Cuisinart DCC-1150BKP1

Cuisinart DCC-1150BKP1 Classic 10-Cup Thermal Programmable Coffeemaker User Manual

Model: DCC-1150BKP1
Brand: Cuisinart

Introduction

This manual provides detailed instructions for the safe and efficient operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your Cuisinart DCC-1150BKP1 Classic 10-Cup Thermal Programmable Coffeemaker. Please read all instructions thoroughly before using the appliance.

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 and knobs.
- To protect against electric shock, do not place cord, plug, or coffeemaker in water or other liquids.
- 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 dropped or damaged in any manner.
- The use of accessory attachments not recommended by Cuisinart 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.
- Always fill water reservoir 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 thermal carafe is designed for use with this coffeemaker only. It must never be used on a range top.
- Do not set 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 materials.

Components and Features



Figure 1: Front view of the Cuisinart DCC-1150BKP1 Coffeemaker, showing the control panel and thermal carafe.

The Cuisinart DCC-1150BKP1 coffeemaker features a sleek design with a black exterior and a stainless steel thermal carafe. Key components include:

- **Water Reservoir:** Located at the back, with a hinged lid for easy filling.
- **Showerhead:** Distributes water evenly over coffee grounds.
- **Filter Basket:** Holds the coffee filter and grounds.
- **Thermal Carafe:** Double-walled, 10-cup capacity, designed to keep coffee hot without a warming plate. Features a drip-free pour spout and ergonomic handle.
- **Control Panel:** Features an LCD clock display and various buttons for operation.
- **Control Buttons:**
  - **CLEAN Button:** Illuminates when decalcification is needed.
  - **1-4 Cup Setting Button:** Optimizes brewing for smaller batches (1-4 cups).
  - **HR (Hour) Button:** Used for setting the clock and program time.
  - **MIN (Minute) Button:** Used for setting the clock and program time.
  - **PROG (Program) Button:** Used to set the automatic brew start time.
  - **ON/OFF Dial:** Turns the coffeemaker on or off, and activates auto-on.
- **Charcoal Water Filter:** Improves coffee taste by removing impurities from water. Located in the water reservoir.

Before First Use (Setup)

1. **Unpack:** Remove all packing materials and promotional labels from your coffeemaker. Keep packing materials in case you need to ship the unit in the future.
2. **Clean Components:** Wash the thermal carafe and filter basket in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry.
3. **Install Charcoal Water Filter:**
   - Remove the filter holder from the water reservoir.
   - Soak the charcoal water filter in cold tap water for 15 minutes.
   - Insert the filter into the filter holder, ensuring it snaps securely.
   - Place the filter holder back into the water reservoir.
4. **First Cleaning Cycle:** Before brewing your first pot of coffee, run a cleaning cycle with water only.
   - Fill the water reservoir to the 10-cup mark with clean water.
   - Place the empty filter basket and thermal carafe in position.
   - Turn the ON/OFF dial to the "ON" position. The unit will begin a brew cycle with water.
   - Once the cycle is complete, discard the water from the carafe. Your coffeemaker is now ready for use.

Operating Instructions

Setting the Clock

1. Plug the coffeemaker into an electrical outlet. The digital display will flash "12:00".
2. Press the **HR** button to advance the hour. Hold to scroll quickly.
3. Press the **MIN** button to advance the minute. Hold to scroll quickly.
4. The clock will set automatically after a few seconds of inactivity.

Programming Auto-On Time

The auto-on feature allows you to program the coffeemaker to start brewing at a specific time.

1. Press the **PROG** button. The digital display will show "PROG" and the previously set auto-on time (or "12:00" if not set).
2. Use the **HR** and **MIN** buttons to set your desired brew time.
3. Once the desired time is set, press the **PROG** button again to confirm, or wait a few seconds for it to set automatically. The "PROG" indicator light will illuminate.
4. To activate the auto-on function, turn the ON/OFF dial to the "AUTO ON" position. The "AUTO ON" indicator light will illuminate.
5. To cancel auto-on, turn the ON/OFF dial to the "OFF" position.

Brewing Coffee

1. **Fill Water Reservoir:** Open the reservoir lid and fill with cold, fresh water to the desired level, using the water level indicator on the side. Do not exceed the 10-cup max line.
2. **Add Coffee Grounds:** Place a paper filter (cone-shaped) or the included gold-tone permanent filter into the filter basket. Add the desired amount of ground coffee. For best results, use 1 scoop (1 tablespoon) of ground coffee per cup.
3. **Position Carafe:** Ensure the thermal carafe is properly seated on the base.
4. **Select 1-4 Cup Setting (Optional):** If brewing 1 to 4 cups, press the **1-4** button. This optimizes the brewing process for smaller quantities, ensuring full flavor. The "1-4" indicator light will illuminate.
5. **Start Brewing:** Turn the ON/OFF dial to the "ON" position. The "BREW" indicator light will illuminate, and brewing will begin.
6. **Brew Pause™ Feature:** You can temporarily remove the carafe during the brewing cycle to pour a cup of coffee. The flow of coffee will automatically stop. Replace the carafe within 20 seconds to prevent overflow.
7. **Cycle Completion:** Once the brewing cycle is complete, the coffeemaker will beep five times and the "BREW" light will turn off. The coffee is now ready to serve. The thermal carafe will keep the coffee hot for several hours.

Cleaning and Maintenance

General Cleaning

- Always unplug the coffeemaker from the electrical outlet before cleaning.
- Wash the thermal carafe and filter basket after each use in warm, soapy water. The carafe lid should also be thoroughly rinsed to clear any residue. These parts are top-rack dishwasher safe.
- Wipe the exterior of the coffeemaker with a damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads.
- Do not immerse the coffeemaker base in water or other liquids.

Decalcification (CLEAN Function)

Mineral deposits (calcium and lime) can build up in your coffeemaker and affect its performance. The "CLEAN" indicator light will illuminate when it's time to decalcify the unit.

1. Fill the water reservoir with a mixture of 1/3 white vinegar and 2/3 water.
2. Place the empty filter basket and thermal carafe in position.
3. Press the **CLEAN** button. The "CLEAN" indicator light will flash, indicating the cleaning cycle has started.
4. When the cycle is complete, the coffeemaker will beep five times and turn off.

5. Run two full cycles with fresh, cold water to rinse the unit thoroughly.

Charcoal Water Filter Replacement

The charcoal water filter should be replaced every 60 days or after 60 uses, or more often if you have very hard water. Replacement filters are available from Cuisinart.

1. Remove the old filter from the filter holder.
2. Soak a new charcoal water filter in cold tap water for 15 minutes.
3. Insert the new filter into the filter holder, ensuring it snaps securely.
4. Place the filter holder back into the water reservoir.

Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Coffee overflows from filter basket.	• Too much coffee grounds. • Filter basket not properly seated. • Carafe not properly seated or removed for too long during Brew Pause. • Water reservoir overfilled.	• Reduce amount of coffee grounds. • Ensure filter basket is securely in place. • Ensure carafe is fully inserted and replace quickly if using Brew Pause. • Do not fill water past the 10-cup max line.
Coffee is not hot enough.	• Carafe not preheated. • Mineral buildup.	• Rinse carafe with hot water before brewing. • Perform a decalcification cycle.
Carafe lid is hard to open/remove.	Residue buildup inside the lid.	Thoroughly clean the carafe lid after each use, including rinsing the internal mechanisms. Running it through a dishwasher may help.
Clock is difficult to read or set.	Small display, not backlit.	This is a design characteristic. Ensure adequate lighting when setting the clock. Avoid unplugging the unit if possible to retain time settings.

Specifications

- **Model Name:** Programmable Coffeemaker
- **Model Number:** DCC-1150BKP1
- **Brand:** Cuisinart
- **Color:** Black
- **Capacity:** 10-Cup
- **Special Features:** Permanent Filter, Programmable, Thermal Carafe
- **Product Dimensions:** 8.07"D x 10.23"W x 14.17"H
- **Item Weight:** 6.98 pounds
- **Operation Mode:** Fully Automatic

- **Included Components:** Carafe, Coffeemaker
- **Exterior Finish:** Stainless Steel with Gold-tone Coating (on some parts)
- **Human Interface Input:** Buttons
- **Coffee Input Type:** Filtered or Grounds

Warranty and Support

For detailed warranty information and customer support, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Cuisinart website. You may also contact Cuisinart customer service directly for assistance with your DCC-1150BKP1 coffeemaker.

While a digital user manual is available here, please note that specific warranty terms and conditions are subject to change and should be verified with the manufacturer.

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