

GAS COOKTOP

Use & Care Guide

PARRILLA DE COCINAR A GAS

Manual del Usuario

Models, Modelos 790. 3324*, 790. 3326*

* = color number, número de color



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Kenmore Elite Appliance Warranty

One Year Limited Warranty

When installed, operated and maintained according to all instructions supplied with the product, if this appliance fails due to a defect in material or workmanship within one year from the date of purchase, call 1-800-4-MY-HOME ® to arrange for free repair. If this appliance is used for other than private family purposes, this warranty applies for only 90 days from the date of purchase.

FIVE-YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

For five years from the date of purchase, when this range is installed, operated, and maintained according to all instructions supplied with this product, Sears will replace the following range parts free of charge if they fail for the reasons below. After the first year, customer must pay labor cost of installation.

- Cooktop glass if it fails due to thermal shock.
- · Cooktop elements if they are defective.

This warranty covers only defects in material and workmanship. Sears will NOT pay for:

- 1. Expendable items that can wear out from normal use, including but not limited to filters, belts, light bulbs, and bags.
- 2. A service technician to instruct the user in correct product installation, operation or maintenance.
- 3. A service technician to clean or maintain this product.
- 4. Damage to or failure of this product if it is not installed, operated or maintained according to all instructions supplied with the product.
- 5. Damage to or failure of this product resulting from accident, abuse, misuse or use for other than its intended purpose.
- 6. Damage to or failure of this product caused by the use of detergents, cleaners, chemicals or utensils other than those recommended in all instructions supplied with the product.
- 7. Damage to or failure of parts or systems resulting from unauthorized modifications made to this product.

Disclaimer of implied warranties; limitation of remedies

Customer's sole and exclusive remedy under this limited warranty shall be product repair as provided herein. Implied warranties, including warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose, are limited to one year or the shortest period allowed by law. Sears shall not be liable for incidental or consequential damages. Some states and provinces do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, or limitations on the duration of implied warranties of merchantability or fitness, so these exclusions or limitation may not apply to you.

This warranty applies only while this appliance is used in the United States and Canada.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

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Serial Plate Location

You will find the model and serial number printed on the serial plate. The serial plate is located under the cooktop.

Please see the illustration for exact location. Remember to record the serial number for future reference (See Product Record above).



Product Record

In this space below, record the date of purchase, model and serial number of your product. You will find the model and serial number printed on the serial plate. This serial plate is located under the cooktop. **See bottom** of this page for the serial plate location.

Model No.	
Serial No.	
Date of pur	chase

Save these instructions and your sales receipt for future reference.

Please carefully read and save these instructions

This Use & Care Manual contains general operating instructions for your appliance and feature information for several models. Your product **may not** have all the described features. The graphics shown are representative. The graphics on your appliance may not look exactly like those shown. Common sense and caution must be practiced when installing, operating and maintaining any appliance.

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Important Safety Instructions

Read all instructions before using this appliance. Save these instructions for future reference.

This manual contains important safety symbols and instructions. Please pay attention to these symbols and follow all instructions given.

A WARNING This symbol will help alert you to situations that may cause serious bodily harm, death or property damage.

A CAUTION This symbol will help alert you to situations that may cause bodily injury or property damage.

! WARNING If the information in this manual is not followed exactly, a fire or explosion may result causing property damage, personal injury or death.

FOR YOUR SAFETY:

- Do not store or use gasoline or other flammable vapors and liquids in the vicinity of this or any other appliance.
- WHAT TO DO IF YOU SMELL GAS:
- Do not try to light any appliance.
- Do not touch any electrical switch; do not use any phone in your building.
- Immediately call your gas supplier from a neighbor's phone. Follow the gas supplier's instructions.
- If you cannot reach your gas supplier, call the fire department.
- Installation and service must be performed by a qualified installer, servicer or the gas supplier.
- · Remove all tape and packaging wrap before using the cooktop. Destroy the carton and plastic bags after unpacking the cooktop. Never allow children to play with packaging material. Do not remove the model/serial plate attached to the cooktop.
- Proper Installation—Be sure your appliance is properly installed and grounded by a qualified technician in accordance with the National Fuel Gas Code ANSI Z223.1 latest edition and CAN/CGA B149.2, and the National Electrical Code ANSI/NFPA No. 70—latest edition, and local code requirements. Install and/or adjust only per installation instructions provided in the literature package for this cooktop.
- In case of an emergency, know how to disconnect the electrical power to the appliance at the circuit breaker or fuse box and how to turn off the gas supply at the main shutoff valve.
- User Servicing—Do not repair or replace any part of the appliance unless specifically recommended in the manuals. All other servicing should be done only by a qualified technician to reduce the risk of personal injury and damage to the cooktop. Sears Parts & Repair is the recommended repair service for this appliance.
- Never modify or alter the construction of a cooktop by removing panels, wire covers, or any other part of the product.

A WARNING Stepping or leaning on this cooktop can result in serious injuries and may also cause damage to the cooktop. Do not allow children to climb or play around the cooktop.

• Storage on Appliance—Flammable materials should not be stored on the cooktop, near surface burners. This includes paper, plastic and cloth items, such as cookbooks, plasticware and towels, as well as flammable liquids. Do not store explosives, such as aerosol cans, on the cooktop. Flammable materials may explode and result in fire or property damage.

! CAUTION Do not store items of interest to children in the cabinets above the cooktop.

- · Do not leave children alone—Children should not be left alone or unattended in the area where an appliance is in use. They should never be allowed to sit or stand on any part of the appliance.
- DO NOT TOUCH SURFACE BURNERS, GRATES, OR AREAS NEAR THESE BURNERS. Surface burners may be hot even though the flames are not visible. Areas near surface burners may become hot enough to cause burns. During and after use, do not touch or let clothing or other flammable materials touch these areas until they have had sufficient time to cool. Among these areas are the cooktop and the surfaces facing the cooktop.
- Wear Proper Apparel—Loose-fitting or hanging garments should never be worn while using the appliance. Do not let clothing or other flammable materials contact hot surfaces.

! WARNING NEVER use this appliance as a space heater to heat or warm the room. Doing so may result in carbon monoxide poisoning.

Important Safety Instructions

- Do Not Use Water or Flour on Grease Fires—Smother the fire with a panlid, or use baking soda, a dry chemical or foam-type extinguisher.
- When heating fat or grease, watch it closely. Fat or grease may catch fire if allowed to become too hot.
- Use Only Dry Potholders—Moist or damp pot holders on hot surfaces may result in burns from steam. Do not let the potholders touch the flame or burners. Do not use a towel or other bulky cloth instead of a pot holder.
- Do Not Heat Unopened Food Containers—Buildup of pressure may cause container to burst and result in injury.
- Know which knob controls each surface burner. Always turn the knob to the LITE position when igniting the burners. Visually check that the burner has lit. Then adjust the flame so it does not extend beyond the edge of the utensil.

A WARNING Use Proper Flame Size—Adjust flame size so it does not extend beyond the edge of the utensil. The use of undersized utensils will expose a portion of the burner flame to direct contact and may result in ignition of clothing. Proper relationship of utensil to flame will also improve efficiency.

A WARNING Do not use stove top grills on your sealed gas burners. If you use a stove top grill on a sealed gas burner, it will cause incomplete combustion and can result in exposure to carbon monoxide levels above allowable current standards. This can be hazardous to your health.

AWARNING Use proper pan size—This appliance is equipped with one or more surface burners of different sizes. Select utensils having flat bottom large enough to cover the surface burner. The use of undersized utensils will expose a portion of the surface burner to direct contact and may result in ignition of clothing. Proper relationship of utensil to the surface burner will also improve efficiency.

- Clean the appliance regularly to keep all parts free of grease that could catch fire. Exhaust fan ventilation hoods and grease filters should be kept clean. Do not allow grease to accumulate on hood or filter. Greasy deposits in the fan could catch fire. When flaming food under the hood, turn fan on. Refer to hood manufacturer's instructions for cleaning.
- Utensil Handles Should Be Turned Inward from Edges
 of Cooktop and Not Extend Over Adjacent Surface
 Burners—To reduce the risk of burns, ignition of flammable
 materials, and spillage due to unintentional contact with the
 utensil, the handle of the utensil should be positioned so that
 it is turned inward, and does not extend over adjacent
 surface burners.

- Never Leave Surface Burners Unattended at High Heat Settings—Boilovers cause smoking and greasy spillovers that may ignite, or a pan that has boiled dry may melt.
- **Protective Liners**—Do not use aluminum foil to line surface burner pans. Protective liners or aluminum foil may interfere with heat and air distribution, and combustion. Damage to the cooktop or personal injury may result.
- Glazed Cooking Utensils—Only certain types of glass, glass/ceramic, ceramic, earthenware, or other glazed utensils are suitable for cooktop service without breaking due to the sudden change in temperature. Check the manufacturer's recommendations for cooktop use.
- Do Not Use Decorative Surface Burner Covers. If a burner is accidentally turned on, the decorative cover will become hot and possibly melt. You will not be able to see that the burner is on. Burns will occur if the hot covers are touched. Damage may also be done to the cooktop or burners because the covers may cause overheating. Air will be blocked from the burner and cause combustion problems.

GLASS COOKTOPS (some models):

- Do Not Clean or Operate a Broken Cooktop. If cooktop should break, cleaning solutions and spillovers may penetrate the broken cooktop and create a risk of electric shock. Contact a qualified technician immediately.
- Clean Cooktop with Caution. If a wet sponge or cloth is used to wipe spills on a hot cooking area, be careful to avoid a steam burn. Some cleaners can produce harmful fumes if applied to a hot surface.
- Do Not Place Hot Cookware on Cold Cooktop Glass. This could cause glass to break.
- Do not slide pans across the cooktop surface. They may scratch the cooktop surface.
- **Do not let pans boil dry.** Pans that boil dry may permanently damage the cooktop by breaking, fusing to, or marking it. (This type of damage is not covered by your warranty).

IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE

The California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act requires the Governor of California to publish a list of substances known to the state to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm, and requires businesses to warn customers of potential exposure to such substances.

PROTECTION AGREEMENTS

In the U.S.A.

Master Protection Agreements

Congratulations on making a smart purchase. Your new Kenmore® product is designed and manufactured for years of dependable operation. But like all products, it may require preventive maintenance or repair from time to time. That's when having a Master Protection Agreement can save you money and aggravation.

Purchase a Master Protection Agreement now and protect yourself from unexpected hassle and expense.

The Master Protection Agreement also helps extend the life of your new product. Here's what's included in the Agreement:

- ✓ Expert service by our 12,000 professional repair specialists
- ✓ Unlimited service and no charge for parts and labor on all covered repairs
- "No-lemon" guarantee replacement of your covered product if four or more product failures occur within twelve months
- ✓ Annual Preventive Maintenance Check at your request no extra charge
- ▼ Fast help by phone phone support from a Sears representative on products requiring in-home repair, plus convenient repair scheduling
- ✓ Power surge protection against electrical damage due to power fluctuations
- ▼ Rental reimbursement if repair of your covered product takes longer than promised

Once you purchase the Agreement, a simple phone call is all that it takes for you to schedule service. You can call anytime day or night, or schedule a service appointment online.

Sears has over 12,000 professional repair specialists, who have access to over 4.5 million quality parts and accessories. That's the kind of professionalism you can count on to help prolong the life of your new purchase for years to come. Purchase your Master Protection Agreement today!

Some limitations and exclusions apply. For prices and additional information call 1-800-827-6655.

Sears Installation Service

For Sears professional installation of home appliances, garage door openers, water heaters, and other major home items, in the U.S.A. call **1-800-4-MY-HOME**®

In Canada

Maintenance Agreements

Your purchase has added value because you can depend on Sears HomeCentral® for service. With over 2400 Service Technicians and more than a million parts and accessories, we have the tools, parts, knowledge and skills to ensure our pledge: We Service What We Sell.

Your Kenmore® product is designed, manufactured and tested to provide years of dependable operation. But like all products, it may require service from time to time. The Sears Maintenance Agreement offers you an outstanding service program, affordably priced.

The Sears Maintenance Agreement:

- · Is your way to buy tomorrow's service at today's price
- Eliminates repair bills resulting from normal wear and tear
- Provides phone support from a Sears representative on products requiring in-home repair
- Even if you don't need repairs, provides an annual Preventive Maintenance Check, at your request, to ensure that your product is in proper running condition.

Some limitations apply. For more information about Sears Canada Maintenance Agreements, call 1-800-361-6665

Grounding Instructions

For personal safety, the cooktop must be properly grounded. For maximum safety, the power cord must be plugged into an electrical outlet that is correctly polarized and properly grounded.

DO NOT Operate the cooktop using a 2-prong adapter or an extension cord. If a 2-prong wall receptacle is the only available outlet, it is the personal responsibility of the consumer to have it replaced with a properly grounded 3-prong wall receptacle installed by a qualified electrician.

See the **INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS** packaged with this cooktop for complete installation and grounding instructions.

A WARNING This appliance is equipped with a 3-prong grounding plug for your protection against shock hazard and should be plugged directly into a properly grounded receptacle. **DO NOT** cut or remove the grounding prong from this plug.

Grounding type wall receptacle

Do not, under any circumstances, cut, remove, or bypass the grounding prong.

Power supply cord with 3-prong grounding plug

A WARNING Avoid fire hazard or electrical shock. **DO NOT** use an adapter plug, an extension cord, or remove grounding prong from electrical power cord. Failure to follow this warning can cause serious injury, fire or death.

Liquefied Petroleum (Propane) Gas Conversion

This appliance can be used with Natural Gas or Propane (L.P.) Gas. It is shipped from the factory for use with Natural Gas.

If you wish to covert the appliance to LP Gas, use the supplied LP Gas conversion kit and instructions, contained in an envelope marked FOR LP/PROPANE GAS CONVERSION. The conversion must be performed by a Sears or other qualified LP service dealer following the supplied instructions.

A WARNING To avoid serious injury or death, any additions, changes or conversions required for this appliance to operate with either LP or Natural Gas must be made by a Sears or other qualified LP service dealer.

Before Setting Surface Controls

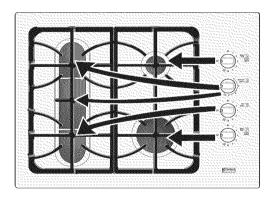
Locations of the Gas Surface Burners

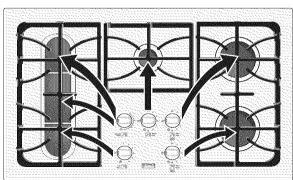
The **SIMMER** burner is best used for simmering delicate sauces, etc. This burner is located at the right rear burner position on the cooktop.

The **STANDARD** sized burners are used for most surface cooking needs. These burners are located at the left front and left rear positions on the cooktop (and there is one more standard burner located at the center rear position on the 36" cooktop models).

The **POWER** burner is best used for bringing large quantities of liquid rapidly up to temperature or when preparing larger quantities of food. This burner is located at the right front position on the cooktop.

The **BRIDGE** burner is best suited when using rectangular or long shaped cookware. The left rear and left middle are combined and controlled by the same control knob. The left front burner may also be added for a total of 3 burners.





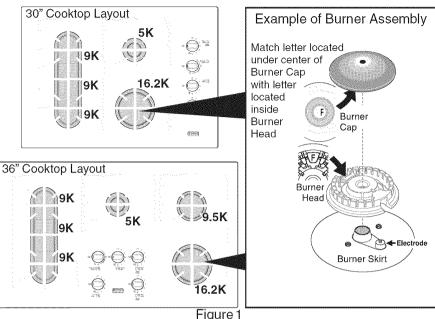
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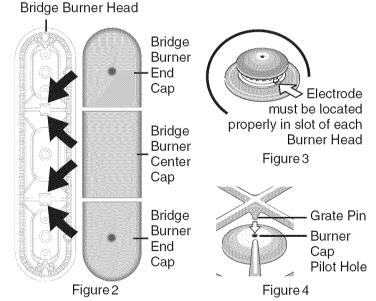
Assembly of the Surface Burner Heads, Burner Caps and Burner Grates

It is very important to make sure that all of the Surface Burner Heads, Surface Burner Caps and Surface Burner Grates are installed correctly and at the correct locations.

- Be sure to follow the Installation Instructions when installing your new cooktop.
- 2. Remove all packing tape from cooktop. Remove Burner Caps and Burner Heads (See Figure 1).
- 3. Discard all packing material located under all Burner Heads (if applicable).
- 4. To replace Burner Heads & Caps, match the letters located under center of Burner Caps with the letters located inside Burner Head (only 5K, 9.5K and 16.2K burners are marked with letters See Figure 1). Place all Burner Heads & Caps on the cooktop (See Figure 1) while carefully aligning the Electrodes into slots or holes of the Burner Heads (Figure 3). Note: The Burner Heads should sit flat on Cooktop Burner Skirts.
- Skirts.

 5. Replace Bridge Burner Caps. These include one Bridge Burner Center Cap (rectangular shaped) and the two Bridge Burner End Caps (The Bridge Burner End Caps will fit either the front or rear Bridge Burner Head locations). Make sure that the tabs located under the Bridge Burner Caps fall into the slots located in the Bridge Burner Head (See arrows in Figure 2) and that all the Bridge Burner Caps lie flat and evenly on the Bridge Burner Head.
- 6. Unpack Burner Grates. NOTE: Do not force End Burner Grates down on cooktop. Be careful to line up the 2 Grate Pins located on each of the 2 End Burner Grates into the Pilot holes located on top of the Burner Caps (See Figure 4). Position Burner Grates on cooktop and check that all the Burner Grate legs lie on the glass surface.
- 7. Place Center Burner Grate between the end Burner Grates (36" models only).





REMEMBER — DO NOT ALLOW SPILLS, FOOD, CLEANING AGENTS OR ANY OTHER MATERIAL TO ENTER THE GAS ORIFICE HOLDER OPENING. Always keep the Burner Caps and Burner Heads in place whenever the surface burners are in use.

Setting Surface Controls

A CAUTION Do not place plastic items such as salt and pepper shakers, spoon holders or plastic wrappings on top of the range when it is in use. These items could melt or ignite. Potholders, towels or wood spoons could catch fire if placed too close to a flame.

In the event of an electrical power outage, the surface burners can be lit manually. To light a surface burner, hold a lit match to the burner head, then slowly turn the surface control knob to **LITE.** After burner lights push in and turn knob to desired setting. Use caution when lighting surface burners manually.

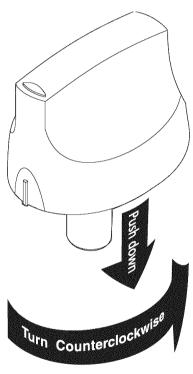


Figure 1

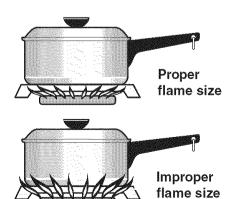


Figure 2

Operating the Gas Surface Controls:

- 1. Place cooking utensil on surface burner.
- 2. Push the surface control knob down and turn **counterclockwise** out of the OFF position (See Figure 1).
- 3. Release the knob and rotate to the LITE position. Note: All four electronic surface ignitors will spark at the same time. However, only the burner you are turning on will ignite.
- 4. Visually check that the burner has a flame.
- 5. Turn the control knob counterclockwise to the desired flame size. The control knobs do not have to be set at a particular setting. Use the knob indicator settings to adjust the flame as needed. DO NOT cook with the surface control knob in the LITE position. (The electronic ignitor will continue to spark if the knob is left in the LITE position.)

Setting Proper Surface Burner Flame Size

For most cooking, start on the highest control setting and then turn to a lower one to complete the process. Use the recommendations below as a guide for determining proper flame size for various types of cooking. The size and type of utensil used and the amount of food being cooked will influence the setting needed for cooking.

*Flame Size	Type of Cooking
High Flame	Start most foods; bring water to a boil; pan broiling.
Medium Flame	Maintain a slow boil; thicken sauces, gravies; steaming.
Low Flame	Keep foods cooking; poach; stewing.

*These settings are based on using medium-weight metal or aluminum pans with lids. Settings may vary when using other types of pans. The color of the flame is the key to proper burner adjustment. A good flame is clear, blue and hardly visible in a well-lighted room. Each cone of flame should be steady and sharp. Clean burner if flame is yellow-orange. Regardless of size, always select cookware that is suitable for the amount and type of food being prepared. Select a burner and flame size appropriate to the pan. Never allow flames to extend beyond the outer edge of the pan.

Never extend the flame beyond the outer edge of the utensil. A higher flame wastes heat and energy and increases your risk of being burned by the flame (Figure 2).

For deep fat frying, use a thermometer and adjust the surface control knob accordingly. If the fat is too cool, the food will absorb the fat and be greasy. If the fat is too hot, the food will brown quickly and the center will be undercooked. Do not attempt to deep fat fry too much food at once as the food will neither brown nor cook properly.

Setting Surface Controls (cont'd)

Setting the Bridge Burner

The Bridge Burner should be used with rectangular shaped cookware. Cookware like the cast-iron Griddle that is supplied with your cooktop is designed specifically for best results with the Bridge Burner.

The Bridge Burner feature may be used to combine the cooking power of 2 or if needed 3 gas surface Burners located along the left-hand side of the glass cooktop. The left rear and left center Burners are controlled by the left rear surface Control Knob. In addition the left front Burner may be added to the Bridge Burner with the left front gas Control Knob (See Figure 1).

Operating the Bridge Burner

- 1. Push the left rear surface control knob in and turn **counterclockwise** out of the OFF position (See Figure 2).
- 2. Release the knob and rotate to the **LITE** position (See Figures 2 & 3). Note: All electronic surface ignitors will spark at the same time. However, only the selected surface Burner will lite.
- 3. Visually check that the left rear Burner has lit.
- 4. Continue to rotate the gas control knob counterclockwise past the first LO setting to the arrow marked **BRIDGE**.
- 5. Visually check that both the left rear and left center Burners are lit.
- 6. When both burners are lit, continue to turn the control knob counterclockwise to adjust to the desired flame size for both burners together. Note: The markings between the 2nd HI and LO settings on the left rear control knob are for adjusting the flame size for both burners (Refer to Figure 3).
- 7. Add the left front Burner if needed. Once lit, visually adjust the flame size of the left front Burner to match the flame size of the Bridge Burner.
- Place cooking utensil centered over the left-hand cooktop surface Burner
 Grate. DO NOT cook with any of the surface control knobs in the LITE position
 (The electronic ignitor will continue to spark if the knob is left in the LITE
 position).

Note: If only the left rear surface Burner is needed, follow the instructions provided below.

Figure 1

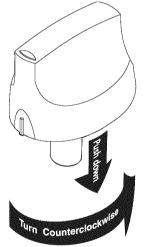


Figure 2

Operating only the Left rear Gas Surface Burner

- 1. Place cooking utensil centered over the left-rear surface Burner Grate.
- Push the left rear surface control knob in and turn counterclockwise out of the OFF position (See Figure 2).
- Release the knob and rotate to the LITE position.
 Note: All electronic surface ignitors will spark at the same time. However, only the left rear Burner will ignite.
- 4. Visually check that the left-rear burner has lit. Adjust the flame size by turning the control knob between the first HI and LO settings (See Figure 3). DO NOT cook with the surface control knob in the LITE position (The electronic ignitor will continue to spark if the knob is left in the LITE position).

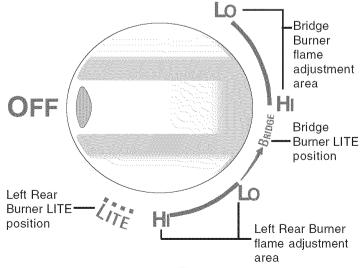
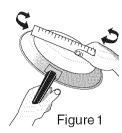


Figure 3

Surface Cooking Use Proper Cookware

Cookware should have flat bottoms that make good contact with the entire surface heating element.
Check for flatness by rotating a ruler across the bottom of the cookware (See Figure



1). Be sure to follow the recommendations for using cookware as shown in Figure 2.

Note: The size and type of cookware used will influence the setting needed for best cooking results.

Note: Always use a utensil for its intended purpose. Follow manufacturer's instructions. Some utensils were not made to be used in the oven or on the cooktop.

CORRECT



- Flat bottom and straight sides.
- · Tight fitting lids.
- Weight of handle does not tilt pan. Pan is well balanced.
- Pan sizes match the amount of food to be prepared.
- Made of material that conducts heat well.
- · Easy to clean.

INCORRECT

• Curved and warped pan bottoms.



 Pan overhangs burner grate by more than 2.5 cm (1").



· Heavy handle tilts pan.



• Flame extends beyond pan.



Figure 2

used but must conform to the above recommended cookware requirements.

Specialty pans such as lobster pots, griddles and pressure cookers may be

Using a wok

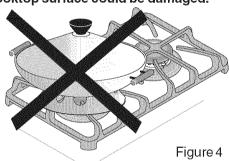


Figure 3

Woks with flat bottoms suitable for use on your cooktop are available in most cookshop or hardware stores. Round-bottomed woks (with a support ring that does not extend beyond the burner circumference) may also be used. The metal ring was designed to support the wok safely when it is filled with large amounts of liquids (soup making) or fat (frying).

Wire trivets: Do not use wire trivets. Cookware bottoms must be in direct contact with the grates.

DO NOT use a wok if it is equipped with a metal ring that extends beyond the burner circumference. Because this ring traps heat, the surface unit and cooktop surface could be damaged.



Care & Seasoning of the Griddle

Before first use:

- Wash Griddle in hot soapy water. Rinse and then dry completely.
- Apply a thin coat of vegetable oil to the entire surface (front and back of griddle).
- Preheat your oven to 350°F. Place the griddle on the upper rack in your oven.
- Bake griddle for 1 hour at 350°F, then turn oven OFF and let cool before removing.
- The surface may appear to have a tacky feel to it from the seasoning process. If desired, wash the griddle in hot soapy water, rinse well, and dry completely.

After each use:

- To prevent rusting, store in a dry place and keep uncovered.
- After each use, clean with a stiff brush and hot water only.
- DO NOT CLEAN GRIDDLE IN DISHWASHER.
- Dry immediately and apply a light coating of vegetable oil to griddle before storing.

Using the Griddle:

- Place either side of the griddle centered over the left side gas burners or over the Bridge Burner.
- Preheat the griddle for 5 minutes on medium to medium low setting. Slow preheat ensures even heat distribution during the cooking process.
- DO NOT preheat the griddle on HI setting. Preheating on HI may warp the griddle and prevent even heat distribution.

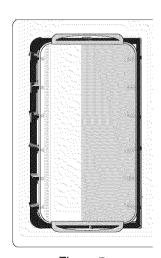


Figure 5

General Care & Cleaning

Cleaning Various Parts of Your Cooktop

Before cleaning any part of the cooktop, be sure all controls are turned OFF and the cooktop is COOL. REMOVE SPILLOVERS AND HEAVY SOILING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. REGULAR CLEANINGS NOW WILL REDUCE THE DIFFICULTY AND EXTENT OF A MAJOR CLEANING LATER.

Surfaces	How to Clean
Aluminum (Trim Pieces) & Vinyl	Use hot, soapy water and a cloth or paper towel. Dry with a clean cloth.
Painted and Plastic Control Knobs, Body Pieces, and Decorative Trim	For general cleaning, use hot soapy water and a cloth. For more difficult soils and built-up grease, apply a liquid detergent directly onto the soil. Leave on soil for 30 to 60 minutes. Rinse with a damp cloth and dry. DO NOT use abrasive cleaners on any of these materials; they can scratch or dull the finish.
Control Panel	Wipe the control panel clean after each use. Before cleaning the control panel, turn all controls to OFF and remove the control knobs. To remove, pull each knob straight off the shaft. Clean using hot, soapy water and a cloth. Be sure to squeeze excess water from the cloth before wiping the panel; especially when wiping around the controls. Excess water in or around the controls may cause damage to the appliance. To replace knobs after cleaning, line up the flat sides of both the knob and the shaft; then push the knob into place.
Stainless Steel, Chrome Decorative Trim	Clean with hot, soapy water and a dishcloth. Rinse with clean water and cloth. Do not use cleaners with high concentrations of chlorides or chlorines . Do not use harsh scrubbing cleaners. Only use kitchen cleaners that are especially made for cleaning stainless steel. Always be sure to rinse the cleaners off from the surface as bluish stains may occur during heating that cannot be removed.
Ceramic-Glass Cooktop	See Ceramic-Glass Cooktop Cleaning and Maintenance section in this Use & Care Guide.
Porcelain Enamel Burner Grates, Burner Pans (some models), Burner Rings (some models), Cooktop Surface	Gentle scouring with a soapy scouring pad will remove most spots. Rinse with a 1:1 solution of clear water and ammonia. <i>If necessary</i> , cover difficult spots with an ammonia-soaked paper towel for 30 to 40 minutes. Rinse with clean water and a damp cloth, and then scrub with a soap-filled scouring pad. Rinse and wipe dry with a clean cloth or paper towel. Remove all cleaners or the porcelain may become damaged during future heating. DO NOT use spray oven cleaners on the cooktop.
Surface Burners	The holes in the burners of your cooktop must be kept clean at all times for proper ignition and a complete, even flame. Clean the burner holes routinely with a small gauge wire or needle and especially after bad spillovers which could clog these holes. To remove and replace burner units per your model, see instructions under General
	Cleaning. To clean, soak the burners in a 1:1 solution of ammonia and water for 30 to 40 minutes. For stubborn stains, scrub with soap and water or a mild abrasive cleanser and damp cloth. Dry the burners thoroughly in a warm oven for 30 minutes. Then replace them, making sure they are seated and level. DO NOT wash burner units in the dishwasher.

General Care & Cleaning (cont'd)

Ceramic Glass Cooktop Cleaning and Maintenance

Consistent and proper cleaning is essential to maintaining your ceramic glass cooktop

Prior to using your cooktop for the first time, apply the recommended CookTop® Cleaning Creme to the ceramic surface (on the web visit **www.sears.com** for replacement cooktop cleaner, item number 40079). Buff with a **non-abrasive** cloth or **no-scratch** cleaning pad. This will make cleaning easier when soiled from cooking. The special cooktop cleaning cream leaves a protective finish on the glass to help prevent scratches and abrasions.

Sliding aluminum or copper clad bottom pans on the cooktop can cause metal markings on the cooktop surface. These marks should be removed **immediately** after the cooktop has cooled using the cooktop cleaning cream. Metal marks can become permanent if not removed prior to future use.

Cookware (cast iron, metal, ceramic or glass) with rough bottoms can mark or scratch the cooktop surface. **Do not slide anything metal or glass** across the cooktop. **Do not** use your cooktop as a cutting board or work surface in the kitchen. **Do not** cook foods directly on the cooktop surface without a pan. **Do not** drop heavy or hard objects on the glass cooktop, because they may cause it to crack.

Cleaning Recommendations for the Ceramic Glass Cooktop

A CAUTION Before cleaning the cooktop, be sure the controls are turned to **OFF** and the cooktop is COOL.

A WARNING DO NOT use a cooktop cleaner on a hot cooktop. The fumes can be hazardous to your health, and can chemically damage the ceramic-glass surface.

For light to moderate soil:

Apply a few drops of CookTop® Cleaning Creme directly to the cooktop. Use a paper towel or use a **non-abrasive** plastic type **no-scratch** cleaning pad to clean the entire cooktop surface. Make sure the cooktop is cleaned thoroughly, leaving no residue.

For heavy, burned on soil:

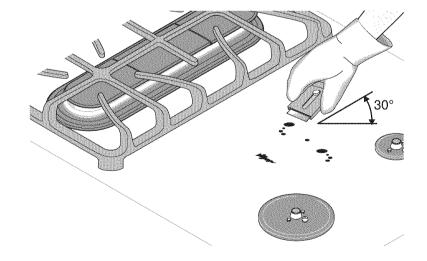
Apply a few drops of CookTop® Cleaning Creme directly to the soiled area. Rub the soiled area using a **non-abrasive** plastic type **no-scratch** cleaning pad, applying pressure as needed. Do not use the pad you use to clean the cooktop for any other purpose.

If soils remain, carefully scrape soils with a metal razor blade scraper, holding scraper at a 30 degree angle to the surface. Remove loosened soils with cooktop cleaning cream and buff surface clean.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Damage to the ceramic glass cooktop may occur if you use an abrasive type scratch pad. Only use cleaning products that have been specifically designed for ceramic glass cooktop.

Plastic or foods with a high sugar content:

These types of soils need be removed immediately if spilled or melted onto the ceramic cooktop surface. Permanent damage (such as pitting of the cooktop surface) may occur if not removed **immediately**. After turning the surface elements OFF, wear a hand mitt and use a razor blade scraper or a metal spatula to scrape the soil from the hot surface (as illustrated). Avoid contact between the mitt and hot surface. Allow the cooktop to cool, and use the same method for heavy or burned on soils.



General Care & Cleaning (cont'd)



Do not use the following on the ceramic glass cooktop:

- Do not use abrasive cleaners and scouring pads, such as metal and some nylon pads. They may scratch the cooktop, making it more difficult to clean.
- Do not use harsh cleaners, such as chlorine bleach, ammonia or oven cleaners, as they may etch or discolor the cooktop.
- Do not use dirty sponges, cloths or paper towels, as they can leave soil or lint on the cooktop which can burn and cause discoloration.

A WARNING DO NOT use a cooktop cleaner on a hot cooktop. The fumes can be hazardous to your health, and can chemically damage the ceramic-glass surface. Do not use commercial oven cleaners on any part of the cooktop. Damage to the finish or parts could result.

Special Caution for Aluminum Foil and Aluminum Cooking Utensils

1) Aluminum foil

Use of aluminum foil will damage the cooktop. Do not use under any circumstances.

2) Aluminum utensils

The melting point of aluminum being much lower than that of other metals, care must be taken when aluminum pots or pans are used. Pans that boil dry may permanently damage cooktop by breaking, fusing to, or marking it.

Care and Cleaning of Stainless Steel (Stainless Steel models only)
Some models are equipped with stainless steel exterior parts. Special care and cleaning are required for maintaining the appearance of stainless parts. Please refer to the table provided at the beginning of the General Care & Cleaning section.

General Care & Cleaning (cont'd)

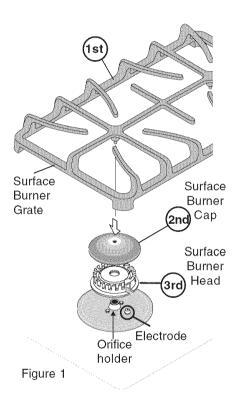
Cleaning the Cooktop, Burner Heads, Caps & Grates

The cooktop is designed to make cleaning easier. Because the gas Burners are sealed, cleanups are easier than with conventional burners.

The cooktop, Burner Heads and Caps should be routinely cleaned. Keeping the Burner Head Ports clean will prevent improper ignition and an uneven flame. Refer to the following instructions:

THE COOKTOP IS NOT REMOVABLE. Do not attempt to remove or lift the cooktop.

A CAUTION Use caution when replacing the Burner Caps so the Electrodes are not damaged. This may cause a delayed ignition or prevent the burner from igniting.



To Remove and Replace the Surface Burner Caps and Burner Heads - Remove in the following order: (1st) surface Burner Grates, (2nd) Burner Caps and (3rd) Burner Heads. Replace in the following order: Burner Heads, Burner Caps and Burner Grates.

PLEASE NOTE: The Bridge Burner Head is not removable.

Do not remove any parts from the cooktop until they have completely cooled and are safe to handle. Do not operate the surface Burners without the Burner Caps and Burner Heads properly in place.

To Clean the surface Burner Caps and Burner Heads- Use a soap-filled scouring pad or a mild abrasive cleanser to clean the surface Burner Caps and Burner Heads. The ports (or slots) around the Burner Heads must be routinely cleaned. If residue still remains in these ports, use a small-gauge wire or needle to clean the slots or holes. For proper flow of gas and ignition of the burner—DO NOT ALLOW SPILLS, FOOD, CLEANING AGENTS OR ANY OTHER MATERIAL TO ENTER THE GAS ORIFICE HOLDER OPENING. ALWAYS keep the surface Burner Caps and Burner Heads in place whenever the gas Burners are in use.

To Clean the Burner Grates- The Burner Grates are dishwasher safe and may be cleaned in the dishwasher. Remove any excessive soils before placing in the dishwasher.

To Clean the Ceramic Glass Cooktop- See Ceramic Glass Cooktop Cleaning & Maintenance on page 12.

Before You Call

Solutions to Common Problems

Before you call for service, review this list. It may save you time and expense. The list includes common occurrences that are not the result of defective workmanship or materials in this appliance.

OCCURRENCE	POSSIBLE CAUSE/SOLUTION
Surface burners do not light.	Surface Control knob has not been completely turned to LITE. Push in and turn the Surface Control knob to LITE until burner ignites and then turn control to desired flame size.
	Be sure gas supply valve is open.
	Burner ports or slots are clogged. With the burner off, use a small-gauge wire or needle to clean ports or slots.
	Power cord is disconnected from outlet (electric ignition models). Be sure cord is plugged securely into outlet.
	Electrical power outage (electric ignition models). Burners can be lit manually. See Setting Surface Controls in this Use & Care Guide.
Surface burner flame burns half way around.	Burner ports or slots are clogged. With the burner off, clean ports and slots with a small-gauge wire or needle.
	Moisture is present after cleaning. To avoid this occurrence dry the burners thoroughly following instructions under General Care & Cleaning .
Surface burner flame is orange.	Dust particles in main line. Allow the burner to operate a few minutes until flame turns blue.
	In coastal areas, a slightly orange flame is unavoidable due to salt air.
Scratches or abrasion on cooktop surface (Ceramic-Glass Cooktop)	Coarse particles such as salt or sand between cooktop and utensil can cause scratches. Be sure cooktop surface and bottoms of utensils are clean before usage. Small scratches do not affect cooking and will become less visible with time.
	Cleaning materials not recommended for ceramic-glass cooktop have been used. See "Ceramic Glass Cooktop Cleaning and Maintenance" section under General Care & Cleaning.
	Cookware with rough bottom has been used. Use smooth, flat-bottomed cookware.
Metalmarks (Ceramic-Glass Cooktop)	Sliding or scraping of metal utensils on cooktop surface. Do not slide metal utensils on cooktop surface. Use ceramic-glass cooktop cleaning cream to remove the marks. See "Ceramic Glass Cooktop Cleaning and Maintenance" section under General Care & Cleaning.
Brown streaks or specks on ceramic glass cooktop surface (Ceramic-Glass Cooktop)	Boilovers are cooked onto surface. Use razor blade scraper to remove soil. See "Ceramic Glass Cooktop Cleaning and Maintenance" section under General Care & Cleaning.
	Cleaning materials not recommended for ceramic-glass cooktop have been used. Use recommended cleaners and cleaning method. See "Ceramic Glass Cooktop Cleaning and Maintenance" section under General Care & Cleaning.
Areas of discoloration with metallic sheen. (Ceramic-Glass Cooktop)	Mineral deposits from water and food. Remove using a ceramic-glass cooktop cleaning cream. To avoid this occurrence use cookware with clean, dry bottoms.

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