Toastmaster TM544CMKL

Toastmaster 5-Cup Coffee Maker User Manual

Model: TM544CMKL

Introduction

Thank you for purchasing the Toastmaster 5-Cup Coffee Maker. This manual provides important information regarding the safe operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your new appliance. Please read these instructions thoroughly before using the coffee maker and retain them for future reference.

Important Safeguards

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and/or injury to persons, including the following:

- Read all instructions.
- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- To protect against electric shock, do not place cord, plugs, or coffee maker in water or other liquid.
- Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
- 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.
- Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug or after the appliance malfunctions, or has been damaged in any manner. Return appliance to the nearest authorized service facility for examination, repair, or adjustment.
- The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the appliance manufacturer may result in fire, electric shock, or injury to persons.
- Do not use outdoors.
- Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter, or touch hot surfaces.
- Do not place on or near a hot gas or electric burner, or in a heated oven.
- Always attach plug to appliance first, then plug cord into the wall outlet. To disconnect, turn any control to "off", then remove plug from wall outlet.
- Do not use appliance for other than intended use.

- Scalding may occur if the lid is removed during the brewing cycle.
- The carafe is designed for use with this appliance. It must never be used on a range top.
- Do not place a hot carafe on a wet or cold surface.
- Do not use a cracked carafe or a carafe having a loose or weakened handle.
- Do not clean carafe with cleansers, steel wool pads, or other abrasive material.

Product Components

Familiarize yourself with the parts of your Toastmaster 5-Cup Coffee Maker:

- Water Reservoir with Full View Water Window
- Flip Top Lid
- Swing-Out Brew Basket
- Glass Carafe with Lid
- Warming Plate
- Illuminated Power Switch



Figure 1: Front view of the Toastmaster 5-Cup Coffee Maker with the glass carafe in position. This image shows the compact design and the illuminated power switch.



Figure 2: The coffee maker with the glass carafe removed, revealing the warming plate and the space for the brew basket. This view highlights the separate components for easy cleaning and filling.



Figure 3: A close-up of the glass carafe, showing the measurement markings for up to 5 cups and the ergonomic handle. The lid is also visible, designed for pouring and retaining heat.

Setup and First Use

1. **Unpacking:** Carefully remove the coffee maker from its packaging. Remove all packing materials, labels, and stickers.
2. **Initial Cleaning:** Before first use, wash the glass carafe and the swing-out brew basket in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry. Wipe the exterior of the coffee maker with a damp cloth.
3. **First Brew Cycle (Cleaning):**

- Fill the water reservoir with cold water up to the 5-cup mark.
- Place the empty swing-out brew basket into its position. Do not add coffee grounds.
- Place the glass carafe with its lid on the warming plate.
- Plug the coffee maker into a standard electrical outlet.
- Press the illuminated power switch to turn the unit on. Allow the full cycle to complete.
- Discard the water from the carafe. Repeat this process once or twice to ensure the system is clean.

Operating Instructions

1. **Prepare for Brewing:**
    - Ensure the coffee maker is unplugged.
    - Open the flip top lid and fill the water reservoir with the desired amount of cold water using the glass carafe. Refer to the water level markings on the carafe and the full view water window. Do not exceed the 5-cup maximum fill line.
    - Swing out the brew basket. Insert a standard basket-style paper filter or use the reusable filter (if included).
    - Add the desired amount of ground coffee into the filter. A general guideline is one level tablespoon of ground coffee per cup, but adjust to your personal taste.
    - Close the swing-out brew basket securely.
    - Place the glass carafe with its lid firmly on the warming plate. Ensure it is properly seated to activate the "Pause and Serve" function.
2. **Start Brewing:**
    - Plug the power cord into a standard 120V AC electrical outlet.
    - Press the illuminated power switch to the "ON" position. The light will illuminate, indicating that the brewing cycle has begun.
3. **Pause and Serve Function:**
    - This feature allows you to pour a cup of coffee before the brewing cycle is complete. Simply remove the carafe from the warming plate. The flow of coffee will temporarily stop.
    - Return the carafe to the warming plate within 20 seconds to prevent overflow from the brew basket. Brewing will resume automatically.
4. **After Brewing:**
    - Once the brewing cycle is complete, the coffee maker will automatically switch to the "keep warm" mode. The illuminated power switch will remain lit.
    - For optimal coffee flavor, do not keep coffee on the warming plate for more than one hour.
    - To turn off the coffee maker, press the illuminated power switch to the "OFF" position. Unplug the appliance from the outlet when not in use.

Cleaning and Maintenance

Regular cleaning helps maintain the performance and longevity of your coffee maker.

Daily Cleaning:

1. Always unplug the coffee maker and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.

2. Remove the glass carafe and the swing-out brew basket. Discard used coffee grounds and filter.
3. Wash the carafe and brew basket in warm, soapy water. These parts are also top-rack dishwasher safe. Rinse thoroughly.
4. Wipe the exterior of the coffee maker, warming plate, and water reservoir area with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads.
5. Never immerse the main unit, cord, or plug in water or any other liquid.

Decalcification (Mineral Deposit Removal):

Mineral deposits (calcium) can build up in your coffee maker over time, affecting its performance and coffee taste. Decalcify your coffee maker every 80 brew cycles or at least once a month, more often if you have hard water.

1. Fill the carafe with one part white vinegar and two parts cold water.
2. Pour the vinegar-water mixture into the water reservoir.
3. Place a paper filter (without coffee grounds) in the brew basket and close it.
4. Place the empty carafe on the warming plate.
5. Turn on the coffee maker and allow half of the mixture to brew through.
6. Turn off the coffee maker and let it stand for 15-20 minutes to allow the vinegar to work on the deposits.
7. Turn the coffee maker back on and allow the remaining mixture to brew through.
8. Discard the mixture from the carafe.
9. Run 2-3 full cycles of clean cold water through the coffee maker to rinse out any remaining vinegar taste or odor.

Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Coffee does not brew.	• Coffee maker not plugged in. • Power switch is off. • Water reservoir is empty. • Carafe not properly seated.	• Plug in the coffee maker. • Turn the power switch to "ON". • Fill the water reservoir with cold water. • Ensure carafe is correctly placed on the warming plate.
Coffee overflows from brew basket.	• Too much coffee grounds used. • Filter is clogged or collapsed. • Carafe removed for too long during "Pause and Serve". • Coffee maker needs decalcifying.	• Reduce amount of coffee grounds. • Use a fresh, properly seated filter. • Return carafe to warming plate within 20 seconds. • Perform decalcification process.
Coffee tastes weak or too strong.	• Incorrect coffee-to-water ratio. • Coffee grounds too coarse/fine. • Coffee maker needs cleaning.	• Adjust coffee grounds amount to taste. • Use medium grind coffee. • Clean or decalcify the coffee maker.

Specifications

Feature	Detail

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Brand	Toastmaster
Model Number	TM544CMKL
Capacity	5 Cups
Color	Black
Coffee Maker Type	Drip Coffee Machine
Filter Type	Reusable (or paper filter compatible)
Included Components	Carafe
Operation Mode	Fully Automatic
Human Interface Input	Buttons
Item Weight	2.81 pounds
Package Dimensions	10.24 x 9.37 x 6.65 inches
UPC	655772018632

Warranty and Support

Toastmaster products are manufactured to the highest quality standards. For specific warranty information, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Toastmaster website. Do not attempt to repair the appliance yourself. For service or support, please contact Toastmaster customer service.
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