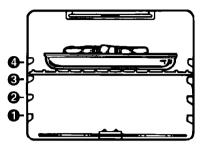






# **Broiling rack position chart**

RACK POSITION FROM BOTTOM	TYPE OF FOOD/ DONENESS
4	Hamburger patties and thin steaks, ½" thick or less
3	Quickly searing food, rare and medium steaks, medium patties, ham slices, fish steaks, frankfurters
2	Well-done steaks and patties, lamb chops, split chicken, pork steaks and chops, whole fish
1	Not used for broiling



# **Broiling tips**

- Use the broiler pan and grid for broiling.
   They are designed to drain excess liquid and grease away from the cooking surface to help prevent spatter, smoke or fire.
- After broiling, remove the broiler pan from the oven when you remove the food.
   Drippings will bake on the pan if you leave it in the heated oven.

# **AWARNING**

### Fire Hazard

- Place meat the correct distance from the element. Meat placed too close to the element could spatter, smoke, burn or catch fire during broiling.
- To ensure adequate grease drainage, do not use cookie sheets or similar pans for broiling. Also, covering the broiler grid with foil is not recommended. Poor drainage of grease could result in fire. If foil is used, cut slits in foil to line up with all openings in broiler grid. Grease can then drain away and cool in pan.

# **Energy saving tips**

Although the energy used for cooking is usually a very small percentage of the total energy used in the home, cooking energy can be used efficiently. Here are some tips to help you save energy when using your cooking product:

- Use pans with flat bottoms, straight sides and tight-fitting lids.
- Match the pan to the surface unit size.
- Cook with a minimum of liquid or grease to help shorten cooking time.
- **Preheat** pans only when recommended and for the shortest time possible.
- Start food on higher heat settings, then set surface unit control on low or off to finish cooking. Use retained heat for cooking when possible.
- Use the more efficient surface units instead of the oven when possible.

- Turn on the surface unit only after placing filled pan on the unit.
- "Oven peeking" may cause heat loss, longer cooking times and unsatisfactory baking results. Rely on your timer to keep track of the cooking time.
- Bake cakes, pies or cookies when oven is warm. Best time to bake is right after a meal has been cooked in the oven.
- Preheat the oven no longer than necessary.
- Plan your meals for the most efficient use of the range. When using the oven to cook one food, try to cook the rest of the meal in it also
- Do not preheat when broiling, roasting or cooking items such as casseroles.

# Using the electronic MEALTIMER™ control

The electronic MEALTIMER control is designed to turn the oven on and off at times you set, even when you are not around.

Delayed time baking/roasting is ideal for foods which do not require a preheated oven, such as meats and casseroles. Do not use delayed time cooking for cakes, cookies, etc. – undercooking will result.

Before using the electronic MEALTIMER control, make sure the clock is set to the correct time of day. (See "Setting the clock" on page 12.)

# To start baking/roasting now and stop automatically:

1. Position the oven rack(s) properly and put food in the oven.

2. Press the Cook Time pad.

COOK TIME

3. Press the Increase pad until the desired baking/roasting time shows on the display.

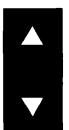


 Press the Bake pad. The last oven temperature to be set appears on the display.

BAKE

**NOTE:** If this step is not done, a tone will sound.

Press Increase or Decrease pad until the desired temperature shows on the display.



6. When the oven starts to heat, ON and the changing temperature (starting at 100°F) will be displayed. When the oven reaches the set temperature, a tone will sound.

**NOTE:** You can change the temperature setting any time during the Bake cycle by repeating Steps 4 and 5 above.

7. Remove food from the oven.

**NOTE:** Even though oven shuts off automatically, food continues cooking after controls are off.

# To delay start and stop automatically:

- 1. Position the oven rack(s) properly and put food in the oven.
- 2. Press the Cook Time pad.
- 3. Press the Increase pad until the desired baking/roasting time shows on the display.

4. Press the Stop Time pad. The time displayed will be the time of day plus the cook time. For example, if the current time of day is 2:00 and the cook time is three hours, the display will show 5:00.

5. Press the Increase pad to set the stop time. If you have set a 7:00 stop time and a three-hour cook time, the oven will turn on at 4:00.







(example for 3 hours)





(example for 5:00 stop time, before stop time is set)





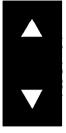
(example for 7:00 stop time)

Press the Bake pad. The last oven temperature to be set appears on the display.

**NOTE:** If this step is not done, a tone will sound.

 Press Increase or Decrease pad until the desired temperature shows on the display.





8. At the set start time (4:00 in example above), the oven will turn on automatically. When the oven starts to heat, ON and the changing temperature (starting at 100°F) will be displayed. When the oven reaches the set temperature, a tone will sound. The oven will continue to cook for the programmed 3 hours and shut off automatically at 7:00.

**NOTE:** You can change the temperature setting any time during the Bake cycle by repeating Steps 6 and 7 above.

9. Remove food from the oven.

NOTE: Even though oven shuts off automatically, foods continue cooking after controls are off. The low temperature zone of this range (between 150°F and 200°F) keeps hot, cooked foods warm. (See warning on next page.)

# To cancel the MEALTIMER™ control setting:

• **Press** Off/Cancel pad to return the display to the time of the day.



# **AWARNING**

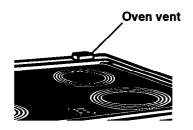
# To avoid sickness and food waste when using the MEALTIMER™ control:

- Do not let most UNFROZEN food stand for more than two hours before cooking starts.
- Do not allow food to remain in oven for more than two hours after the end of cooking cycle.

NOTE: Do not use foods that will spoil while waiting for cooking to start. Such foods are: dishes with milk or eggs, cream soups and cooked meats or fish. Also, foods containing baking powder or yeast will not rise properly when cooked using delay start.

# The oven vent

Hot air and moisture escape from the oven through a vent located at the back of the cooktop. The vent is needed for air circulation. **Do not block the vent**. Poor baking/ roasting can result.

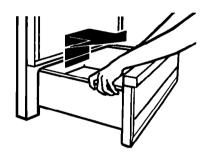


# The storage drawer

You can remove the storage drawer to make it easier to clean under the range. Use care when handling the drawer.

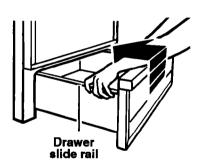
### Removing the storage drawer:

- Empty drawer before removing. 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.
- 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.



# The anti-tip bracket

The range will not tip during normal use. However, tipping can occur if you apply too much force or weight to the open door without the anti-tip bracket properly secured.



# **AWARNING**

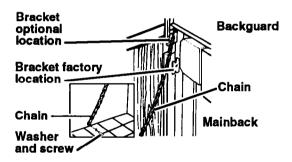
### Personal Injury Hazard

- To reduce risk of range tipping over, secure range with a properly installed anti-tip bracket supplied with range.
- If range is moved for cleaning or service, check that anti-tip device is engaged before using range.

Failure to follow the above precautions could result in personal injury.

# To verify the anti-tip bracket is engaged:

- Grasp rear of range and carefully try to tilt forward. If anti-tip bracket is attached to floor or wall correctly, range should not tilt forward.
- See Installation Instructions for further details.



# Using the Self-Cleaning Cycle

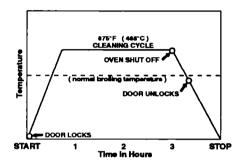
The Self-Cleaning cycle saves you from the toil and mess that often come with hand-cleaning the oven interior. Like with the other functions of your oven, you operate the Self-Cleaning cycle with the easy-to-use electronic control. Please review the instructions in this section to keep your oven spotless.

# How the cycle works

The Self-Cleaning cycle uses very high heat to burn away soil and grease. During the cycle, the oven gets much hotter than it does for normal baking or broiling. This high heat breaks up the soil or grease and burns it away.

Your oven is preset for a 3-hour Self-Cleaning cycle. However, you can adjust the cycle time to the amount of soil in your oven. You can set the cycle anywhere between 2 and 4 hours. (See "Setting the controls" on page 26.)

The graph at the right is representative of a normal, 3-hour Self-Cleaning cycle. Note that the heating stops when the 3-hour setting is up, but it takes longer for the oven to cool enough to unlock.

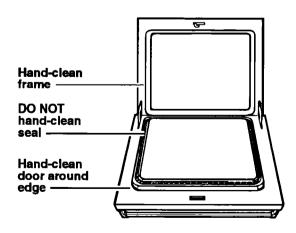


# **Before you start**

Before you start the Self-Cleaning cycle, make sure you:

 Hand-clean the areas shown. They do not get hot enough during the cleaning cycle for soil to burn away. Use hot water and detergent or a soapy steel-wool pad for cleaning.

**NOTE:** DO NOT clean, move or bend the seal. Poor cleaning, baking and roasting may result.



### USING THE SELF-CLEANING CYCLE

- Remove any pots and pans being stored in the oven.
  - NOTE: You can clean the broiler pan and grid in the oven if you have first removed most of the soil by hand-cleaning or in a dishwasher. If most of the soil is not removed, too much smoking will occur.
- Wipe out any loose soll or grease. This will help reduce smoke during the cleaning cycle.
- Remove the oven racks from the oven if you want them to remain shiny. You can clean the oven racks in the Self-Cleaning cycle, but they will become harder to slide. (See page 33.) If you clean racks in the Self-Cleaning cycle, place them on the 2nd and 4th rack guides. (Guides are counted from bottom to top.)
- Heat and odors are normal during the Self-Cleaning cycle. Keep the kitchen well ventilated by opening a window or by turning on a vent hood or other kitchen vent during the cycle.

### WARNING

### 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 could produce hazardous fumes or damage the porcelain finish.
- Do not leave any foil in the oven during the Self-Cleaning cycle. Foil could burn or melt and damage the oven surface.

### NOTES:

- 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.
- Leave oven light off during the Self-Cleaning cycle to prolong bulb life.

# **Setting the controls**

Make sure the clock is set to the correct time of day. (See "Setting the clock" on page 12.)

# To start the Self-Cleaning cycle now:

- Press the Clean pad. A 3-hour Self-Cleaning cycle will automatically be set.
- If you want to set another cleaning time, press the Increase or Decrease pad until the desired cleaning time shows on the display. You can set the cleaning time anywhere between 2 and 4 hours.
  - Use 2 hours for light soil.
  - Use 3-4 hours for moderate to heavy soil.
- The Self-Cleaning cycle will begin automatically within a few seconds and ON will appear on the display.



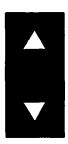


# To delay the start of Self-Cleaning cycle:

- Press the Clean pad. A 3-hour Self-Cleaning cycle will automatically be set.
- 2. If you want to set another cleaning time, press the Increase or Decrease pad until the desired cleaning time shows on the display. You can set the cleaning time anywhere between 2 and 4 hours.
  - Use 2 hours for light soil.
  - **Use** 3-4 hours for moderate to heavy soil.
- Press the Stop Time pad. The time displayed will be the time of day plus the cleaning time. For example, if the current time of day is 7:00 and the cleaning time is three hours, the display will show 10:00.

4. Press the Increase pad to set the stop time. If you have set a 12:00 stop time and a three-hour cleaning time, the oven will turn on at 9:00.









(example for 10:00 stop time, before stop time is set)



(example for 12:00 stop time)

# USING THE SELF-CLEANING CYCLE

### When the oven locks:

LOCK will be displayed and the door will be locked in position. You cannot open the oven door until the temperature drops below the lock temperature.

# When the Self-Cleaning cycle is completed:

CLEAN goes out on the display and the oven will start cooling.

# When the oven reaches normal baking/roasting temperatures:

LOCK goes out on the display and the door can be opened.

# To stop the Self-Cleaning cycle at any time:

Press the Off/Cancel pad.



# Special tips

- Keep the kitchen well ventilated during the Self-Cleaning cycle to help get rid of heat, odors and smoke.
- After the oven is cool, wipe up any residue or ash with a damp cloth or sponge. If any spots remain, clean with a mild abrasive cleanser or cleaning sponge.
- 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 does not 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 25.

# **Caring for Your Range**

Your range is designed for easy care. You can do most cleaning with items found around your home. Cleaning your range whenever spills or soiling occurs will help to keep it looking and operating like new.

# **AWARNING**

### **Burn and Electrical Shock Hazard**

Make sure all controls are off and the range is cool before cleaning.

Failure to do so could result in burns or electrical shock.

# Cleaning the cooktop

This cooktop is designed for easy care. However, ceramic cooktops need to be maintained differently than standard electric open-coil elements. Foods spilled directly on the cooktop will not burn off as on open-coil elements. Because of this, the surface should be dust-free and soil-free before heating.

Your cooktop has been prepolished at the factory for improved protection and cleanability. The Cooktop Polishing Creme (included with your range), paper towels or a sponge, and the razor scraper included with your range is all you need to clean your cooktop. For proper cleaning methods, please review "Cleaning tips" on page 30. Follow them after each use to ensure top performance and to preserve that uniquely elegant look.



### **AWARNING**

### **Personal Injury Hazard**

- When removing heavy or sugary spills from the hot cooktop, wear oven mitts to prevent burns.
- Do not use cooktop cleaner on a hot cooktop. The cleaner could produce hazardous fumes or damage the cooktop.
- Do not use the range if the cooktop is cracked or broken.

Failure to follow these instructions could result in personal injury.

# To avoid damaging the cooktop, follow these instructions:

- Remove sugary spills before cooktop cools to prevent pitting.
- Do not use the cooktop as a cutting board.
- Do not allow anything that may melt (such as plastic or aluminum foil) to come in contact with the surface while it is hot.
- Do not use the ceramic cooktop to cook popcom that comes in prepackaged aluminum containers. The container could leave aluminum marks on the cooktop that cannot be removed completely.
- Do not use steel wool, plastic cleaning pads, abrasive powdered cleansers, chlorine bleach, rust remover, ammonia or glass cleaning products with ammonia. These could damage the cooktop surface.
- Dropping heavy or hard objects on the cooktop could crack it. Be careful with heavy skillets. Do not store jars or cans above the cooktop.

# Cleaning tips

### What to use:

- Cooktop Polishing Creme (included with your range) with paper towel or clean, damp sponge —This creme has been developed especially for cleaning and protecting your cooktop. When using, follow instructions on container.
- Razor scraper (included with your range) –Use to remove cooked-on soils from your ceramic cooktop. Razor blades will not scratch your cooktop. Store razor blades out of reach of children.

**NOTE:** For more information on using the razor scraper, see back of scraper package.

### Steps to follow:

- Most spills can be wiped off easily using a paper towel or clean, damp sponge as soon as Hot Surface Indicator Light(s) go off.
- 2. Rub Cooktop Polishing Creme into cooked-on soil using a paper towel. If some soil remains, leave some creme on the spot(s) and follow Step 3.
- **3. Carefully scrape** spots with the razor scraper.
- Finish by polishing entire cooktop with Cooktop Polishing Creme and a paper towel.

### **Additional tips:**

- Sugar spills and soils (such as jellies and candy syrups) can cause pitting on the cooktop if not removed while the ceramic surface is still warm. Remove as soon as possible after the spill occurs.
- Remove dark streaks, specks and discoloration with Cooktop Polishing Creme
- Remove metal marks (from copper or aluminum pans) with Cooktop Polishing Creme before heating the cooktop again. If heated before cleaning, metal marks may not come off.
- Tiny scratches or abrasions do not affect cooking. In time, these will become less visible as a result of cleaning. To prevent scratches and abrasions, use Cooktop Polishing Creme regularly.
- Nonabrasive cleanser with damp paper towel or sponge can be used as an alternative method for removing cooked-on soils. Always rinse and dry your cooktop thoroughly after using cleanser to prevent streaking or staining.

To obtain order information for Cooktop Polishing Creme (Part No. 3184477) or razor scraper (Part No. 3183488), write to:

Whirlpool Corporation Attention: Customer Service Dept. 1900 Whirlpool Drive LaPorte, IN 46350

OR

Call 1-800-253-1301 to order. You must have a major credit card to order by phone.

# **Cleaning other range parts**

Use the following table to help you clean the other parts of your range.

PART	WHAT TO USE	HOW TO CLEAN
Control knobs	Sponge and warm, soapy water	<ul> <li>Turn knobs to OFF and pull straight away from control panel.</li> <li>Wash, rinse and dry thoroughly. Do not soak.</li> <li>Do not use steel wool or abrasive cleansers. They may damage the finish of the knobs.</li> <li>Replace knobs. Make sure all knobs point to OFF.</li> </ul>
Control panel	Sponge and warm, soapy water OR Paper towel and spray glass cleaner	<ul> <li>Wash, rinse and dry thoroughly.</li> <li>Do not use steel wool or abrasive cleansers. They may damage the finish.</li> <li>Do not spray cleaner directly on panel. Apply cleaner to paper towel.</li> <li>NOTE: Make sure you have not turned the oven on when cleaning panel. If you have, push the Off/Cancel pad.</li> </ul>
Exterior surfaces (other than cooktop and control panel)	Sponge and warm, soapy water	<ul> <li>Wash, rinse and dry thoroughly.</li> <li>Use nonabrasive, plastic scrubbing pad on heavily soiled areas.</li> <li>Do not use abrasive or harsh cleansers. They may damage the finish.</li> </ul>

# CARING FOR YOUR RANGE

PART	WHAT TO USE	HOW TO CLEAN
Broiler pan and grid (clean after each use)	Steel-wool pad and warm, soapy water	<ul> <li>Wash, rinse and dry thoroughly.</li> <li>Do not clean in Self-Cleaning cycle. (See note on page 26.)</li> </ul>
Oven racks	Steel-wool pad and warm, soapy water OR The Self-Cleaning cycle	Wash, rinse and dry thoroughly.  OR     Leave in oven during Self-Cleaning cycle.  NOTE: Racks will permanently discolor and become harder to slide if left in oven during Self-Cleaning cycle. Apply a small amount of vegetable oil to the side rungs to aid sliding.
Oven door glass	Paper towel and spray glass cleaner OR Warm, soapy water and a nonabrasive, plastic scrubbing pad	<ul> <li>Make sure oven is cool.</li> <li>Follow directions provided with the cleaner.</li> <li>Wash, rinse and dry thoroughly.</li> </ul>
Oven cavity	Self-Cleaning cycle	See "Using the Self-Cleaning Cycle" on pages 25-28.

# The oven light

**To turn the light on,** use the Oven Light Switch on the control panel.

# **AWARNING**

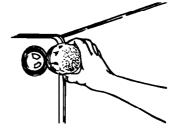
### Electrical Shock and Personal Injury Hazard

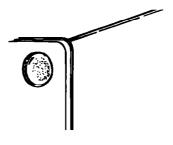
- Make sure oven and light bulb are cool and power to the range has been turned off before replacing the light bulb. Failure to do so could result in electrical shock or burns.
- The bulb cover must be in place when using the oven. The cover protects the bulb from breaking, and from high oven temperatures.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

### To replace the oven light:

- 1. Disconnect appliance at the main power supply.
- Remove the glass bulb cover in the back of the oven by screwing it out counterclockwise.
- 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. **Reconnect** appliance at the main power supply.

**NOTE:** To prolong bulb life, leave the oven light off during the Self-Cleaning cycle.





# If You Need Assistance or Service

This section is designed to help you save the cost of a service call. Part 1 of this section outlines possible problems, their causes, and actions you can take to solve each problem. Parts 2 and 3 tell you what to do if you still need assistance or service. When calling our Consumer Assistance Center for help or calling for service, please provide a detailed description of the problem, your appliance's complete model and serial numbers and the purchase date. (See page 2.) This information will help us respond properly to your request.

# 1. Before calling for assistance ...

Performance problems often result from little things you can find and fix without tools of any kind. Please check the chart below for problems you can fix. It could save you the cost of a service call.

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SOLUTION
Nothing will operate	The unit is not wired into a live circuit with proper voltage.	Wire the unit into a live circuit with proper voltage. (See Installation Instructions.)
	A household fuse has blown or a circuit breaker has tripped.	Replace household fuse or reset circuit breaker.
The oven will not operate	You have not set the electronic control correctly.	Refer to pages 11-22 for setting the electronic control.
	You have programmed a delayed start time.	Wait for the start time to be reached.
The surface units will not operate	A household fuse has blown or a circuit breaker has tripped.	Replace household fuse or reset circuit breaker.
	You are not setting the control knobs correctly.	Push control knobs in before turning to a setting.
Control knob(s) will not turn	You are not pushing in before turning.	Push control knob(s) in before turning to a setting.
The Self- Cleaning cycle	The range clock does not show the correct time of day.	Reset clock to show the correct time of day. (See page 12.)
will not operate	You have programmed a delayed start time.	Wait for the start time to be reached.

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# IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE OR SERVICE

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SOLUTION
Cooking results are not	The range is not level.	Level range. (See Installation Instructions.)
what you expected	The oven temperature seems too low or too high.	Adjusting the oven temperature control. (See "Adjusting the oven temperature control" on page 15.)
	You have not preheated the oven as the recipe calls for.	Preheat oven when called for in recipe.
	The recipe has never been tested or is not from a reliable source.	Use only tested recipes from a reliable source.
	The pan used is not the type or size recommended in the recipe.	Refer to a reliable cookbook for recommended pan type and size.
	There is not proper air circulation around pan when baking.	Allow 1½ to 2 inches (4-5 cm) of air space on all sides of pan. There must be a minimum space of 1 inch (2.5 cm).
	Cooking utensil does not fit the surface unit being used.	Pan should be the same size or slightly larger than surface unit being used.
The display shows "PF"	There has been a power failure.	Reset the clock. (See page 12.)
"F-" shows on the display		Call for service. (See Step 3 on page 37.)

# 2. If you need assistance ...

### Call Whirlpool Consumer Assistance Center telephone number. Dial toll-free from anywhere in the U.S.A. 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. William Clark
Consumer Assistance Representative
Whirlpool Corporation
2000 N State Route 63
Benton Harbor, MI 49022-2692

Please include a daytime phone number in your correspondence.

# 3. If you need service ...



Whirlpool has a nationwide network of authorized Whirlpool® 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 Consumer Assistance Center telephone number (see Step 2) or look in your telephone directory Yellow Pages under:

- APPLIANCE-HOUSEHOLD-MAJOR, SERVICE & REPAIR
- See: Whiripool Appliances or Authorized Whiripool Service (Example: XYZ Service Co.)
- WASHING MACHINES & DRYERS, SERVICE & REPAIR
- See: Whiripool Appliances or Authorized Whiripool Service (Example: XYZ Service Co.)

# 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 Consumer Assistance Center 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 and 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.

# WHIRLPOOL® CleanTop® Electric Range Warranty

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 service company.
FULL FIVE-YEAR WARRANTY From Date of Purchase	FSP replacement parts and repair labor for CleanTop ceramic cooktop to the original purchaser of this product. Whirlpool warrants that:  - The ceramic cooktop will not discolor  - The ceramic cooktop pattern will not wear off  - The ceramic cooktop will not crack due to thermal shock  - The surface units will not burn out
LIMITED WARRANTY FOR LIFE OF THE PRODUCT Second Year Through Life of Product From Date of Purchase	FSP replacement parts for control knobs.

### WHIRLPOOL WILL NOT PAY FOR

### A. Service calls to:

- 1. Correct the installation of your range.
- 2. Instruct you how to use your range.
- 3. Replace house fuses or correct house wiring.
- 4. Replace owner accessible light bulbs.
- B. Repairs when your range is used in other than normal, single-family household use.
- C. Pickup and delivery. Your range is designed to be repaired in the home.
- D. Damage to your range caused by accident, misuse, fire, flood, acts of God or use of products not approved by Whirlpool.
- E. Any labor costs during limited warranty.
- F. Repairs to CleanTop ceramic cooktop if it has not been cared for as recommended in this Use and Care Guide.
- G. Repairs to parts or systems caused by unauthorized modifications made to the appliance.

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

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