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# Stainless Steel Dual Basket ProFry<sup>™</sup> Plus immersion element deep fryer

- Professional-style fryer with dual baskets. Fries two foods at once. Bonus jumbo basket for extra large batches.
- 1800-watt immersion element for fast heating, frying, and steaming.
- Big 12-cup food capacity.
- Digital timer.



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# **INSTRUCTIONS**

This is a U Listed appliance. The following important safeguards are recommended by most portable appliance manufacturers.

# **IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS**

To reduce the risk of personal injury or property damage, when using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including the following:

- 1. Read all instructions.
- 2. Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles.
- 3. Be sure handles are properly assembled to baskets and locked in place. See detailed assembly instructions on page 3.
- 4. To protect against electrical shock or burns, do not immerse control unit, cord, or plug in water or other liquid.
- 5. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
- 6. Do not let children handle or put electrical cords or plugs in their mouths.
- 7. Always attach magnetic plug end to appliance first, then plug cord into the wall outlet. To disconnect, remove plug from wall outlet and then from appliance.
- 8. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Allow to cool before putting on or taking off parts, and before cleaning the appliance.
- 9. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug or in the event the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner. Return the appliance to the Presto Factory Service Department for examination, repair, or electrical or mechanical adjustment.
- 10. The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the appliance manufacturer may cause injuries.
- 11. Do not use a cracked removable pot or a basket having a loose or weakened handle.
- 12. Always insert the control assembly in the removable pot before plugging the unit into the wall outlet. Allow unit to cool completely before removing the control assembly.
- 13. Do not use outdoors.
- 14. Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter or touch hot surfaces.
- 15. Do not place on or near a hot gas or electric burner or in a heated oven.
- 16. It is recommended that this fryer not be moved when it contains hot oil or other hot liquid. If it must be moved when it contains hot oil or other hot liquid, always use handles on base and use extreme caution.
- 17. Do not use appliance for other than intended use.

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS THIS PRODUCT IS FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY.

# IMPORTANT CORD AND PLUG INFORMATION

A short power supply cord is provided to reduce the risk resulting from becoming entangled in or tripping over a longer cord. **DO NOT USE WITH AN EXTENSION CORD.** 

Do not allow the cord to run underneath or around the unit. The magnetic cord may not detach easily if the cord is positioned in this fashion.

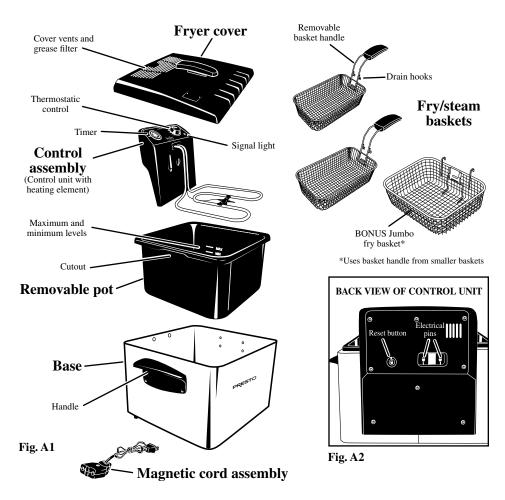
# **Before First Use**

Become familiar with the various parts of the deep fryer (Fig. A1) and read the instructions carefully.

Remove all packing material and disassemble unit for cleaning. Take the fry/steam baskets out of the unit. Remove the cord assembly from the basket and set aside. Then, lift the control assembly out of the unit. Wipe the control assembly (control unit with heating element) with a damp cloth. **Never immerse the control assembly, cord, or plug in water.** Lift the removable pot out of the base and wash the pot, fry/steam baskets, and fryer cover in dishwasher or in warm, sudsy water. Rinse and dry thoroughly.

#### **Reset Button**

The deep fryer is equipped with a sensor which will automatically shut the unit off if it is overheated. Overheating can occur if the unit is heated without oil or water or with insufficient oil or water. It can also occur if using solid fat or older oil that has become thick. Should the unit shut off, unplug and allow the unit to cool. Correct the cause of overheating. Then with the tip of a pen, press the red RESET button on the back of the control unit (Fig. A2). The unit will not operate until it is reset.



# **Important Fryer Guidelines**

- Use deep fryer only on a clean, dry, level, stable, and heat-resistant surface, away from countertop edge.
- Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children. Hot oil can cause serious and painful burns.
- To avoid the risk of electrocution or severe disfiguring electrical burns, do not let children handle or put electrical cords or plugs in their mouths.
- To avoid the risk of electrocution or electrical burns, do not let the control unit, cord, or plug come in contact with water or other liquid.
- Never use the deep fryer without the removable pot.
- CAUTION: OIL AND WATER DO NOT MIX. The combination can be dangerous. When the oil is heated, any water droplets in the oil super-heat, becoming a volatile steam that can cause hot oil to spatter, boil over, or even erupt out of the deep fryer. Hot oil can cause severe burns!

Accordingly, before pouring oil into the removable pot be sure that the pot and all parts are COMPLETELY dry. Before placing food in deep fryer, always remove ice crystals and excess moisture from food by patting dry with toweling.

- Never use the deep fryer without oil or with insufficient oil, which will cause overheating and damage to the product. Also never exceed the maximum fill level. Using more than the maximum amount may cause the oil to boil over the top of the fryer. The minimum (MIN) and maximum (MAX) fill levels are embossed inside the removable pot (Fig. A1).
- Use only a good, reliable brand of cooking oil for deep frying. Deep frying foods in olive oil is not recommended because it has a lower smoking temperature.
- Do not use solid fat (shortening, butter, margarine, lard). Solid fat will not melt uniformly and will cause severe smoking. It may also cause the unit to overheat resulting in the reset button tripping. In addition, solid fat will solidify once it has cooled making it very difficult to remove or insert the control assembly.
- Do not use cover while frying french fries and other high moisture foods.

- Use caution when deep frying flour tortillas. Flour tortillas contain air bubbles. During deep frying, oil can become trapped within these bubbles. If not properly drained, the bubbles can burst and cause burns. Therefore, after deep frying tortillas, carefully raise them out of the cooking oil and allow oil to drain from the tortillas for approximately 30 seconds.
- Use caution when deep frying doughs, such as beignets, donuts, dumplings, hushpuppies, and fritters. These foods may develop air bubbles during heating, which may burst and cause burns. Use a slotted spoon or tongs, rather than a fork, when turning food during frying and also when removing food from oil.

Fig. C

Drain h

To lock and unlock handle, gently

squeeze drain hooks

- Always remove plug from wall outlet and then from deep fryer when unit is not in use.
- Always allow fryer to cool completely before removing any parts, before removing oil, and before cleaning.

# **Basket Handle Assembly/Storage**

Your fryer will be shipped with the basket handles attached to the two smaller baskets. The handles will be in the storage position (Fig. B1). When ready to use the smaller baskets, simply lift the handles out of the baskets. Then, gently squeeze the drain hooks (Fig. C), keeping the pegs in the bracket holes, and fit the handle bars in the brackets (Fig. D). The handle is now in the locked position (Fig. B2).

The jumbo fry basket uses the handle from one of the smaller baskets. To remove the handle from a smaller basket, squeeze the drain hooks and fold the handle into the basket until the handle bars are out of the brackets. Continue squeezing to remove both pegs from the bracket holes and then lift the handle from the basket. Attach the handle to the jumbo basket by gently squeezing the drain hooks while inserting the pegs in the bracket holes (Fig. C). Continue to squeeze the drain hooks, keeping the pegs in the bracket holes, and fit the handle bars in the brackets (Fig. D). The handle is now in the locked position (Fig. B2).

Caution: To insure against accidental detachment of handles from

baskets during use, always make sure both pegs are in the bracket holes and the handle bars are in the brackets (Fig. D).

To unlock the basket handles for storage, gently squeeze the drain hooks (Fig. C), keeping the pegs in the bracket holes, and fold the handle into the basket.

# **Timer Operating Instructions**

Note: The timer works independently from the unit; it does not turn power to the unit on or off.

- 1. Turn the timer on by holding the button (Fig. E) down until 00 is visible in the display screen.
- 2. Press the button once for each individual minute or hold the button down to increase the display time rapidly until you have reached the desired time. The timer can be set for 1 to 30 minutes. The timer will automatically begin counting down approximately two seconds after it is set and it will begin to flash so you know it is working.

To reset the timer to zero, press the timer button for about two seconds.

3. When there is just one minute left on the timer, you will hear two beeps to alert you that time is almost up. In addition, the seconds remaining will now be displayed. When the set time has expired, the timer will beep several times. After about one minute, the display screen will go blank.

Note: If the timer does not beep, this may be corrected by simply removing the battery, wiping it clean, and then reinserting it. (See page 9 for battery removal instructions.)

# How To Use for Frying

- 1. Position base on a clean, dry, level, stable, and heat-resistant surface in center of countertop. Always use the handles on the base when lifting or moving the appliance. Never lift or move appliance using control assembly.
- 2. Place removable pot in base.

MAX level mark.

- 3. Attach the control assembly to the base by aligning the two guides on the front of the control unit with the two tracks on the back of the base (Fig. F). Slide the control assembly down (Fig. G) as far as it goes making sure both guides are in the tracks. Note: The appliance will only operate when both guides are properly positioned in the tracks.
- 4. Fill removable pot with cooking oil up to the MAX level marking, which is located on the inside of the removable pot (Fig. A1, page 2). Your fryer will need approximately 5 quarts of cooking oil. The amount of oil must always be between the MAX and MIN level markings inside the removable pot (Fig. A1). Never exceed the

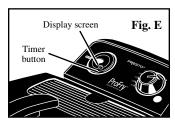


Fig. B2

LOCKED POSITION

Handle bars

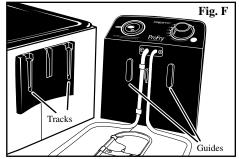
Brackets

Peg

Fig. B1

Fig. D

STORAGE POSITION





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5. Attach the cord to the unit by aligning the magnetic plug end with the two electrical pins located on the back of the control unit (Fig. A2, page 2). The plug can be attached in either direction.

Important: The magnetic cord was designed to detach easily from the fryer. As a result, if it is bumped or touched during use it could possibly detach causing the unit to stop heating. Avoid contact with cord during operation. If contact occurs, verify that the cord is still properly connected.

- 6. Plug cord into a 120 volt wall outlet. Always make sure fryer and cord are out of reach of children.
- 7. Turn the thermostatic control to the desired temperature (see page 5 for proper cooking temperatures). The recommended setting for most frying is 375°. While oil is heating, the signal light will be illuminated.
- 8. When the selected temperature is reached, the signal light will go out. (Preheat time is approximately 20 minutes.)
- 9. While oil is heating, prepare food for cooking.

**Note:** The black cover vents will expand and appear to change shape when the fryer is heating. When the cover cools, the vents will contract and appear to return to their original position. Both the expansion and contraction are normal.

- Assemble basket handles for frying, see page 3.
  To insure against accidental detachment of handles from baskets during use, always make sure both pegs are in the bracket holes and the handle bars are in the brackets (Fig. C and D, page 3).
- 11. Place baskets on countertop and fill each basket up to <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> full with food. (For raw fries, only fill basket <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> full.) Before deep frying, remove excess moisture from food by blotting with toweling—moist foods cause excess foaming and spattering.

Note: The fryer may be used with the jumbo basket or with one or both of the smaller baskets.

12. Attach either one or both of the filled fry baskets to the removable pot using the drain hooks. If using just one of the small baskets, place it on either the right or left side. Then position cover over basket or baskets with cover vents away from basket handles. Slowly lower the filled baskets one at a time into the preheated oil until the bottom of the basket rests on top of the heating element. **If frying french fries or other high moisture foods, immediately remove cover after lowering baskets into oil.** 

For crisper foods, fry without the cover.

**Note:** When lowering baskets that contain raw fries, observe that the oil does not bubble up to the rim of the removable pot. If it appears that the oil will bubble up to the rim, raise the baskets and allow the oil bubbles to subside and then slowly lower the baskets again. Repeat until the baskets are completely lowered into the fryer.

#### Warning: To prevent the risk of severe personal injury or property damage, use caution when cooking with hot oil.

13. Set the timer by pressing the button to the desired time. See page 3 for timer operating instructions. Refer to page 5 for recommended times.

Note: The timer works independently from the unit; it does not turn power to the unit on or off.

# Caution: It is normal for steam to escape from the cover vents during frying. To prevent steam burns keep hands and face away from the vents.

- 14. When the set time has expired, check that the food is golden brown. Then lift the baskets and hook them onto the fryer rim to allow oil to drain from food.
- 15. Empty the food onto absorbent paper. Season to taste.
- 16. If frying additional food, repeat steps 11 through 15. If signal light is on, allow oil to reheat until signal light goes out.
- 17. When frying is completed, remove plug from wall outlet and then from deep fryer. Allow oil and fryer to cool completely before removing control assembly and before cleaning.

# **Helpful Hints for Deep Frying**

- If unit fails to preheat or if the cooking process stops:
  - 1. Check cord assembly to assure magnetic plug is attached to the appliance and the cord is plugged into the wall outlet.
  - 2. Check to see that both guides on the front of the control unit are properly positioned in the tracks on the back of the base (see Fig. F and Fig. G, page 3).
  - 3. The reset button may have tripped. The deep fryer is equipped with a sensor which will automatically shut the unit off if it is heated without oil or water or with insufficient oil or water. Older oil that has become thick and solid fats may not conduct heat well and may also cause the sensor to trip and the unit to shut off. Should any of these things occur, unplug and allow the unit to cool. Correct the cause of overheating. Then with the tip of a pen, press the red RESET button on the back of the control unit (see Fig. A2, page 2). The unit will not operate until it is reset. Before plugging the unit back in, make sure there is sufficient oil or water in the fryer, or if the oil is old, replace the oil with fresh oil.
- When using fryer for the first time, a slight odor or light smoking may occur as manufacturing residue evaporates. This is normal during initial use.
- Before deep frying, always remove excess moisture or ice crystals from food by patting it dry with toweling. Moist foods may cause excess foaming, spattering, and crackling.
- Fry foods of equal size and thickness as they will fry more evenly and at the same speed.

- Do not fill the baskets more than <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> full for most foods. For raw fries, do not fill baskets more than <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> full. If too much food is fried at the same time, the food will not get crisp.
- For crisper foods, fry without the cover.
- For breading or coating foods, use commercial breading, finely ground bread or cracker crumbs, corn meal, a mixture of corn meal and flour, pancake mix, or prepared bread mixes.
- Foods that are battered may stick to the baskets; therefore, you may wish to fry these types of foods without the baskets. If, however, you want to use the baskets, lower the baskets into the oil before placing battered foods in the oil. Coated or breaded foods can be fried with or without the baskets. When using the fryer without the baskets, a heat resistant scoop may be used to add and/or remove foods.
- Use only heat resistant utensils in the fryer as most plastic or rubber will become damaged from the hot oil. Do not leave metal utensils in the fryer as they will become hot.
- After each use, strain oil through a filter or a double thickness of cheesecloth to remove the accumulated residue.
- The number of times the cooking oil can be reused will depend on the food that is fried in it. For example, the oil will need to be replaced more often if fish or food coated with bread or cracker crumbs is fried frequently.
- The longer oil is heated, the more rapidly it deteriorates. Avoid preheating longer than necessary and unplug the fryer once the last batch of food has been removed from it.
- To prolong the useful life of oil, store it in an airtight container in a cool, dark area or in the refrigerator.
- It is time to replace the cooking oil if any of the following occur:
  - The oil is dark in color.
  - The oil has an unpleasant odor.
  - The oil smokes when it is heated.
  - The oil foams excessively during frying.

# **Frying Timetable**

Do not use cover while frying french fries and other high moisture foods. For crisper foods, fry without the cover.

The following times are approximate and based on the maximum recommended amounts of food. Fill each basket no more than  $\frac{3}{4}$  full for most foods.

FOOD	QTY. PER BASKET				
	Small Basket Jumbo Basket		TEMPERATURE	TIME	
<b>Cheese</b> Frozen, nuggets	6 cups	12 cups	375°	2 to 3 minutes	
<b>Chicken</b> Frozen, nuggets Raw, serving size pieces, breaded	6 cups 3 to 4 pieces	12 cups 6 to 8 pieces	375° 375°	3 to 5 minutes 13 to 18 minutes	
Donuts* (Fry donuts without baskets)	6 to 8	6 to 8	375°	2 to 3 minutes	
<b>Egg Rolls</b> Frozen	3 to 4	6 to 8	375°	5 to 6 minutes	
Fish Frozen, battered/ breaded Raw, breaded	3 to 4 pieces 3 to 4 pieces	6 to 8 pieces 6 to 8 pieces	375° 375°	7 to 8 minutes 3 to 4 minutes	
Onion rings Frozen, battered/ breaded Raw, breaded*	6 cups 6 to 8	12 cups 12 to 16	375° 375°	4 to 5 minutes $1\frac{1}{2}$ to $2\frac{1}{2}$ minutes	
Potatoes Frozen french fries Raw fries (see below)	6 cups 4 cups (baskets ½ full)	12 cups 8 cups (baskets ½ full)	375° 350° 375°	10 to 12 minutes 3 to 4 minutes 10 to 12 minutes	
Shrimp Frozen, battered/ breaded Raw, breaded	6 cups 6 cups	12 cups 12 cups	375° 375°	5 to 7 minutes 3 to 5 minutes	
Vegetables, Raw, breaded*	10 to 12	20 to 24	350°	1 to 3 minutes	

\*These foods are best when fried in small quantities.

# Recipes

#### Raw French Fries (Double Fry Method)

Cut medium potatoes, peeled if desired, into  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch thick strips. Place into large bowl and cover with hot, tap water. Soak potato strips for 15 minutes or until ready to fry. Rinse, drain, and pat dry with paper towels.

Because raw fries contain a high percentage of moisture extreme care must be used when deep frying. Thoroughly dry raw fries before deep frying. **Fill the baskets** <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> **rather than** <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> **full.** Lower the filled baskets slowly into the oil. If the oil starts to boil up too quickly lift the baskets out of the oil for a couple of seconds, then lower them again. Repeat as necessary until the baskets are completely lowered into the fryer.

Fry at 350° for 3 to 4 minutes until fries are cooked through but not browned. Drain; let stand to cool for at least 10 minutes, but not more than 2 hours. Just before serving, fry potatoes at 375° for 10 to 12 minutes or until golden brown.

#### Crispy Coating

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup milk 1 egg, beaten Flour Salt and Pepper

Beat milk and egg together. Combine flour and seasonings. Dip food into milk-egg mixture, then coat in seasoned flour. Fry food according to timetable on page 5.

### Apple Pie Fritters

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- $1\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoons baking powder
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> teaspoon salt
- $\frac{2}{3}$  cup milk, minus 1 tablespoon
- 1 tablespoon brandy
- 1 egg yolk

- 1 tablespoon butter, melted
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> tablespoon ground cinnamon
- 4 tablespoons sugar
- 4-5 apples, peeled, cored, sliced  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch thick
  - 2 teaspoons ground nutmeg
  - 2 egg whites

In medium bowl, mix flour, sugar, baking powder, and salt. In a second bowl, whisk milk, brandy, egg yolk, and melted butter. Gradually stir into dry ingredients until smooth. Set aside.

Mix cinnamon and sugar. Sprinkle over both sides of apple slices, saving remainder to dust over finished fritters. Sprinkle slices lightly with nutmeg.

In clean bowl, beat egg whites until stiff, but not dry. Fold into reserved batter. Dip several apple slices into batter to coat evenly, letting excess drip off. Carefully place 1 to 2 slices at a time into preheated oil. Deep fry at 375° for 3 to 4 minutes, turning once. Drain on paper towels. Sprinkle both sides with reserved cinnamon and sugar mixture. Best served warm.

#### Quesadilla Crispers

- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> pound fresh sausage
  - (chorizo, Italian, etc.)
- 1 cup refried beans
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup finely chopped onion
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup diced canned green chilies, drained
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> pound jalapeño jack cheese, shredded (1-cup)
- 8 (7-inch) flour tortillas
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 2 tablespoons cold water

Cook sausage until done, breaking it up as it cooks. Combine sausage, beans, onion, chilies, and cheese.

#### Makes about $1^{1/2}$ cups.

Cut tortillas into quarters. Place about 1 teaspoon of bean mixture in center. Brush edges with mixture of flour and water. Fold in half and press to seal; keep covered as you work. Continue until all are made.

#### Makes 32.

Let stand 5 minutes before frying to allow edges to stick together. Deep fry 3 or 4 at a time at  $375^{\circ}$  for 2 minutes. Drain on paper towels.

#### Jalapeño Kickers

- 12 fresh jalapeño peppers OR 1 (3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-ounce) can jalapeño peppers Cream Cheese
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup flour
- 1 egg
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup milk

- 2 tablespoons bread crumbs
- $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon onion salt
- $\frac{1}{8}$  teaspoon garlic salt
- $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon vegetable oil
- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup flour
- 1 teaspoon sugar

CAUTION: Wear plastic gloves when working with peppers. Do not touch eye area.

To prepare fresh jalapeño peppers: rinse, cut in half lengthwise, remove seeds and stems, place in boiling water and remove after 2 minutes; drain well. To prepare canned jalapeño peppers: drain, cut in half lengthwise, and remove seeds and stems.

Fill each pepper half with cream cheese until slightly rounded. Place  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup flour in separate bowl, set aside. In a second bowl, beat egg with milk. In a third bowl, prepare breading by combining bread crumbs, onion salt, garlic salt, and oil. Stir in flour and sugar until mixed thoroughly. Roll each pepper in flour, dip in egg mixture, and then cover with breading. For a heavier breading, dip in egg mixture again and cover with breading a second time. Gently set aside until ready to deep fry.

Deep fry at 375° approximately 1 to 2 minutes or until golden brown. (Tip: Remove immediately if cream cheese filling appears through the coating.) Place fried peppers on paper toweling. Serve warm. If desired, serve with salsa.

### Crispy Cheese Ball Bites

- 2 cups shredded Cheddar cheese (½-pound)
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup crumbled blue cheese
- (2-ounces)1 (3-ounce) package cream cheese
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon chopped pimiento
- 1 tablespoon chopped chives
- $\frac{1}{2}$  cup ground or finely chopped nuts
- 2 tablespoons cold water
- 2 (11-ounce) packages refrigerated
  - breadsticks or combread twists

Bring cheese to room temperature. Beat or process cheese, milk, Worcestershire sauce, and lemon juice until well-blended. Stir in pimiento and chives. Form into 40 small balls. Roll in nuts, cover, and chill. Open refrigerated twists and unroll. Cut dough in half horizontally to make 4 sections, then cut each section into 5 pieces, each made up of 4 short strips. On a lightly floured surface, use fingers to press and pull strip until it is about 2 inches wide and 5 inches long. Cut in half. Place cheese in center of half, cover with other half, then pull and pinch edges to seal. You will make 20 squares from each package. Cover and chill until ready to fry.

Deep fry at 375° for 2 to 3 minutes, turning to brown all sides. Remove from oil and drain on absorbent paper.

Makes 40

# How To Use for Steaming and Boiling

1. Follow steps 1 through 3 on page 3.

Note: To avoid steam damage to cabinets when using the steaming and boiling function, position the deep fryer so that it is not directly under cabinets.

2. For boiling, fill removable pot with water up to the MAX level marking, which is located on the inside of the removable pot (Fig. A1, page 2). Your fryer will need approximately 5 quarts of water for boiling. Never exceed the MAX level mark.

**For steaming**, fill removable pot with water up to the MIN level marking, which is located on the inside of the removable pot (Fig. A1, page 2). Your fryer will need approximately 4 quarts of water for steaming. Do not use less than the minimum.

3. Attach the cord to the unit by aligning the magnetic plug end with the two electrical pins located on the back of the control unit (Fig. A2, page 2). The plug can be attached in either direction.

Important: The magnetic cord was designed to detach easily from the fryer. As a result, if it is bumped or touched during use it could possibly detach causing the unit to stop heating. Avoid contact with cord during operation. If contact occurs, verify that the cord is still properly connected.

- 4. Plug cord into a 120 volt wall outlet. Always make sure fryer and cord are out of reach of children.
- 5. Turn the thermostatic control to  $300^{\circ}$  and place the cover on the deep fryer.
- 6. While water is heating, prepare food for cooking.

**Note:** The black cover vents will expand and appear to change shape when the fryer is heating. When the cover cools, the vents will contract and appear to return to their original position. Both the expansion and contraction are normal.

- Assemble basket handles for cooking, see page 3.
  To insure against accidental detachment of handles from baskets during use, always make sure both pegs are in the bracket holes and the handle bars are in the brackets (Fig. C and D, page 3).
- 8. Place baskets on countertop and fill each basket up to <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> full with food. Do not exceed 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> pounds per each small basket or 3 pounds in the jumbo basket.

Note: The unit may be used with the jumbo basket or with one or both of the smaller baskets.

9. When water begins to boil (approximately 12 to 17 minutes), remove cover and attach either one or both of the filled baskets to the removable pot using the drain hooks. If using just one of the small baskets, place it on either the right or left side. Then position cover over basket or baskets with cover vents away from basket handles.

If steaming, leave basket hooked on removable pot.

If boiling, slowly lower the filled baskets one at a time into the water until the bottom of the basket rests on top of the heating element.

10. Set the timer by pressing the button to the desired time. See page 3 for timer operating instructions. Refer to the chart below for recommended times.

Note: The timer works independently from the unit; it does not turn power to the unit on or off.

Caution: It is normal for steam to escape from the cover vents during boiling and steaming. To prevent steam burns keep hands and face away from the vents.

- 11. When the set time has expired, remove cover and then remove baskets from fryer if the food was steamed. If food was boiled, lift the baskets and hook them onto the fryer rim to allow food to drain.
- 12. Empty the food into serving bowls. Season to taste.
- 13. When cooking is completed, remove plug from wall outlet and then from deep fryer. Allow fryer to cool completely before removing control assembly and before cleaning.

VEGETABLE	Approximate Steaming and Boiling Time	VEGETABLE	Approximate Steaming and Boiling Time
*Asparagus		Corn-on-the-cob	10-15 minutes
Thin spears Thick spears	3-4 minutes 4-5 minutes	<b>Potatoes</b> , white Small (1 to 2 ounces each) whole	2
*Beans		or Medium, quartered	13-15 minutes
Whole or 1-inch pieces	7-8 minutes	Potatoes, sweet, 1-inch slices	17-19 minutes
*Broccoli Spears or Florets	5-7 minutes	*Rutabaga, <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> -inch cubes	15-20 minutes
*Brussels Sprouts	0.11	<b>* Turnips</b> , <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> -inch cubes	15-20 minutes
1 to $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch diameter	9-11 minutes	SHRIMP	
*Cabbage, 2-inch wedge	15-20 minutes	Fresh	4-5 minutes
* Carrots		Frozen	5-7 minutes
Whole ¼-inch slices Baby-cut	18-22 minutes 6-7 minutes 11-14 minutes	<b>CRAB LEGS</b> Fresh Frozen	5-7 minutes 7-9 minutes
*Cauliflower			
Whole head Florets	18-20 minutes 7-9 minutes		

\*Steaming is recommended to minimize nutrient loss.

Note: It is recommended that you NOT use this fryer to boil pasta as the pasta may fall through the basket openings and stick to the heating element.

- 1. After unit and oil have cooled completely, carefully lift control assembly out of fryer and wipe with a damp cloth to clean. Never immerse the control assembly in water or wash in a dishwasher.
- 2. Then, grabbing the cutouts on the sides of the removable pot (see Fig. A1, page 2), carefully lift the pot out of the deep fryer. If you plan to reuse the cooking oil, it is recommended that you strain the oil to remove any food particles. Then store the oil in a tightly sealed container and keep where it will not be exposed to heat or direct light.
- 3. Wash the removable pot, fry/steam baskets, fryer cover, and base in dishwasher or in warm, sudsy water.

**Important:** To prevent damage to the removable pot, cover, or base, do not use steel wool scouring pads, abrasive kitchen cleaners, bleach, vinegar, lemon juice, or other acid-based cleaners. When cleaning in the dishwasher, do not use dishwasher rinse aids or hard water deposit removers, such as LemiShine® The Hard Water Expert<sup>™</sup>\*. Do not use bleaching agents to clean the fry/steam baskets.

If desired, the basket handles may be removed for cleaning. Squeeze the drain hooks and fold the handle into the basket until the handle bars are out of the brackets. Continue squeezing to remove both pegs from the bracket holes. After cleaning, reattach handle making sure both pegs are in the bracket holes and the handle bars are in the brackets (see Fig. D, page 3). Fold handle into basket for storage (see Fig. B1, page 3).

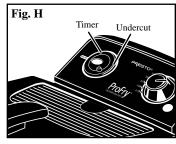
**Note:** Your fryer has a grease filter in the cover. The filter does not need replacing.

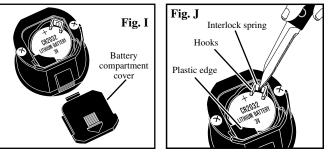
- 4. Before reassembling unit, be sure all parts are completely dry (see page 3).
- 5. Always check the magnetic plug before use to assure metal items have not become attached to the magnet.
- 6. Periodically check the screws on the base handles and feet to be sure they are tight. Retighten, if necessary, with a standard #2 Phillips head screwdriver. CAUTION: Overtightening can result in stripping of screws or cracking of handles and feet.

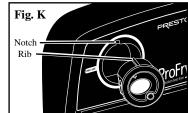
# **Replacing the Timer Battery**

The battery used in the deep fryer is a CR2032 3V lithium battery which will seldom need to be replaced. If you ever need to replace the battery, follow the instructions below.

- 1. Although not visible, there is an undercut located on the left and right side of the timer. Insert a thin object (such as a butter knife) in the undercut on the left side of the timer (Fig. H) and lift that side of the timer away from the control panel. Hold that side of the timer with your finger, to prevent it from slipping back in control panel, and insert the knife in the undercut on the right side of the timer and lift that side away from the control panel. Now pull the timer out completely from the opening in the control panel.
- 2. Turn the timer over so the back side is facing up. Using your thumb, remove the battery compartment cover by sliding it in the direction the arrow is pointing (Fig. I).
- 3. Using a small paring knife, or some other narrow object, carefully press near the top of the interlock spring towards the wall of the timer to release the battery from under the hooks (Fig. J). Use the tip of the knife to remove the battery and discard.
- 4. Position new CR2032 3V lithium battery, with writing facing up, in compartment fitting it underneath the plastic edge (Fig. J). Push battery down on the side by the interlock spring until the battery snaps into position under the hooks.
- 5. Replace battery cover. Holding the cover with your thumb on the arrow, fit the sides of the cover in the grooves on the timer and slide the door towards the interlock spring. Turn the timer over and press the button to make sure it is operating.
- 6. Place timer back in control panel so the rib on the timer is aligned with the notch on the control panel (Fig. K).









<sup>\*</sup> LemiShine® is a registered trademark of Envircon Technologies, Inc.

# **Consumer Service Information**

If you have any questions regarding the operation of your Presto<sup>®</sup> appliance or need parts for your appliance, contact us by any of these methods:

- Call 1-800-877-0441 weekdays 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM (Central Time)
- Email us at our website www.GoPresto.com
- Write: NATIONAL PRESTO INDUSTRIES, INC. Consumer Service Department 3925 North Hastings Way, Eau Claire, WI 54703-3703

When contacting the Consumer Service Department, please indicate the model number and the date code for the deep fryer. These numbers can be found on the back of the control assembly.

Please record this information:

Model Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date Code \_\_\_\_\_ Date Purchased \_\_\_\_

Inquiries will be answered promptly by telephone, email, or letter. When emailing or writing, please include a phone number and a time when you can be reached during weekdays if possible.

Any maintenance required for this product, other than normal household care and cleaning, should be performed by our Factory Service Department. Be sure to indicate date of purchase and a description of defect when sending an appliance for repair. Send appliances for repair to:

#### CANTON SALES AND STORAGE COMPANY Presto Factory Service Department 555 Matthews Drive Canton, MS 39046-0529

The Presto Factory Service Department is equipped to service all PRESTO<sup>®</sup> appliances and supply genuine PRESTO<sup>®</sup> parts. Genuine PRESTO<sup>®</sup> replacement parts are manufactured to the same exacting quality standards as PRESTO<sup>®</sup> appliances and are engineered specifically to function properly with its appliances. Presto can only guarantee the quality and performance of genuine PRESTO<sup>®</sup> parts. "Look-alikes" might not be of the same quality or function in the same manner. To ensure that you are buying genuine PRESTO<sup>®</sup> replacement parts, look for the PRESTO<sup>®</sup> trademark.

#### PRESTO<sup>®</sup> Limited Warranty

This quality PRESTO<sup>®</sup> appliance is designed and built to provide many years of satisfactory performance under normal household use. Presto pledges to the original owner that should there be any defects in material or workmanship during the first year after purchase, we will repair or replace it at our option. Our pledge does not apply to damage caused by shipping. To obtain service under the warranty, return this PRESTO<sup>®</sup> appliance, shipping prepaid, to the Presto Factory Service Department. When returning a product, please include a description of the defect and indicate the date the appliance was purchased.

We want you to obtain maximum enjoyment from using this PRESTO<sup>®</sup> appliance and ask that you read and follow the instructions enclosed. Failure to follow instructions, damage caused by improper replacement parts, abuse or misuse will void this pledge. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state. This is Presto's personal pledge to you and is being made in place of all other express warranties.

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