

***Dear customer:***

Thank you for buying this upright refrigerator. To ensure that you get the best results from your new refrigerator, please take time to read through the simple instructions in this booklet.

Please make sure that the packing material is disposed of in accordance with the current environmental requirements.

As old refrigerator equipment may contain CFC's which will damage the ozone layer, please contact your local waste disposal department for advice on safe disposal.

**CAUTION**

The appliance is not intended for use by young children or infirm persons without supervision.

Young children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.

This appliance is designed for indoor use only, in a room temperature environment.

**NOTE:**

This appliance must be only used for its intended purpose.

**WARNING: if the appliance is too heavy to be safely moved by one person, use a dolly. Failure**

**to do so can result in back or other injury.**

### **INSTALLATION AND OPERATION**

Place your appliance in a location that is strong enough to support its total weight, keeping in mind that it will weigh substantially more when fully loaded than when empty.

In order to prevent vibration and noise, the refrigerator should be leveled by adjusting the front leveling legs.

Please note that this appliance is designed for “**free-standing**” use only. Choose a well ventilated location with at least 2-3 inches of clearance around the appliance.

Locate the appliance out of direct sunlight and away from heat sources such as an oven or boiler.

For your safety, please read the following information.

**Warning: This appliance must be installed on a circuit that is grounded.**

#### **Operation**

Before plugging in your refrigerator for the first time remove all packaging, clean the refrigerator with a soft rag and a mixture of lukewarm water and baking soda (2 tablespoons baking soda in 1 quart of water works well) . Wipe dry with soft cloth.

## **Temperature Control**

The temperature in the appliance is controlled by the thermostat control knob located in the lower (refrigerator) section. Turn the thermostat control knob to regulate the temperature inside the unit. The knob has markings to indicate the relative temperature settings, but in general, turning the knob counter-clockwise corresponds to warmer temperatures; turning the knob clockwise corresponds to colder temperatures.

The thermostat control has essentially 7 settings (Off + 1 through 6). "6" is the coldest setting. We suggest initially setting the unit on "3". After 24 hours, the unit should reach and maintain the temperature associated with the "3" setting. If this is adequate for your needs, good. If not, you may adjust the temperature warmer or colder.

Please note that this refrigerator has two compartments; the lower compartment is a refrigerator and the upper compartment is a freezer. The thermostat temperature control in the lower compartment controls the temperature in both compartments.

Please also note that the upper (freezer) compartment is a true 0°F freezer- if you set the temperature control appropriately (i.e. to a low enough setting), you may safely store ice cream and dairy products.

## **The Light**

This unit incorporates a 15-watt appliance bulb in the refrigerator section. When the refrigerator door is open, the bulb will turn on. When the refrigerator door is closed, the light will remain off.

## **Changing the light bulb**

If the light does not turn on when the refrigerator door is open:

- Unplug the refrigerator.
- Check to make sure that the light bulb is firmly screwed in. If it is not screwed in firmly, screw it in, then plug in the refrigerator and test the bulb (by opening the door).
- If the above does not solve the problem, make sure the refrigerator is unplugged.
- Unscrew the light bulb. Purchase a replacement light bulb (15-watt appliance light bulb). NOTE: it is best to take the burned-out bulb with you to help you select the appropriate replacement bulb. Not all bulbs will fit this application.

- Screw in the replacement bulb in the place of the old bulb.
- Plug in the refrigerator and test the new bulb.

### **Storing Fresh Food**

Wrap or store food in the refrigerator in airtight and moisture-proof material. This prevents odor and taste transfer throughout the refrigerator.

Follow all producer recommendations re: food storage and spoilage.

### **Storing Frozen Food**

When using the refrigerator for the first time or after defrosting, turn the temperature control to the coldest setting for at least two hours before introducing the food to be stored.

All frozen food products you purchase should be placed in the freezer as soon as possible to avoid the frozen food from defrosting.

Storage recommendations printed on the packaging of frozen food by manufacturers should be always be followed.

### **Freezing Fresh Food**

Make sure that your freezing operations are carried out under the most hygienic conditions as freezing

alone does not sterilize the food. It is best to freeze the food by packing it into separate meal portions and not in bulk form. Never put hot or warm foodstuffs into the refrigerator. Prior to storing the fresh food, pack it in plastic bags, aluminum sheets or freezing containers and place into the refrigerator.

### **Defrosting**

NEVER DEFROST THE UNIT BY USING A METAL TOOL (E.G., ICE PICK, SCREWDRIVER) TO SCRAPE OR CHIP OFF THE ICE.

You may defrost this refrigerator once every few months or whenever ¼” of frost develops in on the walls. Frost will likely develop more quickly in the freezer section than in the refrigerator section. The refrigerator section incorporates automatic defrosting under most ambient conditions. However, under some conditions, frost may build up in the refrigerator section as well as the freezer section.

Remove the electrical plug from the wall socket, open the door and remove all contents. Defrost using a plastic scraper, or let the temperature rise naturally until the frost melts, then wipe away the remaining ice and water. You may also want to clean the unit at this time. Once you have finished, plug the refrigerator back in and make sure the

temperature knob is still set where you would like it to be set.

The colder the settings, the more frost will build up. Additionally, the more humid the ambient conditions, the more frost will build up. Keep the door closed as much as possible and avoid opening the door unless necessary to minimize frost build-up.

### **Cleaning your refrigerator**

Before you start to clean your refrigerator, remove the electrical plug from the power supply. You may want to defrost the refrigerator at this time. If so, follow the above instructions.

To clean the refrigerator, use a soft rag and a mixture of lukewarm water and baking soda (2 tablespoons baking soda in 1 quart of water works well). Clean the refrigerator and then dry it with a soft cloth.

### **Storage**

If the refrigerator is not in use for a long period of time, it should be stored.

Disconnect the refrigerator from the power supply by removing the plug from the wall socket.

Defrost, clean and dry the inside.

Leave the doors open to prevent any unpleasant smells from building up while the refrigerator is not in use.

CAUTION: store the unit in a way so that children will not play with it- there is a danger of child entrapment within the unit!

### **TROUBLESHOOTING**

Please check the following points:

*The refrigerator is not working*

- Check that the plug is inserted correctly into the wall socket
- Check that there is power to the wall socket by plugging in another appliance.
- Check the fuse.
- Check that the thermostat control is not “Off”

*The light does not work*

- Check that the plug is inserted correctly into the wall socket
- Check that there is power to the wall socket by plugging in another appliance.
- Check the fuse.
- Check to see if the light bulb is loose in the socket
- The light bulb may be burnt out. Change it (directions above).

*Food in the refrigerator compartment is freezing*

- Make sure that food is not touching the back wall of the refrigerator (this could cause the food to freeze).



- Turn the thermostat to a warmer setting.

*Food in the refrigerator compartment is not cold*

- Make sure the food has been in the compartment for long enough to get cold (5-12 hours or more).
- There is not enough room for airflow inside the refrigerator. Move items or remove items to facilitate airflow.
- The door is open or does not close properly. Check the door gasket and make sure the door always closes completely.
- The thermostat knob is on too low a setting. Set it to a colder setting.
- Make sure the unit has adequate ventilation around it for hot air to escape.
- The door has been opened and closed too often. Minimize the opening and closing of the door.

*Melted frost is leaking inside the refrigerator or on the floor*

- Make sure the drain mouth inside the refrigerator is not blocked
- Make sure the drain pan behind the unit is in place on top of the compressor.

*The refrigerator is noisy when running*

- Check to make sure that the refrigerator is level and it is not in contact with another appliance

or furniture.

- Note: a gentle trickling sound is normal; this is likely coolant in the sealed system or condensate water from the unit

### LIMITED WARRANTY

This EdgeStar product is warranted to be free from defective workmanship and materials for the first year following the date of original purchase. Replacement parts will be supplied free of charge for the first year following the date of original purchase. Labor will be performed free of charge for the first 90 days following the date of original purchase.

#### WHAT IS COVERED:

This warranty applies to the original purchaser only, and only covers defects in workmanship experienced during operation of the product under normal service, maintenance, and usage conditions. This warranty applies to the purchase and use of this product in residential settings within the United States of America.

#### WHAT IS NOT COVERED:

The following limitations apply to the coverage of this warranty: Optional accessories, attachments, and appearance items are excluded from warranty coverage, as is shipping damage, and any damage caused by improper voltage or any other misuse, including abnormal service, handling, or usage.

This warranty does not cover normal wear and tear on parts or

replacement of parts designed to be replaced, e.g. filters, etc.

This warranty does not cover service trips to deliver, pick-up, repair, or install the product, or to instruct in proper usage of the product.

Damages or operating problems resulting from abuse, operation outside environmental specifications, uses contrary to instructions provided in the owner's manual, accidents, vermin, fire, flood, improper installation, unauthorized service, acts of God, unauthorized installation or modification, or commercial use are excluded from warranty coverage.

Damage or loss of items stored inside the appliance are excluded from warranty coverage.

This warranty does not cover labor incurred 91 days or more after the date of original purchase.

This warranty does not cover use of EdgeStar products in commercial settings.

#### DESCRIPTION OF WARRANTY SERVICE:

All defective product components covered by this warranty will be repaired or replaced, at EdgeStar's option, free of charge on a mail-in basis to EdgeStar's authorized repair facility during the first 90 days from the date of original purchase.

All defective product components covered by this warranty will be repaired or replaced, at EdgeStar's option, on a mail-in basis to EdgeStar's authorized repair facility during the time period beginning on the 91<sup>st</sup> day from the date of original purchase and ending one year from the date of original purchase. During this time period, parts will be supplied free of charge, but labor charges will apply.

All replacement parts and units will be new, remanufactured, or refurbished.

All products and components replaced by EdgeStar under warranty service become the property of EdgeStar.

**OBTAINING WARRANTY SERVICE:**

Contact EdgeStar for troubleshooting assistance and warranty service authorization at 1-866-319-5473. Please have your order receipt available to confirm the date of purchase.

Once an EdgeStar authorized representative has confirmed that your product is eligible for warranty service, the product must be returned to an EdgeStar authorized repair facility.

The purchaser is solely responsible for prepaying all shipping related costs to and from the repair facility.

EdgeStar is not responsible for damage resulting from shipper mishandling or improper packaging.

Do not return defective product to the place of purchase.

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