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## INSTRUCTIONS

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This is a  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 handle is properly assembled to basket and locked in place. See detailed assembly instructions on page 3.
4. To protect against electrical shock or burns, do not immerse control assembly, cord, or plug in water or other liquid.
5. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
6. The parts which are easy to touch may become hot; keep them out of the reach of babies and children.
7. Do not let children handle or put electrical cords or plugs in their mouths.
8. This appliance is not intended for use by a person (including children) with reduced physical sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given adequate supervision or adequate instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.
12. 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.

13. The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the appliance manufacturer may cause injuries.
14. Do not use a cracked removable pot or a basket having a loose or weakened handle.
15. Do not use outdoors.
16. Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter or touch hot surfaces.
17. Do not place on or near a hot gas or electric burner or in a heated oven.
18. 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.
19. This appliance is not intended to be operated by means of an external timer or a separate remote-control system.
20. Do not use appliance for other than intended use.
21. This appliance is for household use only.

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

### Important Cord and Plug Information

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

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. Connect the power supply cord to a 120VAC electrical outlet only.

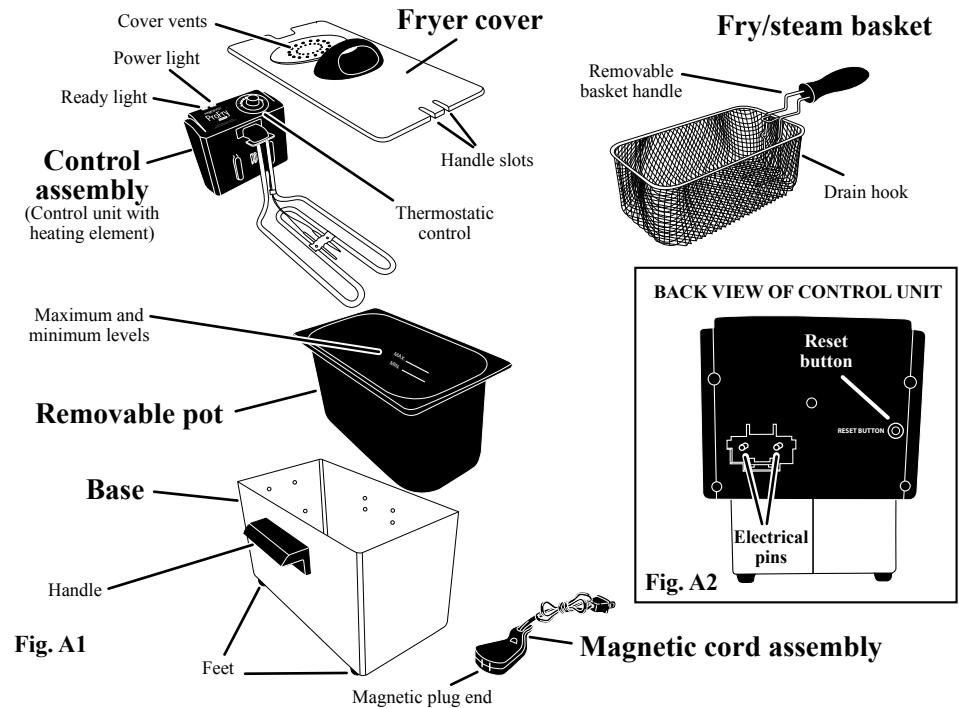
### Before First Use

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 basket 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 basket, and fryer cover in dishwasher or in warm, sudsy water. Rinse and dry thoroughly.

### Reset Button

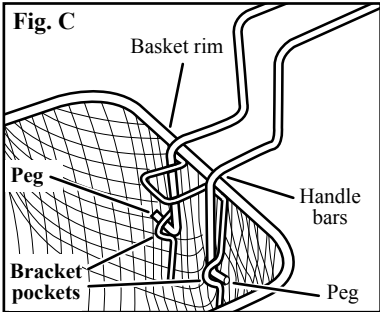
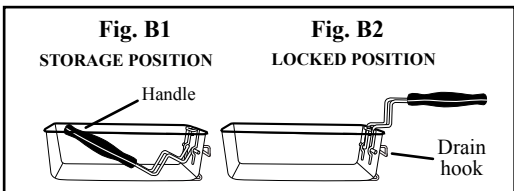
The deep fryer is equipped with a sensor which will automatically shut the unit off if it is overheated. Overheating can occur if the unit is heated without or with insufficient oil or water. It can also occur when using solid fat or older oil that has become thick. Should the unit shut off, unplug and allow the unit to cool. Correct the cause of overheating. Then, with the tip of a small screwdriver, 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.
- ◆ Hot oil can cause serious and painful burns. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
- ◆ 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. Failure to fill the removable pot with oil to the minimum (MIN) fill level 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 MIN and MAX fill levels are embossed inside the removable pot (Fig. A1, page 2). The maximum amount of oil for this fryer is 3.5 liters (118 oz.) and the minimum amount is 3 liters (100 oz.).
  - ◆ Use vegetable oil for deep frying, such as canola, corn, peanut, or soybean. 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 which may 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 raw 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.
  - ◆ 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 handle in the storage position (Fig. B1). When ready to use the basket, lift the handle out of the basket, and while holding the front of the basket, rotate the handle and pull back firmly to the locked position (Fig. B2).

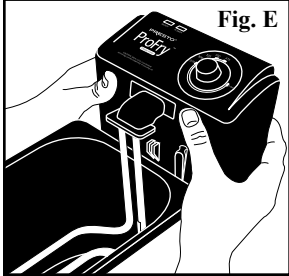
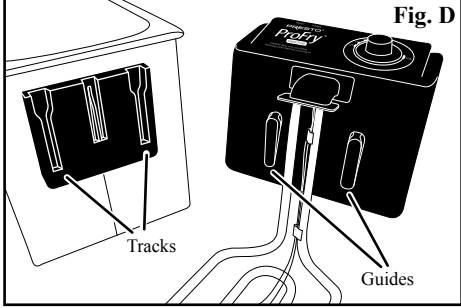
**Caution:** To insure against accidental detachment of handle from basket during use, always make sure both pegs are in the bracket pockets and the handle bars rest against the basket rim (Fig. C).

For compact storage, set basket on countertop and while holding the front of the basket, push the handle forward and fold it into the basket.

### How To Use for Frying

Check the rubber pads on the bottom of the deep fryer base before each use to be sure they are free of oil and other debris. Wipe pads with a warm, soapy cloth if necessary and dry thoroughly.

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.
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. D). Slide the control assembly down (Fig. E) 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 3.5 liters (118 ounces) 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 MAX level mark.



5. Place cover on deep fryer.
6. 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). Note: Be sure the plug side marked “THIS SIDE UP” is facing up as the magnetic plug can only be attached one way.

**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.**

7. Plug cord into a 120VAC electrical wall outlet only. Whenever the unit is plugged in the red power light will be illuminated. **Always make sure fryer and cord are out of reach of children.**
8. Turn the thermostatic control to the desired temperature (see page 5 for proper cooking temperatures). The recommended setting for most frying is 375°F. While oil is heating, the green ready light will be illuminated.
9. When the selected temperature is reached, the green ready light will go out. (Preheat time is approximately 15 minutes.)
10. While oil is heating, prepare food for cooking. Remove excess moisture from food by blotting with toweling—moist foods cause excess foaming and spattering.
11. Assemble basket handle for frying, see page 3.

To insure against accidental detachment of handle from basket during use, always make sure both pegs are in the bracket pockets and the handle bars rest against the basket rim (Fig. C, page 3).

12. Place basket on countertop and fill basket  $\frac{3}{4}$  full with food. (For raw fries, only fill basket  $\frac{1}{3}$  full.)
13. Remove cover from fryer and carefully and slowly lower the basket into the preheated oil until the bottom rests on top of the heating element.

When lowering basket that contains raw fries or high moisture foods, do not allow the oil to bubble up to the rim of the fryer. If it appears that the oil will bubble up to the rim, raise the basket and allow the oil bubbles to subside and then slowly lower the basket again. Repeat until the basket is completely lowered into the fryer. **WHEN FRYING RAW FRIES OR OTHER HIGH MOISTURE FOODS, DO NOT USE THE FRYER COVER!**

For foods other than raw fries and other high moisture foods, position cover on the fryer so the two handle slots are over the basket handle.

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

14. Begin timing. Refer to page 5 for recommended times.  
**Caution: It is normal for steam to escape from the cover vents and handle slots during frying. To prevent steam burns keep hands and face away from the vents and slots.**
15. When frying time has elapsed, remove cover and check that the food is golden brown. Once the food is done, lift the basket and hook it onto the fryer rim to allow oil to drain from food.
16. Carefully lift the basket out of the fryer and empty the food onto absorbent paper. Season to taste.
17. If frying additional food, repeat steps 12 through 15. If ready light is on, allow oil to reheat until ready light goes out.
18. 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:
  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. D and Fig. E, 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 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. Unplug and allow the unit to cool. Correct the cause of overheating. Then, with the tip of a small screwdriver, 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.
- ◆ If the cooking process stops, see #1 and #3 above.
- ◆ 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.

- ◆ If too much food is fried at the same time, the food will not get crisp. For raw fries, do not fill basket more than 1/3 full. For other foods, do not fill basket more than 3/4 full.
- ◆ For crisper foods, fry without the cover.
- ◆ For breading 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 basket; therefore, you may wish to fry these types of foods without the basket. If, however, you want to use the basket, lower the basket into the oil before placing battered foods in the oil. Coated or breaded foods can be fried with or without the basket. When using the fryer without the basket, a heat resistant scoop should be used to add and/or remove foods.
- ◆ Use only heat resistant utensils in the fryer. Hot oil damages most plastic or rubber utensils. 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.
- ◆ 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 raw 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 the basket no more than 3/4 full for most foods.

FOOD	QUANTITY	TEMPERATURE	TIME
<b>Cheese</b> Frozen, nuggets	9 cups	375°F	2 to 3 minutes
<b>Chicken</b> Frozen, nuggets Raw, serving size pieces, breaded	9 cups 4 to 5 pieces	375°F 375°F	3 to 5 minutes 13 to 18 minutes
<b>Donuts*</b> (Fry donuts without basket)	3 to 4	375°F	2 to 3 minutes
<b>Egg Rolls</b> Frozen	3 to 4	375°F	5 to 6 minutes
<b>Fish</b> Frozen, battered/breaded Raw, breaded	3 to 4 pieces 3 to 4 pieces	375°F 375°F	7 to 8 minutes 3 to 4 minutes
<b>Onion rings</b> Frozen, battered/breaded Raw, breaded*	9 cups 3 to 4 large pieces	375°F 375°F	4 to 5 minutes 1½ to 2½ minutes
<b>Potatoes</b> Frozen french fries Raw fries (see page 6)	9 cups 3½ cups (basket 1/3 full)	375°F 350°F 375°F	10 to 12 minutes 3 to 4 minutes 10 to 12 minutes
<b>Shrimp</b> Frozen, battered/breaded Raw, breaded	9 cups 9 cups	375°F 375°F	5 to 7 minutes 3 to 5 minutes
<b>Vegetables</b> Raw, breaded*	5 to 6 pieces	350°F	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 ¼ to ½ 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 basket ½ rather than ¾ full. DO NOT USE THE FRYER COVER.** Lower the filled basket slowly into the oil. If the oil starts to boil up too quickly, lift the basket out of the oil for a couple of seconds, then lower it again. Repeat as necessary until the basket is completely lowered into the fryer.

Fry at 350°F 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°F for 10 to 12 minutes or until golden brown.

## *Crispy Coating*

½ 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  
1½ teaspoons baking powder  
¼ teaspoon salt  
¾ cup milk, minus 1 tablespoon  
1 tablespoon brandy  
1 egg yolk

1 tablespoon butter, melted  
½ tablespoon ground cinnamon  
4 tablespoons sugar  
4-5 apples, peeled, cored, sliced ¼ 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°F 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*

¼ pound fresh sausage (chorizo, Italian, etc.)  
1 cup refried beans  
¼ cup finely chopped onion  
¼ cup diced canned green chiles, drained

¼ pound jalapeño jack cheese, shredded (1-cup)  
8 (7-inch) flour tortillas  
1 tablespoon flour  
2 tablespoons cold water

Cook sausage in a skillet until done, breaking it up as it cooks. Combine sausage, beans, onion, chiles, and cheese in a separate bowl.

*Makes about 1½ 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°F for 2 minutes. Drain on paper towels.

## ***Jalapeño Kickers***

12 fresh jalapeño peppers or 1 (3½-ounce) can jalapeño peppers	2 tablespoons bread crumbs
Cream Cheese	¼ teaspoon onion salt
½ cup flour	⅛ teaspoon garlic salt
1 egg	¼ teaspoon vegetable oil
½ cup milk	¼ 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 ½ 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°F 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)	1 tablespoon chopped pimiento
½ cup crumbled blue cheese (2-ounces)	1 tablespoon chopped chives
1 (3-ounce) package cream cheese	½ cup ground or finely chopped nuts
2 tablespoons milk	2 tablespoons cold water
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce	2 (11-ounce) packages refrigerated breadsticks or corn-bread twists
1 teaspoon lemon juice	

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 breadsticks 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°F for 2 to 3 minutes, turning to brown all sides. Remove from oil and drain on absorbent paper.

*Makes 40*

## ***Crab Fritters***

½ green pepper, finely chopped (about ⅓ cup)	6 ounces frozen or canned crab meat
1 garlic clove, minced	1 teaspoon sherry
3 tablespoons minced parsley	1 teaspoon paprika
2 tablespoons butter	¼ teaspoon cayenne pepper
2 tablespoons olive oil	1 egg, beaten with 1 teaspoon water
½ cup flour	Flour
½ cup milk	Dry bread crumbs

In saucepan, cook green pepper, garlic, and parsley in butter and olive oil until tender. Stir in flour. Add milk, stirring constantly, until mixture thickens. Shred crab meat, removing cartilage. Add crab, sherry, paprika, and cayenne pepper to milk mixture. Chill for 2 hours. Shape into 1-inch balls using a 1-tablespoon scoop. Roll in flour, then dip in egg and water mixture. Roll in crumbs. Refrigerate until time to serve. Deep fry 3 or 4 at a time at 375°F, turning once, until desired brownness is reached. Remove from oil and drain on absorbent paper. Repeat until all are fried.

*Makes about 1½ dozen.*

## ***Short-Cut Donuts with Glaze***

1 (10-biscuit) package Buttermilk Biscuits

Cut centers out of biscuits with a 1-inch cutter. Deep fry three donuts at a time at 375°F for 1½ minutes; turn and fry 1½ minutes more. Fry donut holes for about 2 minutes; turning once.

*Makes 10 donuts and 10 holes*

## Chocolate Glaze

- ½ cup chocolate chips
- 1 tablespoon light corn syrup
- 2 tablespoons milk

Combine chocolate chips, syrup, and milk in a 1½ or 2 cup glass cup; microwave on high for 1 to 1½ minutes; stir until melted. Dip donuts and holes in glaze.

## Maple Glaze

- 1 cup sifted confectioners' sugar
- 3 to 4 tablespoons maple syrup

Combine confectioners' sugar with maple syrup, stirring until smooth. Dip donuts and holes in glaze; set on rack to drain.

## Fruit Glaze

- 2 tablespoons grape, apricot, or peach jam
- 1 cup sifted confectioners' sugar
- 1 to 2 teaspoons milk

Put jam in a glass dish and microwave on high for 15 seconds; stir to melt. Stir in confectioners' sugar, adding milk and stirring until smooth. Dip donuts and holes in glaze. Drain on rack.

## How To Use for Steaming and Boiling

*Note: In order to steam in this fryer, you will need two metal skewers at least 8 inches long. See step 10 below.*

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 3.5 liters (15 cups) 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 3 liters (13 cups) of water for steaming. Do not use less than the minimum.

3. Place the cover on the deep fryer.
4. 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). Note: Be sure the plug side marked "THIS SIDE UP" is facing up as the magnetic plug can only be attached one way.

**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.**

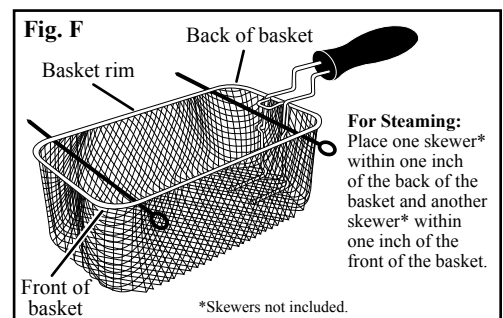
5. Plug cord into a 120VAC electrical wall outlet only. Whenever the unit is plugged in the red power light will be illuminated. **Always make sure fryer and cord are out of reach of children.**
6. Turn the thermostatic control to 275°F and place the cover on the deep fryer.
7. While water is heating, prepare food for cooking.
8. Assemble basket handle for cooking, see page 3.

To insure against accidental detachment of handle from basket during use, always make sure both pegs are in the bracket pockets and the handle bars are against the basket rim (Fig. C and D, page 3).

9. Place basket on countertop and fill basket up to ¾ full with food. **Do not exceed 2 pounds of food in the basket.**
10. When water begins to boil (approximately 9 to 11 minutes), remove cover.

**If boiling**, slowly lower the filled basket into the water until the bottom of the basket rests on top of the heating element.

**If steaming**, you will need two metal skewers at least 8 inches long. Insert the first skewer through an opening in the mesh screen which is directly below the basket rim and within one inch of the back of the basket (the end with the handle). Slide the skewer straight across the basket so the pointed end aligns with the opening in the mesh screen on the opposite side of the basket. Repeat procedure with second skewer except position skewer within one inch of the front of the basket. Inserting the skewers as described above and as shown in Fig. F allows the basket to be suspended into the removable pot for steaming. When the skewers are positioned correctly, the basket should sit level on the rim of the removable pot.





11. Place cover on fryer so the two slots are over the basket handle. (Note: Cover may be at a slight angle). Begin timing; see chart below for recommended times.  
**Caution: Steam will escape from the unit during boiling and steaming. To prevent steam burns keep hands and face away from the escaping steam.**
12. When cooking time has elapsed, remove cover and then remove basket from fryer if the food was steamed. Remove skewers from basket. If food was boiled, lift the basket and hook it onto the fryer rim to allow food to drain.
13. Empty the food into serving bowls. Season to taste.
14. 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.

### Steaming and Boiling Chart

FOOD	Approximate Steaming and Boiling Time
<b>VEGETABLE</b>	
*Asparagus, thin spears	3 to 4 minutes
*Asparagus, thick spears	4 to 5 minutes
*Beans, whole or 1-inch pieces	7 to 8 minutes
*Broccoli, spears or florets	5 to 7 minutes
*Brussels Sprouts, 1 to 1½-inch diameter	9 to 11 minutes
*Cabbage, 2-inch wedge	15 to 20 minutes
*Carrots, whole	18 to 22 minutes
*Carrots, ¼-inch slices	6 to 7 minutes
*Carrots, baby-cut	11 to 14 minutes
*Cauliflower, whole head	18 to 20 minutes
*Cauliflower, florets	7 to 9 minutes
<b>Corn-on-the-cob</b>	10 to 15 minutes
<b>Potatoes, white</b> , small (1 to 2 ounces each) whole	13 to 15 minutes
<b>Potatoes, white</b> , medium, quartered	13 to 15 minutes
<b>Potatoes, sweet</b> , 1-inch slices	17 to 19 minutes
*Rutabaga, ½-inch cubes	15 to 20 minutes
*Turnips, ½-inch cubes	15 to 20 minutes
<b>SEAFOOD</b>	
<b>Shrimp</b> , fresh	4 to 5 minutes
<b>Shrimp</b> , frozen	5 to 7 minutes
<b>Crab Legs</b> , fresh	5 to 7 minutes
<b>Crab Legs</b> , frozen	7 to 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.*

## Care and Cleaning

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, grasping two opposite corners of the removable pot, 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. 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 basket, 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 Lemi Shine® The Hard Water Expert™\*. Do not use bleaching agents to clean the fry/steam basket.

If desired, the basket handle may be removed for cleaning. While the basket is sitting on the countertop, firmly push the handle forward to unlock it. Then squeeze the handle bars together to disengage the pegs from the bracket pockets. After cleaning, reattach handle, making sure both pegs are in the bracket pockets and fold handle into basket for storage (see Fig. B1, page 3).

4. Before reassembling unit, be sure all parts are completely dry (see Caution, 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 (Fig. A1, page 2) to be sure they are secure. Retighten, if necessary, with a standard #2 Phillips head screwdriver.

**CAUTION:** Overtightening (beyond the point they are secure) can result in stripping of screws or cracking of handles. Any other servicing should be performed by an authorized service representative.

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## Consumer Service Information

If you have any questions regarding the operation of your PRESTO® appliance or need parts for your appliance, contact us by any of these methods:

- Call 1-800-877-0441 weekdays 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM (Central Time)
- Email us through our website at [www.GoPresto.com/contact](http://www.GoPresto.com/contact)
- 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 series code for the deep fryer. These numbers can be found on the back of the control assembly.

Please record this information:

Model Number \_\_\_\_\_ Series 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.

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

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### PRESTO® Limited Warranty

This quality PRESTO® 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, call our Consumer Service Department at 1-800-877-0441. If unable to resolve the problem, you will be instructed to send your PRESTO® appliance to the Presto Factory Service Department for a quality inspection; shipping costs will be your responsibility. When returning an appliance, please include a description of the problem and indicate the date the appliance was purchased.

We want you to obtain maximum enjoyment from using this PRESTO® appliance and ask that you read and follow the instructions enclosed. Failure to follow instructions, damage caused by improper replacement parts, abuse, misuse, or neglect 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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