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1. INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

The Farberware FCP240 Electric Coffee Percolator is designed to deliver rich, flavorful coffee with ease. This premium stainless steel unit brews approximately one cup per minute, ensuring fresh coffee without long waits. It features an automatic "keep warm" function to maintain optimal coffee temperature after brewing, and a detachable cord for convenient pouring and storage. The percolator is constructed from durable stainless steel and includes a cool-touch handle and lid knob with rolled edges for safe handling. Its no-drip spout ensures mess-free serving.



Figure 1: Farberware Electric Coffee Percolator FCP240

This image shows the complete Farberware Electric Coffee Percolator, highlighting its sleek stainless steel design and black base.

2. IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

Please read all instructions carefully before using this appliance. This product is built to North American Electrical Standards. Always ensure the percolator is unplugged before cleaning or disassembling. Do not immerse the base or cord in water or other liquids. Keep out of reach of children. The exterior surfaces may become hot during operation; use the cool-touch handle. **WARNING:** This product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm.

3. COMPONENTS

Your Farberware Electric Coffee Percolator comes with several key components for brewing:

- **Percolator Body:** The main stainless steel pot with heating element and handle.
- **Pump Tube:** A vertical tube that sits in the center of the percolator body.
- **Coffee Basket:** A perforated basket that holds the coffee grounds, fitting over the pump tube.
- **Spreader:** A perforated disc that sits on top of the coffee grounds in the basket.
- **Lid:** The cover for the percolator body, with a clear knob to observe the perking process.
- **Detachable Power Cord:** For connecting the percolator to an electrical outlet.



Includes body, pump tube, basket, spreader, lid and power cord

Figure 2: Exploded view of percolator components

This image displays all the individual parts of the Farberware percolator laid out, including the main body, pump tube, coffee basket, spreader, lid, and detachable power cord.

4. SETUP

Before first use, wash all removable parts (basket, spreader, pump tube, lid) in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry.

1. Fill the percolator body with cold, fresh water to the desired level (2 or 4 cups).
2. Place the pump tube into the center well of the percolator body.
3. Place the coffee basket onto the pump tube.
4. Add your desired amount of coffee grounds to the coffee basket. For best results, use coarse to medium-coarse grounds to prevent sediment.
5. Place the spreader on top of the coffee grounds in the basket.
6. Securely place the lid on the percolator body.



Stainless steel coffee basket

Figure 3: Stainless steel coffee basket with grounds

This image captures the coffee basket filled with coffee grounds, ready to be placed inside the percolator body.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Once assembled, plug the detachable power cord into the percolator and then into a standard 120-volt electrical outlet.

- The percolator will begin brewing automatically.
- Coffee typically brews at a rate of approximately one cup per minute.
- Once brewing is complete, the percolator will automatically switch to a "keep warm" temperature, ensuring your coffee remains hot and ready to serve.
- The clear knob on the lid allows you to observe the perking process.



Figure 4: Percolator in operation

This image captures the percolator actively brewing coffee, with the characteristic bubbling visible through the clear knob on the lid.

To serve, simply unplug the detachable cord from the percolator body. The no-drip spout ensures clean pouring.



No-drip spout

Figure 5: Pouring coffee with no-drip spout

This image demonstrates the percolator's no-drip spout in action, showing coffee being poured cleanly into a mug without spills.

6. MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

Regular cleaning will ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your percolator.

1. Always unplug the percolator and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
2. Remove the lid, spreader, coffee basket, and pump tube. Discard used coffee grounds.
3. Wash all removable parts in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly.
4. The stainless steel body can be wiped clean with a damp cloth. Do not immerse the percolator body in water.
5. For stubborn stains or mineral deposits inside the percolator, a solution of vinegar and water can be perked through the unit (without coffee grounds), followed by several cycles of clear water.
6. Ensure all parts are completely dry before reassembling or storing.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your percolator, refer to the following common solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause / Solution
Coffee is too weak or too strong.	Adjust the amount of coffee grounds used. Ensure proper water-to-coffee ratio.
Grounds in coffee.	Use coarser coffee grounds. Ensure the spreader is properly seated. Consider using percolator filters if desired (not included).
Percolator not brewing.	Check if the unit is properly plugged into a working outlet. Ensure the pump tube is correctly seated in the well.
Lid is difficult to remove.	Ensure the unit has cooled completely. The lid may fit snugly to prevent steam escape during brewing.
No on/off switch.	This model operates by plugging and unplugging the unit. It automatically switches to keep warm after brewing.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

- **Model Name:** FCP240
- **Brand:** Farberware (Licensed by Black+Decker)
- **Color:** Black/Silver
- **Product Dimensions:** 7"D x 7"W x 10"H
- **Item Weight:** 2.64 pounds
- **Capacity:** 2-4 cups (approx. 5 oz per cup)
- **Power:** 1000 Watts
- **Voltage:** 120 Volts
- **Filter Type:** Reusable (Stainless Steel Basket)
- **Special Features:** Automatic Keep Warm, No-Drip Spout, Cool-Touch Handle
- **Manufacturer:** Spectrum Brands
- **Country of Origin:** China



Figure 6: Product Dimensions

This image provides a visual representation of the percolator's dimensions, showing its height, depth, and width.

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information and customer support, please refer to the official user manual provided with your product or contact the manufacturer directly. A digital version of the user manual is available [here](#).