

Zojirushi NHS-06

Zojirushi 3-Cup Rice Cooker/Steamer Instruction Manual

Model: NHS-06

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation of your Zojirushi 3-Cup Rice Cooker/Steamer, Model NHS-06. Designed for simplicity and convenience, this electric rice cooker is ideal for preparing perfectly cooked rice and steamed dishes. Please read this manual thoroughly before first use and keep it for future reference.

2. IMPORTANT SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

To reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including:

- Read all instructions.
- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- To protect against electrical shock, do not immerse cord, plugs, or the main unit 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.
- Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug or after the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner.
- The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the appliance manufacturer may cause injuries.
- 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.
- Extreme caution must be used when moving an appliance containing hot oil or other hot liquids.
- 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.

- This appliance is for household use only.

3. PARTS AND COMPONENTS



Figure 3.1: Zojirushi 3-Cup Rice Cooker/Steamer (Model NHS-06)

The main unit features a durable white exterior with gray trim, stay-cool handles, and a simple single-switch control panel.



Figure 3.2: Included Components

The rice cooker comes with a removable non-stick inner cooking pan, a glass lid with a stay-cool knob, a plastic measuring cup, and a non-stick rice spatula.



Figure 3.3: Control Panel

The control panel features a simple toggle switch for cooking and indicator lights for "KEEP WARM" (orange) and "COOKING" (red).

List of Components:

- Main Rice Cooker Unit (with heating element and control panel)
- Removable Non-Stick Inner Cooking Pan
- Glass Lid with Stay-Cool Knob
- Plastic Rice Measuring Cup (6-ounce capacity)
- Non-Stick Rice Spatula

4. SETUP

1. **Unpack:** Carefully remove all components from the packaging.
2. **Clean:** Before first use, wash the removable inner cooking pan, glass lid, measuring cup, and spatula with warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry completely. Wipe the exterior of the main unit with a damp cloth. Do not immerse the main unit in water.
3. **Placement:** Place the rice cooker on a stable, flat, heat-resistant surface, away from direct sunlight or heat sources. Ensure adequate ventilation around the unit.
4. **Insert Inner Pan:** Place the cleaned and dried non-stick inner cooking pan into the main rice cooker unit.

5. OPERATION

Cooking Rice:

1. **Measure Rice:** Use the provided plastic measuring cup to measure the desired amount of uncooked rice. Note that this cup has a 6-ounce capacity, which is approximately 3/4 of a standard U.S. measuring cup. One 6-ounce cup of raw rice yields about 2 to 3, 6-ounce cups of cooked rice.
2. **Rinse Rice (Optional but Recommended):** For best results and to remove excess starch, rinse the measured rice under cold running water until the water runs clear. Drain thoroughly.
3. **Add Rice to Inner Pan:** Place the rinsed rice into the removable non-stick inner cooking pan.
4. **Add Water:** Refer to the water level markings inside the inner pan. For each 6-ounce cup of uncooked rice, fill water up to the corresponding line (e.g., for 1 cup of rice, fill to the "1" line; for 3 cups, fill to the "3" line). This ensures optimal water-to-rice ratio.
5. **Place Inner Pan in Unit:** Ensure the inner pan is properly seated in the main unit.
6. **Close Lid:** Place the glass lid securely on the rice cooker. The lid features a steam exhaust hole.
7. **Plug In:** Plug the power cord into a 120V AC electrical outlet.
8. **Start Cooking:** Push the single switch control down to the "COOKING" position. The red "COOKING" indicator light will illuminate.
9. **Automatic Shut-off:** The rice cooker will automatically switch from "COOKING" to "KEEP WARM" once the rice is done. The red light will turn off, and the orange "KEEP WARM" light will illuminate.
10. **Resting Period:** For best results, allow the rice to rest in the "KEEP WARM" mode for an additional 10-15 minutes after cooking is complete. This allows the rice to fully absorb moisture and become fluffy.

11. **Serve:** Use the provided non-stick rice spatula to fluff and serve the cooked rice.

Steaming:

This rice cooker can also be used for steaming. Place the food to be steamed in a heat-safe, steam-appropriate container (not included) on top of the rice or on a steaming rack (not included) if available. Ensure the water level in the inner pan is sufficient for steaming without boiling dry. Follow the cooking times appropriate for the food being steamed.

6. CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

Regular cleaning ensures optimal performance and longevity of your rice cooker.

1. **Unplug and Cool:** Always unplug the rice cooker from the power outlet and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
2. **Inner Pan and Lid:** Hand wash the non-stick inner cooking pan and the glass lid with warm, soapy water. Use a soft sponge or cloth to avoid scratching the non-stick coating. Rinse thoroughly and dry completely.
3. **Main Unit:** Wipe the exterior of the main unit with a clean, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads. Never immerse the main unit in water or any other liquid.
4. **Spatula and Measuring Cup:** Wash the plastic rice spatula and measuring cup with warm, soapy water and dry.
5. **Storage:** Store the rice cooker in a clean, dry place when not in use.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Rice is too hard/undercooked.	Insufficient water; lid not properly closed; power interruption.	Ensure correct water level; check lid seal; ensure continuous power supply.
Rice is too soft/mushy.	Too much water; rice not drained properly after rinsing.	Reduce water slightly next time; ensure rice is well-drained.
Rice sticks to the bottom of the pan.	Not enough water; pan not properly cleaned; pan coating damaged.	Ensure correct water level; clean pan thoroughly; avoid metal utensils.
Unit does not turn on.	Not plugged in; power outlet issue; switch not engaged.	Check power cord connection; test outlet with another appliance; ensure switch is fully in "COOKING" position.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

- **Brand:** Zojirushi
- **Model Name:** NHS-06 (Electric Rice Cooker)
- **Capacity:** 3 Cups (uncooked rice, 6-ounce measuring cups)
- **Product Dimensions:** 7.5"D x 9.18"W x 7.5"H
- **Power Source:** Corded Electric
- **Voltage:** 120 Volts
- **Wattage:** 300 watts
- **Color:** White
- **Material:** Stainless Steel (inner pan), Glass (lid)
- **Special Feature:** Non-Stick inner cooking pan
- **Item Weight:** 3.1 Pounds
- **Included Components:** Rice cooker, rice measuring cup, nonstick rice spatula
- **Product Care Instructions:** Hand Wash Pan and wipe cooker with cleaning cloth
- **Country of Origin:** China

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information and customer support, please refer to the documentation included with your product or visit the official Zojirushi website. A digital version of the user manual is also available for download: [User Manual \(PDF\)](#).