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EN Fridge / User Manual



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# Thank you for choosing this product.

This user manual contains important information on safety and instructions intended to assist you in the operation and maintenance of your appliance.

Please take the time to read this user manual before using your appliance and keep this book for future reference.

Icon	Туре	Meaning
	WARNING	Serious injury or death risk
<u></u>	RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK	Dangerous voltage risk
<u> </u>	FIRE	Warning; Risk of fire / flammable materials
<u></u>	CAUTION	Injury or property damage risk
0	IMPORTANT	Operating the system correctly

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# 1 SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

# 1.1 General Safety Warnings

Read this user manual carefully.

▲ WARNING: Keep ventilation openings, in the appliance enclosure or in the built-in structure, clear of obstruction.

▲ WARNING: Do not use mechanical devices or other means to accelerate the defrosting process, other than those recommended by the manufacturer.

▲ WARNING: Do not use electrical appliances inside the food storage compartments of the appliance, unless they are of the type recommended by the manufacturer.

**A** WARNING: Do not damage the refrigerant circuit.

**A WARNING:** When positioning the appliance, ensure the supply cord is not trapped or damaged.

▲ WARNING: Do not locate multiple portable socketoutlets or portable power supplies at the rear of the appliance.

▲ WARNING: In order to avoid any hazards resulting from the instability of the appliance, it must be fixed in accordance with the instructions.

If your appliance uses R600a as a refrigerant (this information will be provided on the label of the cooler) you should take care during transportation and installation to prevent the cooler elements from being damaged. R600a is an environmentally friendly and

natural gas, but it is explosive. In the event of a leak due to damage of the cooler elements, move your fridge away from open flames or heat sources and ventilate the room where the appliance is located for a few minutes.

- While carrying and positioning the fridge, do not damage the cooler gas circuit.
- Do not store explosive substances such as aerosol cans with a flammable propellant in this appliance.
- This appliance is intended to be used in household and domestic applications such as:
  - staff kitchen areas in shops, offices and other working environments.
  - farm houses and by clients in hotels, motels and other residential type environments.
  - bed and breakfast type environments;
  - catering and similar non-retail applications.
- If the socket does not match the refrigerator plug, it must be replaced by the manufacturer, a service agent or similarly qualified persons in order to avoid a hazard.
- A specially grounded plug has been connected to the power cable of your refrigerator. This plug should be used with a specially grounded socket of 13 amperes. If there is no such socket in your house, please have one installed by an authorised electrician.

- This appliance can be used by children aged from 8 years and above and persons with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities or lack of experience and knowledge if they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance in a safe way and understand the hazards involved. Children shall not play with the appliance. Cleaning and user maintenance shall not be made by children without supervision.
- Children aged from 3 to 8 years are allowed to load and unload refrigerating appliances. Children are not expected to perform cleaning or user maintenance of the appliance, very young children (0-3 years old) are not expected to use appliances, young children (3-8 years old) are not expected to use appliances safely unless continuous supervision is given, older children (8-14 years old) and vulnerable people can use appliances safely after they have been given appropriate supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance. Very vulnerable people are not expected to use appliances safely unless continuous supervision is given.
- If the supply cord is damaged, it must be replaced by the manufacturer, an authorised service agent or similar qualified persons, in order to avoid a hazard.
- This appliance is not intended for use at altitudes exceeding 2000 m.

#### 1.2 Installation warnings

Before using your fridge for the first time, please pay attention to the following points:

- · The operating voltage for your fridge is 220-240 V at 50Hz.
- The plug must be accessible after installation.
- · Your fridge may have an odour when it is operated for the first time. This is normal and the odour will fade when your fridge starts to cool.
- Before connecting your fridge, ensure that the information on the data plate (voltage and connected load) matches that of the mains electricity supply. If in doubt, consult a qualified electrician.
- · Insert the plug into a socket with an efficient ground connection. If the socket has no ground contact or the plug does not match, we recommend you consult a qualified electrician for assistance.
- The appliance must be connected with a properly installed fused socket. The power supply (AC) and voltage at the operating point must match with the details on the name plate of the appliance (the name plate is located on the inside left of the appliance).
- We do not accept responsibility for any damages that occur due to ungrounded usage.
- Place your fridge where it will not be exposed to direct sunlight.
- · Your fridge must never be used outdoors or exposed to rain.
- · Your appliance must be at least 50 cm away from stoves, gas ovens and heater cores, and at least 5 cm away from electrical ovens.
- If your fridge is placed next to a deep freezer, there must be at least 2 cm between them to prevent humidity forming on the outer surface.
- · Do not cover the body or top of fridge with lace. This will affect the performance of your fridge.

- Clearance of at least 150 mm is required at the top of your appliance. Do not place anything on top of your appliance.
- · Do not place heavy items on the appliance.
- Clean the appliance thoroughly before use (see Cleaning and Maintenance).
- · Before using your fridge, wipe all parts with a solution of warm water and a teaspoon of sodium bicarbonate. Then, rinse with clean water and dry. Return all parts to the fridge after cleaning.
- · Use the adjustable front legs to make sure your appliance is level and stable. You can adjust the legs by turning them in either direction. This must be done before placing food in the appliance.
- · Install the two plastic distance guides (the parts on the black vanes -condenser- at the rear) by turning it 90° (as shown in the figure) to prevent the condenser from touching the wall.



 The distance between the appliance and back wall must be a maximum of 75 mm.

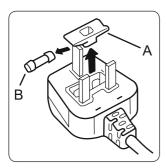
### 1.3 Electrical information (For UK type pluq)

Warning! This appliance must be earthed.

The mains lead of this appliance has been fitted with a specially earthed plug.

 $\frac{4}{1}$  Important: Do not use the appliance without the fuse cover in position. Should the fuse need to be replaced, it must be replaced with a 13A fuse, ASTA approved to BS1362.

The plug must be used with a specially earthed socket of 13 amperes. If there is no such socket in your house, please have one installed by an authorised electrician.



The mains lead of this appliance has been fitted with a BS 1363A 13A fused plug. To change a fuse in this type of plug, follow the steps below:

- 1. Remove the fuse cover and fuse.
- Fit replacement 13A fuse, ASTA approved to BS 1362 type, into the fuse cover.
- 3. Replace fuse cover.

# 1.4 During Usage

- Do not connect your fridge to the mains electricity supply using an extension lead.
- · Do not use damaged, torn or old plugs.
- Do not pull, bend or damage the cord.
- · Do not use plug adapter.
- This appliance is designed for use by adults. Do not allow children to play with the appliance or hang off the door.
- Never touch the power cord/plug with wet hands. This may cause a short circuit or electric shock.
- Do not place explosive or flammable material in your fridge. Place drinks with high alcohol content vertically in the fridge compartment and make sure their tops are tightly closed.

# Old and Out-of-order Fridges

- If your old fridge or freezer has a lock, break or remove the lock before discarding it, because children may get trapped inside it and may cause an accident.
- Old fridges and freezers contain isolation material and refrigerant with CFC. Therefore, take care not to harm

environment when you are discarding your old fridges.

### **CE Declaration of conformity**

We declare that our products meet the applicable European Directives, Decisions and Regulations and the requirements listed in the standards referenced.

### Disposal of your old appliance

The symbol on the product or on its packaging indicates that this product may not be treated as household waste. Instead it shall be handed over to the applicable



collection point for the recycling of electrical and electronic equipment. By ensuring this product is disposed of correctly, you will help prevent potential negative consequences for the environment and human health, which could otherwise be caused by inappropriate waste handling of this product. For more detailed information about recycling of this product, please contact your local city office, your household waste disposal service or the shop where you purchased the product.

### Packaging and the Environment

Packaging materials protect your machine from damage that may occur during transportation. The packaging materials are environmentally friendly as they are recyclable. The use of recycled material reduces raw material consumption and therefore decreases waste production.

#### Notes:

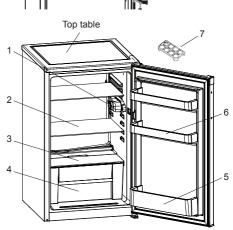
- Please read the instruction manual carefully before installing and using your appliance. We are not responsible for the damage occurred due to misuse.
- Follow all instructions on your appliance and instruction manual, and keep this manual in a safe place to resolve the problems that may occur in the future.
- This appliance is produced to be used in homes and it can only be used in domestic environments and for the specified purposes. It is not suitable for commercial or common use. Such use

- will cause the guarantee of the appliance to be cancelled and our company will not be responsible for any losses incurred.
- This appliance is produced to be used in houses and it is only suitable for cooling / storing foods. It is not suitable for commercial or common use and/or for storing substances except for food. Our company is not responsible for any losses incurred by inappropriate usage of the appliance.

# 2 DESCRIPTION OF THE APPLIANCE

This appliance is not intended to be used as a built-in appliance.

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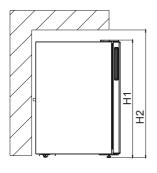


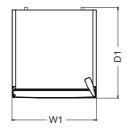
- This presentation is only for information about the parts of the appliance. Parts may vary according to the appliance model.
- 1) Thermostat box
- 2) Refrigerator shelves
- 3) Crisper cover
- 4) Crisper
- 5) Bottle shelf
- 6) Door shelves
- 7) Egg holder

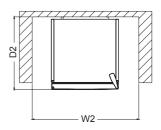
#### General notes:

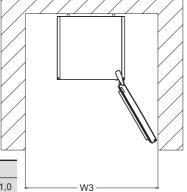
Fresh Food Compartment (Fridge): Most efficient use of energy is ensured in the configuration with the drawers in the bottom part of the appliance, and shelves evenly distributed, position of door bins does not affect energy consumption.

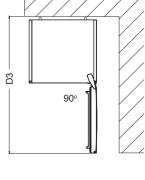
#### 2.1 Dimensions











Overall dimensions <sup>1</sup>			
H1	mm	821,0	
W1	mm	480,0	
D1	mm	500,0	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> the height, width and depth of the appliance without the handle.

Space required in use <sup>2</sup>			
H2	mm	971,0	
W2	mm	580,0	
D2	mm	589,2	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> the height, width and depth of the appliance including the handle, plus the space necessary for free circulation of the cooling air.

# Overall space required in use <sup>3</sup>

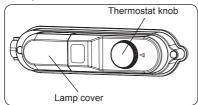
W3	mm	805,2
D3	mm	987,5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> the height, width and depth of the appliance including the handle, plus the space necessary for free circulation of the cooling air, plus the space necessary to allow door opening to the minimum angle permitting removal of all internal equipment.

### **3 USING THE APPLIANCE**

### 3.1 Thermostat Setting

The fridge thermostat automatically regulates the temperature of the compartment. Fridge temperatures can be obtained by rotating the knob to higher numbers, 1 to 5.



### **Thermostat Settings**

- Set the knob to a low/medium position, up to 3, for short-term storage of food in the appliance.
- Set the knob to a medium position, 3 or 4, for long-term storage of food in the appliance.
- For long-term storage of food in the refrigerator, you can set knop maximum position (4 - 5).

Larders (coolers) have not any freezer compartment but can cool up to 4 - 6 °C.

# 3.2 Temperature Settings Warnings

- The ambient temperature, temperature of the freshly stored food and how often the door is opened affects the temperature in the fridge. If required, change the temperature setting.
- It is not recommended that you operate your fridge in environments colder than 10°C in terms of its efficiency.
- When setting the thermostat, take into consideration how often the appliance door is opened and closed, how much food is stored in the refrigerator, and the environment in which the refrigerator is located.
- When the appliance is first switched on, allow it to run for 24 hours in order to reach operating temperature. During this

- time, do not open the door and do not keep a large quantity of food inside.
- Unplug your appliance during a power cut to prevent damage to the compressor.
   Once power is restored, delay plugging in your appliance for 5 to 10 minutes.
   This will help prevent damage to the appliance's components.
- Your appliance is designed to operate in the ambient temperature ranges stated in the standards, according to the climate class stated in the information label. It is not recommended that your fridge is operated in the environments which are outside of the stated temperature ranges. This will reduce the cooling efficiency of the appliance.
- Your appliance is designed to operate in the ambient temperature (T/SN = 10°C - 43°C) intervals stated in the standards, according to the climate class displayed on the information label. We do not recommend operating your appliance out of the stated temperature limits in terms of cooling effectiveness.

### Climate class and meaning:

**T** (tropical): This refrigerating appliance is intended to be used at ambient temperatures ranging from 16 °C to 43 °C.

**ST (subtropical):** This refrigerating appliance is intended to be used at ambient temperatures ranging from 16 °C to 38 °C.

**N** (temperate): This refrigerating appliance is intended to be used at ambient temperatures ranging from 16 °C to 32 °C.

**SN** (extended temperate): This refrigerating appliance is intended to be used at ambient temperatures ranging from 10 °C to 32 °C.

#### **4 FOOD STORAGE**

- To reduce humidity and avoid the consequent formation of frost, always store liquids in sealed containers in the refrigerator. Frost tends to concentrate in the coldest parts of the evaporating liquid and, in time, your appliance will require more frequent defrosting.
- Never place warm food in the refrigerator. Warm food should be allowed to cool at room temperature and should be arranged to ensure adequate air circulation in the refrigerator compartment.
- Make sure no items are in direct contact with the rear wall of the appliance as frost will develop and packaging will stick to it. Do not open the refrigerator door frequently.
- We recommend that meat and clean fish are loosely wrapped and stored on the glass shelf just above the vegetable bin where the air is cooler, as this provides the best storage conditions.
- Store loose fruit and vegetable items in the crisper containers.
- Store loose fruit and vegetables in the crisper.
- Storing fruit and vegetables separately helps prevent ethylene-sensitive vegetables (green leaves, broccoli, carrot, etc.) being affected by ethylenereleaser fruits (banana, peach, apricot, fig etc.).
- Do not put wet vegetables into the refrigerator.
- Storage time for all food products depends on the initial quality of the food and an uninterrupted refrigeration cycle before refrigerator storage.
- To avoid cross-contamination do not store meat products with fruit and vegetables. Water leaking from meat may contaminate other products in the refrigerator. You should package meat products and clean any leakages on the shelves.

- Do not put food in front of the air flow passage.
- Consume packaged foods before the recommended expiry date.
- NOTE: Potatoes, onions and garlic should not be stored in the refrigerator.
- For normal working conditions, it will be sufficient to adjust the temperature setting of your refrigerator to +4 °C.
- The temperature of the fridge compartment should be in the range of 0-8 °C, fresh foods below 0 °C are iced and rotted, bacterial load increases above 8 °C, and spoils.
- Do not put hot food in the refrigerator immediately, wait for the temperature to pass outside. Hot foods increase the degree of your refrigerator and cause food poisoning and unnecessary spoiling of the food.
- Meat, fish, etc. should be store in the chiller compartment of the food, and the vegetable compartment is preferred for vegetables. (if available)
- To prevent cross contamination, meat products and fruit vegetables are not stored together.
- Foods should be placed in the refrigerator in closed containers or covered to prevent moisture and odors.

The table below is a quick guide to show you the most efficient way to store the major food groups in your refrigerator compartment.

Food	Maximum storage time	How and where to store	
Vegetables and fruits	1 week	Vegetable bin	
Meat and fish	2 - 3 days	Wrap in plastic foil, bags, or in a meat container and store on the glass shelf	
Fresh cheese	3 - 4 days	On the designated door shelf	
Butter and margarine	1 week	On the designated door shelf	
Bottled products e.g. milk and yoghurt	Until the expiry date recommended by the producer	On the designated door shelf	
Eggs	1 month	On the designated egg shelf	
Cooked food	2 days	All shelves	

# **5 CLEANING AND** MAINTENANCE

Disconnect the unit from the power supply before cleaning.



Do not wash your appliance by pouring water on it.

Do not use abrasive products, detergents or soaps for cleaning the appliance. After washing, rinse with clean water and dry carefully. When you have finished cleaning, reconnect the plug to the mains supply with dry hands.

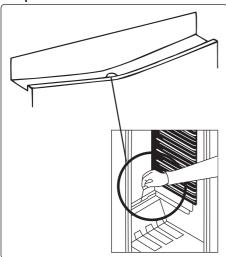
- Make sure that no water enters the lamp housing and other electrical components.
- The appliance should be cleaned regularly using a solution of bicarbonate of soda and lukewarm water.
- · Clean the accessories separately by hand with soap and water. Do not wash accessories in a dish washer.
- · Clean the condenser with a brush at least twice a year. This will help you to save on energy costs and increase productivity.



The power supply must be  $\stackrel{/}{1}$  disconnected during cleaning.

#### 5.1 Defrosting

# Defrosting the Refrigerator Compartment



- Defrosting occurs automatically in the refrigerator compartment during operation. The water is collected by the evaporation tray and evaporates automatically.
- The evaporation tray and the water drain hole should be cleaned periodically with the defrost drain plug to prevent the water from collecting at the bottom of the refrigerator instead of flowing out.
- You can also clean the drain hole by pouring half a glass of water down it.

# **Replacing LED Lighting**

If your appliance has LED lighting contact the help desk as this should be changed by authorized personnel only.

# 6 SHIPMENT AND REPOSITIONING

# 6.1 Transportation and Changing Positioning

- The original packaging and foam may be kept for re-transportation (optional).
- Fasten your appliance with thick packaging, bands or strong cords and follow the instructions for transportation on the packaging.
- Remove all movable parts (shelves, accessories, vegetable bins, and so on) or fix them into the appliance against shocks using bands when re-positioning or transporting.

Always carry your appliance in the upright position.

### 6.2 Repositioning the Door

- It is not possible to change the opening direction of your appliance door if door handles are installed on the front surface of the appliance door.
- It is possible to change the opening direction of the door on models without handles.
- If the door-opening direction of your appliance can be changed, contact the nearest Authorised Service Centre to change the opening direction.

# 7 BEFORE CALLING AFTER-SALES SERVICE

# Your fridge is not operating Check if:

- · There is power
- The plug is correctly connected to the socket
- · The plug or mains fuse has blown
- The socket is faulty. Examine this by plugging your fridge into a working socket.

# The appliance performs poorly Check if:

- · The appliance is overloaded
- · The doors are closed properly
- · There is any dust on the condenser
- There is enough space near the rear and side walls.

### Your fridge is operating noisily

**Motor noise:** Indicates the compressor is operating normally. The compressor may cause more noise for a short time when it is first activated.

**Bubbling noise and splash:** Due to the flow of the refrigerant in the tubes of the system.

**Air blowing noise:** Indicates normal operation of the system due to the circulation of air.

# There is a build-up of humidity inside the cooler

#### Check if:

- All food is packed properly. Containers must be dry before being placed in the fridge.
- The fridge door is opened frequently.
   Humidity of the room enters the fridge
   when the doors are opened. Humidity
   increases faster when the doors are
   opened more frequently, especially if the
   humidity of the room is high.

# The door is not opening and closing properly

#### Check if:

- There is food or packaging preventing the door from closing
- The door compartments, shelves and drawers are placed properly
- · The door joints are broken or torn
- · Your fridge is level.

#### Recommendations

- If the appliance is switched off or unplugged, wait at least 5 minutes before plugging the appliance in or restarting it in order to prevent damage to the compressor.
- If you will not use your fridge for a long time (e.g. in summer holidays) unplug it.
   Clean your fridge according to chapter cleaning and leave the door open to prevent humidity and smell.
- If a problem persists after you have followed all the above instructions, please consult the nearest authorised service centre.
- The appliance you have purchased is designed for domestic use only. It is not suitable for commercial or common use. If the consumer uses the appliance in a way that does not comply with this, we emphasise that the manufacturer and the dealer will not be responsible for any repair and failure within the guarantee period.

#### **8 TIPS FOR SAVING ENERGY**

- Install the appliance in a cool, wellventilated room, but not in direct sunlight and not near a heat source (such as a radiator or oven) otherwise an insulating plate should be used.
- 2. Allow warm food and drinks to cool before placing them inside the appliance.
- Drinks or other liquids should be covered when inside the appliance. If left uncovered, the humidity inside the appliance will increase, therefore the appliance uses more energy. Keeping drinks and other liquids covered helps preserve their smell and taste.
- 4. Avoid keeping the doors open for long periods and opening the doors too frequently as warm air will enter the appliance and cause the compressor to switch on unnecessarily often.
- Keep the covers of the different temperature compartments ( such as the crisper and chiller) closed.
- The door gasket must be clean and pliable. In case of wear, replace the gasket.

#### 9 TECHNICAL DATA

The technical information is situated in the rating plate on the internal side of the appliance and on the energy label.

The QR code on the energy label supplied with the appliance provides a web link to the information related to the performance of the appliance in the EU EPREL database.

Keep the energy label for reference together with the user manual and all other documents provided with this appliance.

It is also possible to find the same information in EPREL using the link https:// eprel.ec.europa.eu and the model name and product number that you find on the rating plate of the appliance.

See the link www.theenergylabel.eu for detailed information about the energy label.

# 10 INFORMATION FOR TEST INSTITUTES

Appliance for any EcoDesign verification shall be compliant with EN 62552. Ventilation requirements, recess dimensions and minimum rear clearances shall be as stated in this User Manual at Chapter 2. Please contact the manufacturer for any other further information, including loading plans.

# 11 CUSTOMER CARE AND SERVICE

Always use original spare parts.

When contacting our Authorised Service Centre, ensure that you have the following data available: Model, Serial Number and Service Index.

The information can be found on the rating plate. You can find the rating label inside the fridge zone on the left lower side.

The original spare parts for some specific components are available for a minimum of 7 or 10 years, based on the type of component, from the placing on the market of the last unit of the model.

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