

USER'S GUIDE



Installer: Please leave this manual with this appliance.

Consumer: Please read and keep this manual for future reference. Keep sales receipt and/or cancelled check as proof of purchase.

Model Number

Serial Number

Date of Purchase

In our continuing effort to improve the quality and performance of our appliances, it may be necessary to make changes to the appliance without revising this guide.

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IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Warning and Important Safety Instructions appearing in this manual are not meant to cover all possible conditions and situations that may occur. Common sense, caution and care must be exercised when installing, maintaining or operating this appliance.

Always contact your dealer, distributor, service agent or manufacturer about problems or conditions you do not understand.

RECOGNIZE SAFETY SYMBOLS, WORDS, LABELS

⚠ DANGER

DANGER – Immediate hazards which **WILL** result in severe personal injury or death.

⚠ WARNING

WARNING – Hazards or unsafe practices which **COULD** result in severe personal injury or death.

⚠ CAUTION

CAUTION – Hazards or unsafe practices which **COULD** result in minor personal injury or product or property damage.

⚠ WARNING

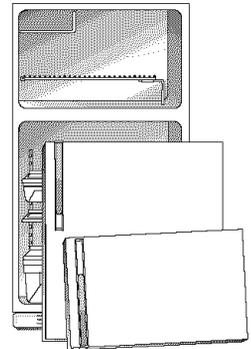
➤ **When using your appliance, always follow basic precautions.**

- Use the refrigerator only for its intended purpose.
- To prevent possibility of hazard due to electrical shock, never plug the refrigerator into a receptacle which has not been grounded adequately and in accordance with the local and national electrical codes. See ⚠ warning and the grounding instructions that follow.
- Unplug the refrigerator before cleaning or replacing a light bulb.
- In case of power failure, minimize door openings. If the power failure is of a long duration, protect the food by placing blocks of dry ice on top of the packages or check with a local frozen foods locker about temporary storage. Frozen foods which have thawed completely should not be refrozen.
- Any electrical service cord that becomes frayed or damaged should be immediately repaired or replaced. Never unplug your appliance by pulling on the power cord.
- Your refrigerator should not be operated in the presence of explosive fumes.
- Children should not climb, hang or stand on the shelves of this refrigerator.

IMPORTANT: Child entrapment and suffocation are not problems of the past. Junked or abandoned refrigerators are still dangerous...even if they will sit for "just a

few days." If you are getting rid of your old refrigerator, please follow the instructions below to help prevent accidents.

- Take off the doors.
- Leave the shelves in place so that children may not easily climb inside.

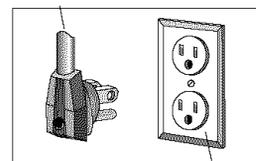


⚠ WARNING

- **This appliance is designed to operate on a normal 115 volt, 15 amp, 60 cycle line. There should be a separate, grounded circuit serving this appliance only. Do not use an extension cord. Do not use any device that will alter the electrical performance of this appliance.**

This appliance is equipped with a three-pronged grounding plug for your protection against possible electrical shock hazards. It must be plugged into a grounding receptacle. Where a standard two-prong wall receptacle is encountered, it is the personal responsibility and obligation of the customer to have it replaced with a properly grounded three-prong wall receptacle. Do not under any circumstances, cut or remove the third (ground) prong from the power cord. Do not use an adapter plug.

POWER SUPPLY CORD WITH 3-PRONG GROUNDING PLUG



GROUNDING TYPE WALL RECEPTACLE

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

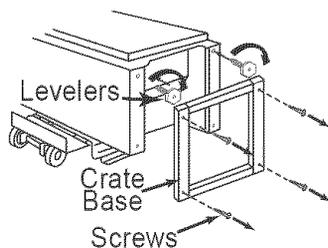
INSTALLATION

LOCATION

- Allow for a free flow of air through the front base grille.
- Install the refrigerator where the room temperature will not go below 55° F. With temperatures below 55° F, the refrigerator will not run frequently enough to maintain proper temperature in the freezer.
- Allow a minimum ½" clearance on the sides, top and back for ease of installation. If refrigerator is placed with the door hinge side against a wall, you may want to allow additional space or reverse the door swing (see page 4) so the door can be opened wider.
- Use caution when installing the unit on vinyl or hardwood floors so as not to mark or otherwise damage the flooring. A piece of plywood, a rug or other material should be used to protect the floor while positioning the unit.
- Refrigerator should remain upright for at least 30 minutes before plugging in.

UNCRATE

- Remove and retain levelers attached to crate base.
- Remove and discard crate base and screws.
- Using slip joint pliers, install levelers all the way into holes located in the front corners of the cabinet.



Your new refrigerator was packed carefully for shipment. Remove and discard shelf packing clips (if used) located just above each shelf where they hook onto the frame. To remove plastic clips wiggle the clips sideways and pull straight out.

LEVELING

To enhance appearance and maintain performance, the refrigerator should be level. Depending on the model, the refrigerator can be leveled in one of two ways.

- All refrigerator models have leveling screws at the base of the cabinet beneath each front corner. Levelers can be adjusted by turning in or out as required. If the floor is not level and it is necessary to raise the rear of the cabinet, use a piece of plywood or other shim material. To lock the cabinet into place, turn down both leveling screws. (See figure 1.)

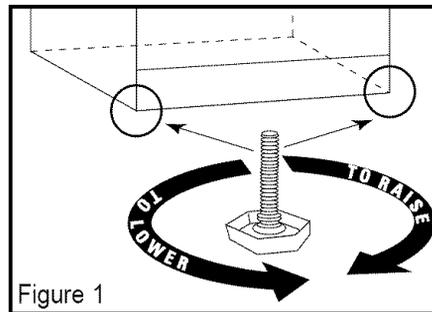


Figure 1

- Some refrigerator models have adjustable wheels and can be leveled by removing the base grille* and adjusting the wheels with a ¼" socket or screwdriver. (See figure 2.)

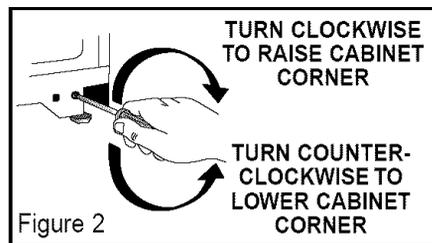
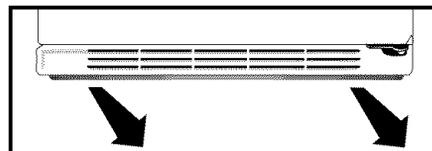


Figure 2

- * To remove the base grille, grasp both ends and pull straight out. To replace, align the spring clips with the round openings in the cabinet and push each end in until the grille locks into place.

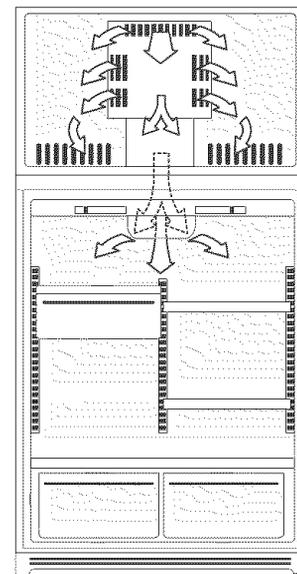


- For best results, after leveling the cabinet, open and close the doors, then relevel.

ENSURE PROPER AIR CIRCULATION

In order to ensure proper temperatures, you need to permit air flow between the refrigerator and freezer sections. As shown in the illustration.

DO NOT block any of these vents with food packages. If the vents are blocked, airflow will be prevented and temperature and moisture problems may occur.



IMPORTANT: Do not remove foam insulation from the vents located in the ceiling of the fresh food compartment.



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INSTALLATION, CONT.

TOP-MOUNT HANDLE

REFRIGERATOR DOOR HANDLE WITHOUT EXTENSION TRIM

1 ALIGN HANDLE OVER SCREW HOLES. FIRST INSTALL THE "A" SCREW TO SECURE HANDLE, FOLLOWED BY THE "B" SCREW. **DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN.**

2 INSTALL SCREW IN HANDLE HOLE. **DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN.**

3 SNAP EXTENSION INTO PLACE AT THE BOTTOM OF THE HANDLE.

NO. 2 PHILLIPS SCREW DRIVER IS REQUIRED FOR INSTALLATION.

TOP MOUNT HANDLE INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS TOP OF FREEZER DOOR

ALIGN HANDLE OVER SCREW HOLES. FIRST INSTALL THE "A" SCREWS TO SECURE HANDLE, FOLLOWED BY THE "B" SCREWS. **DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN.**

NOTE: ALL HANDLE TIE DOWN SCREW HOLES AT THE TOP AND BOTTOM OF THE DOORS ARE SIZED FOR SELF THREADING SCREWS. **DO NOT** DRILL THEM TO A LARGER SIZE.

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3 SLIDE HANDLE EXTENSION OVER BRACKET AT BOTTOM OF DOOR.

4 ON CERTAIN MODELS REMOVE BACKING FROM TAPE. **AFTER STEP 5** APPLY PRESSURE.

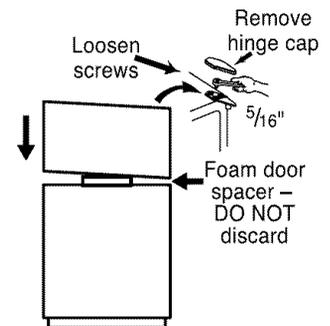
5 SNAP TOP OF EXTENSION INTO PLACE AT THE BOTTOM OF THE HANDLE.

DOOR ADJUSTMENT

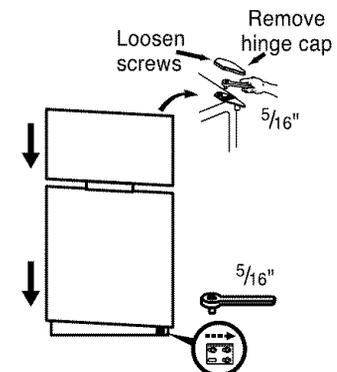
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Door should be level when the cabinet is level.

- The freezer door is too high.

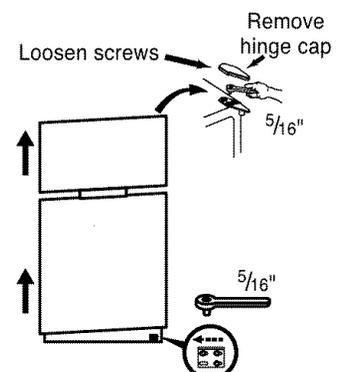


- Both doors are too high.



Loosen screws and slide lower hinge right to lower doors.

- Both doors are too low.



Loosen screws and slide lower hinge left to raise doors.

- Retighten screws after making adjustments.

* Refer to installation instructions for more information.

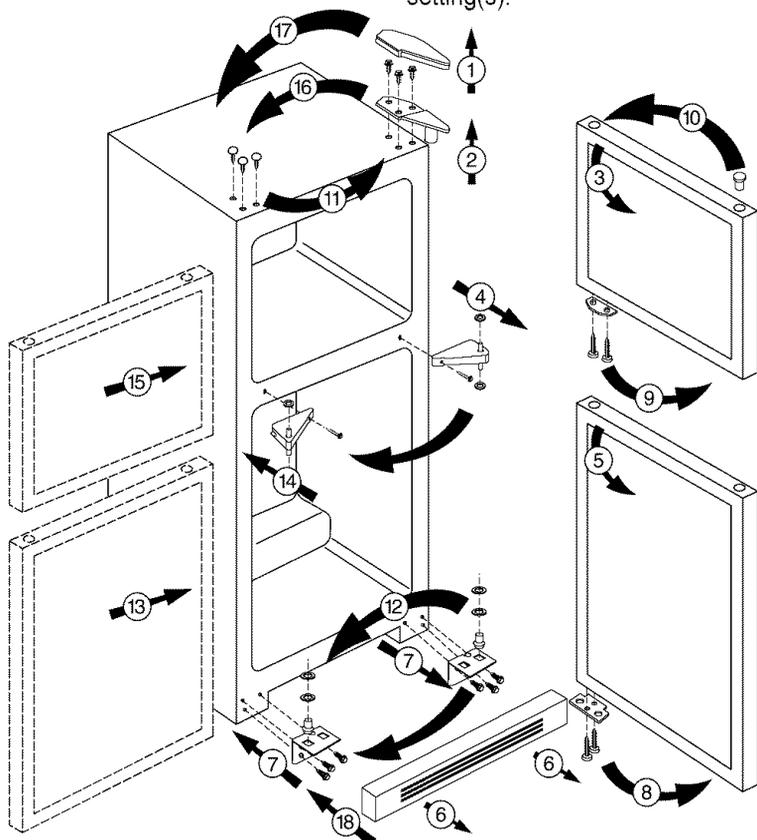
REVERSING DOORS

Tools Required: Phillips screwdriver, 5/16" socket and ratchet, putty knife or 5/16" end wrench.

1. Remove the hinge cap and set aside.
2. Remove screws and hinge with a 5/16" socket wrench and set aside.
3. Carefully lift and remove freezer door.
4. Remove screw and hinge arm from top of the refrigerator door.
5. Carefully lift and remove refrigerator door.
6. Remove grille cover and set aside.
7. Remove hinge plate from lower corner of refrigerator and secure it on the opposite side.
8. Remove the plate from the underside of the refrigerator door and secure it on the opposite side.
9. Remove the plate from the underside of the freezer door and secure it on the opposite side.

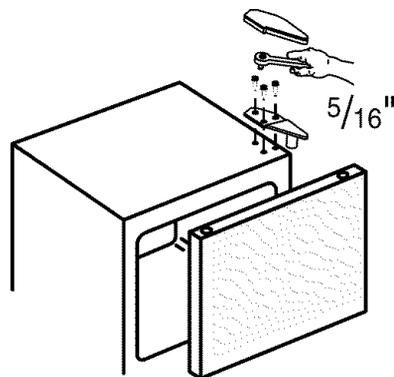
10. Remove the plug buttons from tops of freezer and refrigerator doors and replace them on the opposite side.
11. Remove screw hole plugs from top of cabinet and replace on the opposite side.
12. Remove washers and stem from the inside of the hinge plate and place them on the outside of the hinge plate.
13. Carefully replace refrigerator door on the hinge plate in lower corner.
14. Slide the hinge arm into place and secure with screw.
15. Carefully place freezer door on top of hinge arm use foam door spacer to set gap.*
16. Slide top hinge into place on freezer door and secure screws with 5/16" wrench.
17. Snap hinge cap securely in place.
18. Replace grille cover.

Remember to plug in your refrigerator and reset the controls to the appropriate setting(s).

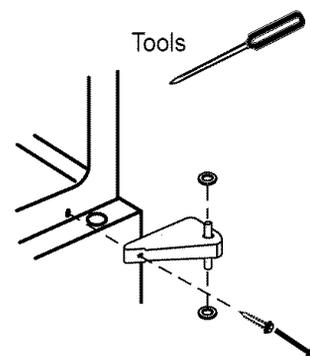


REMOVING DOORS

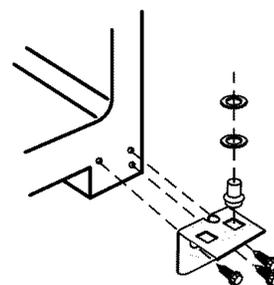
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Rest door on a non-scratching surface.

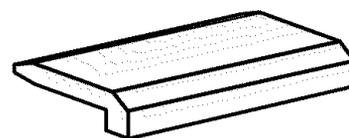


- A. Remove left screw.
- B. Open door and lift. Rest door on a non-scratching surface.



Remove hinge plate assembly. Rest door on a non-scratching surface.

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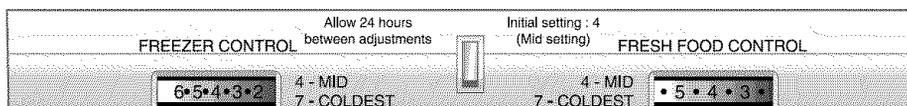


Do not discard the foam door spacer. Doors may settle with use.

TEMPERATURE CONTROLS

Depending on the model, the style of the controls will vary. The controls are located at the top of the fresh food compartment.

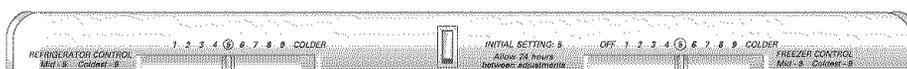
DIAL CONTROLS



INITIAL SETTINGS

- The freezer control has settings from 1 (warmest) to 7 (coldest). Initially set this control on 4.
- The fresh food control has settings from 1 (warmest) to 7 (coldest). Initially set this control on 4.

SLIDE CONTROLS



INITIAL SETTINGS

- The refrigerator control has settings from 1 (warmest) to 9 (coldest). Initially set this control on 5.
- The freezer control has settings from 1 (warmest) to 9 (coldest). Initially set this control on 5.

NOTE

- Your refrigerator will run continuously for several hours when you first start it. This is normal.
- Let the refrigerator run at least 8-12 hours before adding food.

ADJUSTING THE CONTROLS

- 24 hours after adding food, you may decide that one or both compartments should be colder or warmer. If so, adjust the control(s) as indicated in the table below.
- Except when starting the refrigerator, do not change either control more than one number at a time.
- Allow 24 hours for temperatures to stabilize before resetting.
- Changing either control will have some effect on the temperature of the other compartment.

WARM CABINET SURFACES

At times, the front of the refrigerator cabinet may be warm to the touch. This is a normal occurrence that helps prevent moisture from condensing on the cabinet. This condition will be more noticeable when you first start the refrigerator, during hot weather and after excessive or lengthy door openings.

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Fresh Food Compartment too Warm	Adjust fresh food control to next higher setting.
Fresh Food Compartment too Cold	Adjust fresh food control to next lower setting.
Freezer too Warm	Adjust freezer control to next higher setting.
Freezer too Cold	Adjust freezer control to next lower setting.
Turn Refrigerator Off (Dial Controls)	Set fresh food control to OFF or 0.
Turn Refrigerator Off (Slide Controls)	Slide the freezer control to OFF.

NOTE: Turning the control to OFF or 0 stops cooling in BOTH compartments. It does not shut off power to the refrigerator.

ICE SERVICE

ICE CUBE TRAYS

Some models are equipped with ice cube trays. To release the ice cubes from a tray, hold the tray upside down and twist both ends.

The ice bin (select models) either slides into rails under an ice cube tray rack or stacks on top of the ice cube trays.

AUTOMATIC ICE MAKER (OPTIONAL)

NOTE

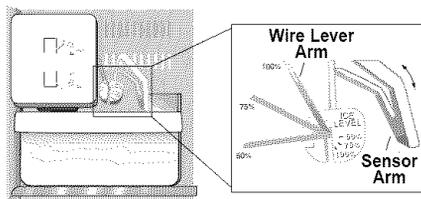
- Energy rating guides that are posted on the refrigerator at the time of purchase do not include optional ice maker energy usage.

Some models are automatic ice maker ready. The number of the appropriate ice maker kit needed for installation into these models appears on the data plate. The kit contains installation instructions and water connection instructions.

Other models have a factory installed ice maker. Connect the ice maker to the water supply as instructed in the separate instructions furnished with the refrigerator. **Proper water flow and a level refrigerator is essential for optimal ice maker performance.**

After your refrigerator has been connected to the water supply, move the sensor arm into the down position. The ice maker will fill with water when the freezer reaches the proper temperature.

Some ice makers are equipped with an adjustable sensor arm that allows you to adjust the amount of ice in your ice storage tray for times when less ice is needed.



To adjust the amount of ice produced:

(select models) Rotate the wire lever arm to provide the desired level of ice production. The 100% setting provides maximum ice production.

- It may be 8 to 12 hours before the ice maker furnishes any usable ice cubes. The first one or two batches will probably contain undersized and irregular cubes because of air in the supply line.
- The initial batch may also contain impurities from the new water supply piping. Therefore, all cubes from the first two or three batches should be discarded.
- When the ice cubes are ejected it is normal for several cubes to be joined together at the ends. They can easily be broken apart. The ice maker will continue to make ice until the supply of ice cubes raises the sensor arm, shutting the ice maker off.
- Certain sounds may accompany the various cycles of the ice maker. The motor may have a slight hum, the cubes will rattle as they fall into an empty storage pan and the water valve may click or "buzz" occasionally.
- If the ice is not used frequently, the ice cubes will become cloudy, shrink, stick together and taste stale. Empty the ice storage bin periodically and wash it in lukewarm water. Be sure to dry the bin before replacing it.

- To remove the ice bin, pull it forward, away from the ice maker. To avoid the ice maker dumping ice while the bin is removed, turn the ice maker off by lifting the sensor arm.
- To replace the ice bin, reverse the above procedure. Turn the ice maker on by lowering the sensor arm.
- Beverage and foods should **not** be placed in the ice storage bin for quick chilling. These items can block the sensor arm, causing the ice maker to malfunction.
- Turn off (arm up) the ice maker when the water supply is to be shut off for several hours.

WARNING

FOR YOUR SAFETY

Do not place fingers or hands on the automatic ice making mechanism while the refrigerator is plugged in. This will help protect you from possible injury. It will also prevent interference with moving parts of the ejector mechanism and the heating element that releases the cubes.

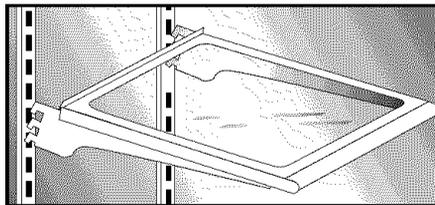
Under certain rare circumstances, ice cubes may be discolored, usually appearing with a greenish hue. The cause of this unusual discoloration can be a combination of factors such as certain characteristics of local waters, household plumbing and the accumulation of copper salts in an inactive water supply line which feeds the ice maker.

Continued consumption of such discolored ice cubes may be injurious to health. If such discoloration is observed, discard the ice cubes and contact your dealer to purchase and install a water line filter.

LOOKING INSIDE

SHELVES

Your refrigerator has either **Spill-Catcher™** or **Tempered Glass Shelves**. The Spill-Catcher™ shelves have a spill retainer edge which allows for easier clean up, and some are equipped with the **Easy Glide** slide out feature.



To slide out (select models), grasp the front of the shelf and pull forward. Push in the shelf to return to the original position.

To remove a shelf, slightly lift up the rear of the shelf and pull the shelf straight out

To lock the shelf into another position, tilt up the front edge of the shelf. Insert the hooks into the desired frame openings and let the shelf settle into place, being sure the shelf is securely locked at the rear.

⚠ WARNING

➤ Never attempt to adjust a shelf that is loaded with food (except in the case of the Elevator™ Shelf).

ELEVATOR™ SHELF

(select models)

The fresh food compartment may also be equipped with an **Elevator™ Shelf**. This shelf has a spill retainer edge for easy cleanup. It also has the convenient slide out feature that allows easy access to items stored at the rear of the shelf.

This shelf can be adjusted up or down without having to be unloaded of its contents. To adjust an Elevator™ Shelf, pull out the knob on the crank handle. Rotate the crank clockwise to raise the height of the shelf, and counterclockwise to lower the height of the shelf.

To remove the Elevator™ shelf for occasional cleaning, completely unload the shelf and pull the shelf forward. When the

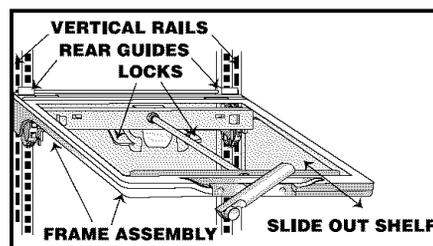
shelf stops, press up on the tabs located underneath its outside edges, then continue pulling forward, clear of the frame.

To reinstall, align the shelf to the frame and push it all the way back. (There is no need to depress the tabs for reinstallation).

In ordinary use, the Elevator™ shelf with the frame assembly does NOT require removal. Though unlikely, and not recommended, the correct removal procedure is as follows:

Unload the shelf completely, raise the shelf to its highest possible position. While supporting the shelf and frame from the front, press both locks inward. Lift slightly and tilt the frame assembly to allow the rear guides to clear the vertical rails.

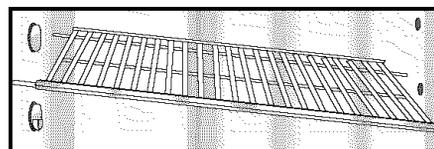
To reinstall, tilt the frame assembly while depressing both locks, reposition the rear guide behind the vertical rails. When the shelf is level, release the locks allowing the shelf to latch in the correct position.



ADJUSTABLE FREEZER SHELF

(select models)

To remove the shelf, lift the left end up about 3 inches; pull the right end bars out of the side wall cups. To replace the shelf, reposition the removable support plugs on the left side wall to the desired level and reverse the removal procedure.



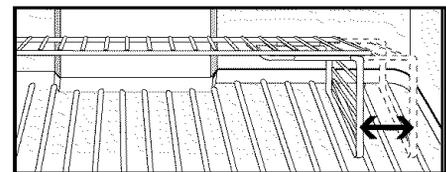
Other models have a partial width freezer shelf. This shelf is positioned on the left side of the freezer compartment by mounting into the left side wall.

EXPANDABLE-WIDTH FREEZER SHELF

(select models)

The shelf adjusts sideways to open up a full-height space for tall packages, such as pizza. The leg on the right side of the shelf slides to make this adjustment.

The shelf can also adjust to two heights. To adjust the shelf height, remove the shelf from the freezer. Slide the leg out of the channels and reinsert the leg in the alternate height position. Return the shelf to the freezer, inserting the left end into the liner cups.



DOOR STORAGE

Pick-Off Door Bins (select models) are roomy enough to handle gallon-plus sized containers. They are adjustable and can be easily removed.

To remove, lift the bin front up until it clears the retainers on the door liner then pull the bin straight out

To replace, reverse the above procedure.

Other models are constructed with durable, **Fixed Door Shelves** with the gallon-plus storage capacity.

Some refrigerator and freezer door shelves have **Keepers** to secure bottles and other containers in place when the door is being opened or closed. The keepers are easily adjusted by sliding from side to side.

The **Tall Bottle Retainer** (select models) is designed to prevent tall bottles from tipping forward. It is easily adjusted by sliding from side to side.

RACKS

The **Multi-Can Rack** (select models) suspends from one of the spill-proof refrigerator shelves. It hooks over the wires found in the framework under the shelf. The sloped design allows for cans to roll forward as one is removed. (This rack cannot be positioned under an Elevator™ shelf.)

The **Multi-Use Rack** (select models) provides a place for horizontally storing wine. The rack also can hold canned beverages or an egg carton.

Position the rack to rest on the left hand side of a refrigerator shelf (this rack cannot be positioned on an Elevator™ shelf).

SPECIAL STORAGE AREAS

Your refrigerator has either a **Snack Center Drawer** or an **Adjusti-Temp™ Drawer**.

For models with the **Adjusti-Temp™ Drawer**, a control is located on the shelf front above the drawer. Simply slide the control knob left or right to adjust the internal temperature of the drawer.

- For cheese storage, slide the control to the left. To achieve a lower temperature within the drawer when storing fresh meat, poultry or fish, slide the control to the right.



The **Snack Center** drawer does not have an adjustable temperature capability.

To remove the Snack Center Drawer or Adjusti-Temp Drawer for cleaning:

- pull the drawer out until it stops
- lift the drawer up slightly and pull it out

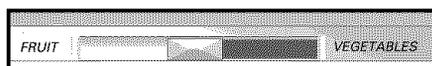
To replace the drawer, reverse the above procedure.

This drawer can be positioned as desired on either the left or right side of the refrigerator cabinet.

For best results, keep this drawer closed tightly.

The **Crispers** provide storage for fruit and vegetables. There is a humidity control located on the crisper shelf above each of the crisper drawers.

- For fruit storage, slide the crisper control to the left to provide lower humidity conditions in the drawer.
- For vegetable storage, slide the crisper control to the right to provide higher humidity conditions in the drawer.



To remove a crisper drawer for cleaning:

- pull out the crisper until it stops
- tilt the drawer front up and pull it out

To replace a crisper drawer:

- align the drawer in the tracks
- lift the drawer front and slide in

For best results, keep the crispers tightly closed.

To remove the Crisper Top:

- lift the front edge of the shelf
- pull the shelf straight out

To replace the Crisper Top:

- set the rear bars on the support
- push the shelf back until the front edge can be lowered into place

Your refrigerator may come equipped with an **Egg Cradle** (style may vary). It can be removed to be washed or carried to a work area.

To use the **Dairy Compartment**, raise the cover. The dairy compartment may be equipped with a **Keeper** to secure food items in place. If your model has the dairy keeper, simply slide it from side to side for desired placement.

In some models, the dairy compartment can be removed.

The **Slide Out Freezer Basket** (select models) is found in the main freezer compartment. It is a convenient storage area, providing easy access to items stored in the rear of the freezer. Slide the basket out to reach or store frozen foods.

To remove the basket:

- pull the basket until it stops
- lift and pull the basket out

To replace the basket, reverse the removal procedure.

The **Drop Down Freezer Basket** (select models) is found on the lower shelf of the freezer door. This area provides space for frozen food items that tend to shift or slide (such as bagged vegetables).

FOOD STORAGE TIPS

FRESH FOOD STORAGE

- The fresh food compartment of a refrigerator should be kept between 34° F and 40° F with an optimum temperature of 37° F. To check the temperature, place an appliance thermometer in a glass of water and place in the center of the refrigerator. Check after 24 hours. If the temperature is above 40° F adjust the controls as explained on page 5.
- Avoid overcrowding the refrigerator shelves. This reduces the circulation of air around the food and results in uneven cooling.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

- Storage in the crisper drawers traps moisture to help preserve the fruit and vegetable quality for longer time periods. (Refer to page 8).
- Sort fruits and vegetables before storage and use bruised or soft items first. Discard those showing signs of decay.
- Always wrap odorous foods such as onions and cabbage so the odor does not transfer to other foods.
- While vegetables need a certain amount of moisture to remain fresh, too much moisture can shorten storage times (especially leafy vegetables). Drain vegetables well before storing.

MEAT AND CHEESE

- Raw meat and poultry should be wrapped securely so leakage and contamination of other foods or surfaces does not occur.
- Occasionally mold will develop on the surface of hard cheeses (Swiss, Cheddar, Parmesan). Cut off at least an inch around and below the moldy area. Keep your knife or instrument out of the mold itself. The remaining cheese will be safe and flavorful to eat. Do **NOT** try to save individual cheese slices, soft cheese, cottage cheese, cream, sour cream or yogurt when mold appears.

DAIRY FOOD

- Most dairy foods such as milk, yogurt, sour cream and cottage cheese have freshness dates on their cartons for appropriate length of storage. Store these foods in the original carton and refrigerate immediately after purchasing and after each use.

FROZEN FOOD STORAGE

- The freezer compartment of a refrigerator should be kept at approximately 0° F. To check the temperature, place an appliance thermometer between the frozen packages and check after 24 hours. If the temperature is above 0° F, adjust the control as described on page 5.
- A freezer operates more efficiently when it is at least two-thirds full.

PACKAGING FOODS FOR FREEZING

- To minimize dehydration and quality deterioration use aluminum foil, freezer wrap, freezer bags or airtight containers. Force as much air out of the packages as possible and be sure they are tightly sealed. Trapped air can cause the food to dry out, change color and develop an off-flavor (freezer burn).
- Overwrap fresh meats and poultry with suitable freezer wrap prior to freezing.
- **Do not refreeze meat that has completely thawed.**

LOADING THE FREEZER

- Avoid adding too much warm food to the freezer at one time. This overloads the freezer, slows the rate of freezing and can raise the temperature of frozen foods.
- Leave space between the packages so cold air can circulate freely, allowing food to freeze as quickly as possible.
- Avoid storing hard-to-freeze foods such as ice cream and orange juice on the freezer door shelves. These foods are best stored in the freezer interior where the temperature varies less with door openings.

Refer to the Food Storage Chart on page 10 for approximate storage times.

FOOD STORAGE CHART

(Storage times are approximate and may vary depending on type of packaging, storage temperature, and the quality of the food when purchased.)

Foods	Refrigerator	Freezer	Storage Tips
DAIRY PRODUCTS			
Butter	1 month	6-9 months	Wrap tightly or cover.
Milk & cream	1 week	Not recommended	Check carton date. Close tightly. Don't return unused portions to original container. Don't freeze cream unless whipped.
Cream cheese, cheese spread & cheese food	1-2 weeks	Not recommended	Wrap tightly.
Cottage cheese	3-5 days	Not recommended	Store in original carton. Check carton date.
Sour cream	10 days		
Hard cheese (Swiss, Cheddar & Parmesan)	1-2 months	4-6 months May become crumbly	Wrap tightly. Cut off any mold.
EGGS			
Eggs in the shell	3 weeks	Not recommended	Refrigerate small ends down.
Leftover yolks or whites	2-4 days	9-12 months	For each cup of yolks to be frozen, add 1 tsp. sugar for use in sweet, or 1 tsp. salt for non-sweet dishes.
FRUITS			
Apples	1 month	8 months (cooked)	May also store unripe or hard apples at 60-70° F.
Bananas	2-4 days	6 months (whole/peeled)	Ripen at room temperature before refrigerating. Bananas and avocados darken when refrigerated.
Pears, plums, avocados	3-4 days	Not recommended	
Berries, cherries, apricots	2-3 days	6 months	
Grapes	3-5 days	1 month (whole)	
Citrus fruits	1-2 weeks	Not recommended	May also store at 60-70° F. If refrigerated, store uncovered.
Pineapples, cut	2-3 days	6-12 months	Will not ripen after purchase. Use quickly.
VEGETABLES			
Asparagus	1-2 days	8-10 months	Do not wash before refrigerating. Store in crisper.
Brussels sprouts, broccoli, cauliflower, green peas, lima beans, onions, peppers	3-5 days	8-10 months	Wrap odorous foods. Leave peas in pods.
Cabbage, celery	1-2 weeks	Not recommended	Wrap odorous foods & refrigerate in crisper.
Carrots, parsnips, beets, & turnips	7-10 days	8-10 months	Remove tops. Wrap odorous foods and refrigerate in the crisper.
Lettuce	7-10 days	Not recommended	
POULTRY & FISH			
Chicken and Turkey, whole	1-2 days	12 months	Keep in original packaging for refrigeration. Place in the Meat and Cheese Drawer. When freezing longer than 2 weeks, overwrap with freezer wrap.
Chicken and Turkey, pieces	1-2 days	9 months	
Fish	1-2 days	2-6 months	
MEATS			
Bacon	7 days	1 month	
Beef or lamb, ground	1-2 days	3-4 months	Fresh meats can be kept in original packaging for refrigeration. Place in the Meat and Cheese Drawer. When freezing longer than 2 weeks, overwrap with freezer wrap.
Beef or lamb, roast & steak	3-5 days	6-9 months	
Ham, fully cooked, whole	7 days	1-2 months	
half	5 days	1-2 months	
slices	3 days	1-2 months	
Luncheon meat	3-5 days	1-2 months	Unopened, vacuum-packed luncheon meat may be kept up to 2 weeks in the Meat and Cheese Drawer.
Pork, roast	3-5 days	4-6 months	
Pork, chops	3-5 days	4 months	
Sausage, ground	1-2 days	1-2 months	
Sausage, smoked	7 days	1-2 months	
Veal	3-5 days	4-6 months	
Frankfurters	7 days	1 month	Processed meats should be tightly wrapped and stored in the Meat and Cheese Drawer.

Sources: United States Department of Agriculture; Food Marketing Institute; Cooperative Extension Service, Iowa State University

STORING THE REFRIGERATOR

VACATIONS

If you will be gone for a month or less, leave the controls at the usual settings.

During longer absences:

1. Remove all food.
2. Shut off the ice maker (if installed) and the valve where you tapped into the water line to supply the refrigerator.

3. Disconnect the refrigerator from the electrical outlet.
4. Clean and dry the refrigerator thoroughly.
5. Leave the doors open to prevent odors.

MOVING

When moving, follow steps 1–4 under Vacations. In addition, remove and carefully pack any items that are easily removable. Ship the refrigerator in an upright position with the doors taped shut.

CARE AND CLEANING

Refer to the chart on the following page for specific refrigerator cleaning guidelines.

⚠ CAUTION

- **Disconnect the power cord before cleaning.**

CLEANING UNDER THE REFRIGERATOR

Your refrigerator can be rolled out for cleaning the floor underneath. Raise the leveling screws if engaged (see page 2). Pull the refrigerator straight out from the wall.

REPLACING A LIGHT BULB

⚠ CAUTION

- **Disconnect the power cord before replacing light bulb(s). Wear gloves as protection against broken glass.**

Always use a standard 40 or 60 watt appliance bulb.

Refrigerator

There are two light bulbs located under the top of the refrigerator compartment, on either side of the Dual Cool™ control housing.

- Carefully grasp the lightbulb by reaching behind the bulb cover.
- Unscrew the light bulb and replace.

Freezer

The freezer light (select models) is located on the back wall, near the upper right corner.

To remove the bulb cover:

- Grasp the top and bottom of the bulb cover. Press in the areas of the attachment tabs, applying enough pressure to unhook the tabs. At the same time, pivot the cover down and remove.
- Unscrew the lightbulb and replace.
- Replace the bulb cover by pivoting it back into place and snapping the tabs into the appropriate slots.

NO CLEAN™ COMMERCIAL-DUTY CONDENSER

A clean condenser means more efficient refrigerator operation. Thanks to the unique design of the No Clean™ condenser there is no longer a need for routine condenser cleaning in normal home usage surroundings.

Some operating environments may be particularly dusty or greasy. In these situations, the condenser can be periodically cleaned to insure maximum efficiency.

NO DEFROSTING

Your refrigerator is designed to defrost automatically.

NOTE

- During the automatic defrost cycle, you may notice a red glow/reflection in the vents on the back wall of the freezer compartment and you may hear the sound of water droplets coming into contact with the defrost heater. This is normal during the defrost cycle.

ENERGY SAVING TIPS

- Locate the refrigerator away from heat producing appliances such as the range or dishwasher, heat vents and direct sunlight.
- Level the refrigerator and do not block ventilation around the front grille.
- Keep the freezer full to near capacity so less cold air will escape during door openings. When the freezer is less than two-thirds full, place milk cartons half full of water in the freezer.
- Let hot dishes cool slightly before putting into the refrigerator or freezer.
- Cover liquids.
- Wipe moisture from the outside of containers before placing them into the refrigerator.
- Avoid opening the doors too often.

⚠ CAUTION

➤ **Disconnect the power cord before cleaning. Do not touch refrigerated surfaces with wet or damp hands. Damp objects stick to cold metal surfaces. Before cleaning the freezer, allow it to warm up. Allow glass shelves to warm up before immersing in warm water.**

Refrigerator Cleaning Chart

Refrigerator Exterior

Part	Tips and Precautions	
Base grille	Mild detergent and warm water Mild liquid sprays Vacuum cleaner attachment	Remove the base grille by grasping the ends and pulling straight out. To replace, align the clips with the round openings in the cabinet and push each end in until the base grille snaps into place.
Condenser	Cleaning brush (Part No. 20001017) available from your dealer.	No need for cleaning unless environment is particularly greasy, dusty or there is significant pet traffic in the home (see page 11).
Door handles	Mild detergent and warm water Mild liquid sprays	
Painted metal surfaces: Cabinet, doors	Mild detergent and warm water Mild liquid sprays	Dry with a clean, soft cloth. Do not wipe the refrigerator with a soiled dishwashing cloth or wet towel. These may leave residue that can scratch and weaken the paint. Do not use scouring pads, powdered cleansers, bleach or cleaners containing bleach. These products can scratch and erode the paint finish. Do not wax plastic or vinyl parts.
Stainless steel doors (select models)	Light cleaning: mild detergent and water or a solution of white vinegar and water Moderate soil: Bon Ami* Discolorations: Cameo Stainless Steel Cleaner*	Use a soft cloth or sponge. Always wipe with the grain of the stainless steel. Do not use chlorine bleach or a cleaning product that contains chlorine bleach. After cleaning, rinse and dry. To restore luster and remove streaks follow with Stainless Steel Magic Spray* (Part No. 20000008).

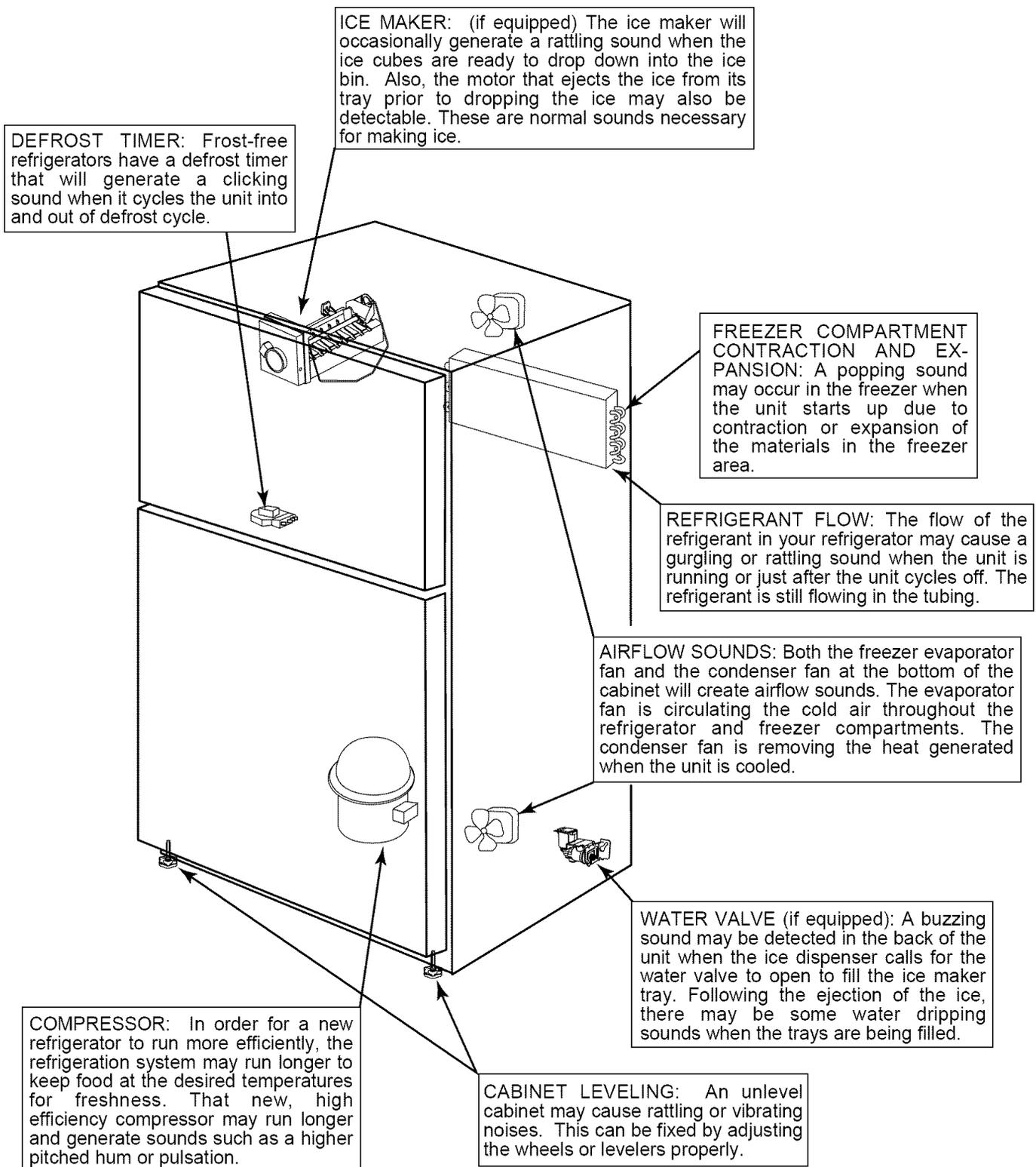
Refrigerator & Freezer Interior

Door gasket	Baking soda and warm water Mild detergent and warm water	Use 1-2 tablespoons baking soda per quart of water. Be sure to wring out excess water from sponge or cloth when cleaning around controls, lights, or electrical parts.
Glass shelves	Mild detergent and warm water Glass cleaner Mild liquid sprays	Allow the glass to warm up to room temperature before immersing in warm water. Never use hot water.
Interior and door liner	Mild detergent and warm water Baking soda and warm water	See above for baking soda solution. DO NOT use abrasive cleaners, concentrated detergents, bleaches, cleaning waxes, solvents or polish cleaners to clean the refrigerator interior.
Drawers, bins, egg cradle, etc.	Mild detergent and warm water	Dry thoroughly. DO NOT wash in automatic dishwasher.

* Brand names are the trademarks of the respective manufacturer

NORMAL OPERATING SOUNDS

Improvements in refrigeration design may produce sounds in your new refrigerator that are different or were not present in an older model. These improvements were made to create a refrigerator that is better at preserving food, is more energy efficient, and is quieter overall. Because new units run quieter, sounds may be detected that were present in older units, but were masked by higher sound levels. Many of these sounds are normal. Please note that the surfaces adjacent to a refrigerator, such as hard walls, floors and cabinetry may make these sounds seem even louder. The following are some of the normal sounds that may be noticed in a new refrigerator.



BEFORE YOU CALL FOR SERVICE

Review this chart of troubleshooting tips first...you may not need to call for service at all.

	PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSES	WHAT TO DO
GENERAL OPERATION	Won't run	Power cord not plugged in.	Push plug into outlet.
		No power to outlet.	Replace fuse, reset circuit breaker.
		Freezer control set to OFF position.	Set freezer control (see page 5).
		Refrigerator is in automatic defrost.	Wait 25 minutes for defrost cycle to end.
		Room temperature less than 55° F.	Relocate unit to proper climate (see installation on page 2).
	Runs too long, too frequently	Today's refrigerators start and stop more often to maintain even temperatures.	
		Normal at startup for new or recently installed units.	Wait 24 hours to completely cool down (see temperature controls on page 5).
		Prolonged or frequent door openings.	This is normal. Minimize door openings.
		Door not sealing.	Check to see if something is preventing door from closing.
		Base grille blocked.	Unblock to allow warm air to exit unit.
Light not working	Bulb burned out.	Unplug refrigerator and change bulb (see page 11).	
	No power to unit.	Check to see if power cord is completely plugged in.	
Visible glow in freezer vents	Appearance of a red glow or reflection is normal during the defrost cycle.		
Warm air from cabinet bottom	This is normal air flow for condenser circulation.		
Cabinet vibrates	Cabinet not level. Weak floor.	Level cabinet (see page 2.)	
Odor in cabinet	Odor producing foods not covered.	Cover or wrap odorous foods tightly. Clean cabinet.	
NOISE	Noise, sounds and vibrations	Normal noise.	See Normal Operating Sounds page 13.
		Cabinet not level.	Level cabinet (see page 2).
TEMPERATURE	Freezer, refrigerator too warm (soft ice cream)	Control set too warm.	Adjust temperature control (see page 5).
		Prolonged door openings.	Minimize door openings.
		Room temperature less than 55° F.	Unit will not run often enough to maintain proper temperatures.
Freezer, refrigerator too cold (food freezing)	Products with high sugar content may not harden completely when frozen.		
	Control set too cold.	Adjust temperature control (see page 5).	
ICE	Automatic icemaker not working	Sensor arm in up position.	Adjust sensor arm down to ON position.
		Cabinet not level.	Level unit (see page 2).
		Water supply not connected or restricted.	Connect water supply, or clear obstructions.
		Freezer too warm.	Adjust freezer temperature control (see page 5).
	Ice cubes have odor/taste	Old cubes.	Discard; ice cubes may absorb odors which affect taste.
		Bad water quality.	Contact local water treatment company.
		Food transmits odor/taste to ice.	Wrap foods tightly.
	Ice cubes sticking in tray	Residue from minerals in the water.	Wipe trays with vinegar-soaked cloth until clean.
	Ice cubes evaporating	Limited use of ice.	Dump old ice cubes.
	Moisture on cabinet surface between doors	Not unusual during periods of high humidity.	
MOISTURE	Moisture on inside cabinet walls or in crisper	Hot humid weather.	Normal.
		Frequent or prolonged door openings.	Minimize door openings.
		Door not closed properly.	Check to see if something is preventing door from closing.
		Food not wrapped properly.	Wrap or cover all foods tightly.
	Foods dry out	Crisper not tightly closed.	Close crisper all the way.
Temperature controls set too cold.		Adjust temperature controls (see page 5).	
Packages not wrapped or sealed properly.		Wrap or cover all foods tightly.	
Excessive moisture in crisper	Food not wrapped properly.	Wrap or cover all foods tightly.	
	Hot, humid weather.	Minimize door openings.	

BEFORE YOU CALL

For further assistance, call 1-800-688-9900 U.S.A., 1-800-688-2002 Canada or www.maytag.com

MAYTAG WARRANTY

Full One Year Warranty

For **one (1) year** from the date of original retail purchase, any part that fails in normal home use will be repaired or replaced free of charge.

Ice Maker - When purchased with the refrigerator and installed by the dealer the ice maker will be considered part of the refrigerator for warranty purposes.

Limited Warranty - Major Refrigeration Components

Second Through Fifth Year - After the first year from the date of original retail purchase, through the end of the fifth year, Maytag ServicesSM will repair or replace, at its option, free of charge for parts and labor only, any part of the sealed refrigeration system (consisting of the compressor, evaporator, condenser, drier and connecting tubing) and the cabinet liner (exclusive of the door liner) which fail in normal home use. All other costs, including mileage, transportation, trip charge and diagnostic charge, if required, shall be the responsibility of the owner.

Limited Warranty - Other Parts

Second Year - Parts other than major refrigeration components which fail in normal home use during the second year following the date of original retail purchase will be repaired or provided free of charge for the part itself, with the owner paying all other costs, including labor, mileage, transportation, trip charge and diagnostic charge, if required.

Please note: The full warranty and the limited warranties apply when the refrigerator is located in the United States or Canada. Refrigerators located elsewhere are covered by the limited warranties only including parts that fail during the first year.

Limitations of Liability

The warrantor shall not be liable for any incidental or consequential damages, including food loss. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

*The specific warranties expressed above are the **ONLY** warranties provided by the manufacturer. These warranties give you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.*

WHAT IS NOT COVERED BY THESE WARRANTIES:

1. Conditions and damages resulting from any of the following:
 - a. Improper installation, delivery, or maintenance.
 - b. Any repair, modification, alteration, or adjustment not authorized by the manufacturer or an authorized servicer.
 - c. Misuse, abuse, accidents, or unreasonable use.
 - d. Incorrect electric current, voltage, or supply.
 - e. Improper setting of any control.
2. Warranties are void if the original serial numbers have been removed, altered, or cannot be readily determined.
3. Light bulbs.
4. Products purchased for commercial or industrial use.
5. The cost of service or service call to:
 - a. Correct installation errors.
 - b. Instruct the user on the proper use of the product.
 - c. Transport the appliance to the servicer.
6. Consequential or incidental damages sustained by any person as a result of any breach of these warranties. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of consequential or incidental damages, so the above exclusion may not apply.

To purchase accessories or replacement parts not covered by your product warranty:

Please have your model and serial numbers ready and call our parts specialists at 1-877-232-6771 U.S.A. or 1-800-688-8408 Canada from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. central time Monday through Friday.

IF YOU NEED SERVICE

- Call the dealer from whom your appliance was purchased or call Maytag ServicesSM, Maytag Customer Assistance at 1-800-688-9900, USA or 1-800-688-2002 Canada to locate an authorized servicer.
- Be sure to retain proof of purchase to verify warranty status. Refer to WARRANTY for further information on owner's responsibilities for warranty service.
- If the dealer or service company cannot resolve the problem, write to Maytag ServicesSM, Attn: CAIR[®] Center, P.O. Box 2370, Cleveland, TN 37320-2370, or call **1-800-688-9900 U.S.A. or 1-800-688-2002 Canada**.
U.S. customers using TTY for deaf, hearing impaired or speech impaired, call 1-800-688-2080.
NOTE: When writing or calling about a service problem, please include the following information:
 - a. Your name, address and telephone number;
 - b. Model number and serial number;
 - c. Name and address of your dealer or servicer;
 - d. A clear description of the problem you are having;
 - e. Proof of purchase (sales receipt).
- User's guides, service manuals and parts information are available from Maytag ServicesSM, Maytag Customer Assistance.