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MODEL: BC88W INSTRUCTION MANUAL

## Introduction

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Thank you for choosing the Koolatron 3.2 cu ft Compact Fridge with Freezer, Model BC88W. This appliance is designed to provide reliable cooling for your snacks, beverages, and frozen items in various settings such as dens, dorms, offices, or home bars. Please read this manual thoroughly before installation and operation to ensure proper use and maintenance.



Image: Front view of the Koolatron compact fridge in a room.

## Important Safety Information

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To reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury when using your appliance, follow these basic precautions:

- Read all instructions before using the appliance.
- Do not store explosive substances such as aerosol cans with a flammable propellant in this appliance.
- This appliance must be properly installed and located in accordance with the installation instructions before it is used.
- Do not allow children to climb, stand, or hang on the shelves in the refrigerator. They could seriously injure themselves.
- Do not use electrical appliances inside the food storage compartments of the appliance, unless they are of the type recommended by the manufacturer.
- Unplug the refrigerator before cleaning or making any repairs.
- If the supply cord is damaged, it must be replaced by the manufacturer, its service agent, or similarly qualified persons in order to avoid a hazard.

## Setup and Installation

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### Unpacking

Carefully remove all packaging materials. Ensure all components listed in the 'What's in the Box' section are present. Keep packaging materials away from children. It is recommended to clean the interior of the appliance with a damp cloth before first use.

### Placement

Place the refrigerator on a flat, stable surface. The space-saving flat back design allows for placement close to a wall. Ensure adequate ventilation around the unit. Avoid direct sunlight or heat sources. Use the adjustable leveling legs to ensure the unit is stable and level, which helps in efficient operation and door sealing.



Image: The compact fridge positioned against a wall, demonstrating its space-saving design.

### Reversible Door Installation

The door hinges are reversible, allowing the door to open from either the left or right side to suit your space. Refer to the detailed instructions in the included manual for the specific steps to reverse the door swing. This process typically involves removing the top hinge, transferring the door, and reattaching hinges to the opposite side.



Image: Visual guide illustrating how the refrigerator door can be configured to open from either the left or right side.

### Initial Power-On

After placement and leveling, allow the refrigerator to stand upright for at least 2-4 hours before plugging it into a power outlet. This allows the refrigerant to settle. Plug the unit into a dedicated 115V AC outlet. The compressor will start, and the interior will begin to cool.

## Operating Instructions

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### Temperature Control

The refrigerator features a reliable compressor cooling system with a thermostat dial located inside the unit. You can set the desired cooling level between 28°F (-2°C) and 50°F (10°C). Turn the dial to a higher number for colder temperatures and a lower number for warmer temperatures. Allow several hours for the temperature to stabilize after adjustment.



Image: A composite image highlighting key features including the thermostat dial, removable shelves, and leveling legs.

### Adjustable Shelves

The refrigerator includes three removable wire shelves. These shelves can be repositioned to accommodate items of various sizes. To adjust, simply lift the shelf and slide it out, then place it into the desired shelf supports.

### Freezer Compartment

A full-width freezer compartment is integrated at the top of the unit, suitable for ice cube trays and small frozen items. A drip tray is included for easy defrosting and cleaning.

Image: Close-up of the freezer compartment with the drip tray inside the compact fridge.

## Door Storage

The refrigerator door offers ample storage, including a unique Dispense-A-Can compartment and additional shelves for bottles and smaller items. The magnetic door seal ensures the cold air remains inside.

## Maintenance

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### Cleaning

Always unplug the refrigerator before cleaning. Clean the interior and exterior surfaces with a mild detergent and warm water. Do not use abrasive cleaners or harsh chemicals. For the magnetic door seal, wipe gently with a damp cloth and ensure it is dry before closing the door.

### Defrosting

The freezer compartment is not frost-free and will accumulate frost over time. When the frost layer becomes about 1/4 inch thick, it is time to defrost. Unplug the unit, remove all contents, and place the drip tray under the freezer compartment to collect water. Allow the frost to melt naturally. Do not use sharp objects to remove ice. Once defrosted, clean and dry the interior before plugging the unit back in.

## Troubleshooting

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Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Refrigerator does not operate.	Not plugged in; circuit breaker tripped; temperature control set too high.	Ensure plug is secure; reset circuit breaker; adjust temperature control to a colder setting.
Temperature inside is not cold enough.	Door opened too frequently; warm food placed inside; poor ventilation; temperature control set too high.	Minimize door openings; allow hot food to cool before storing; ensure proper clearance around unit; adjust temperature control to a colder setting.
Excessive noise.	Unit not level; contact with wall/cabinet; loose parts.	Adjust leveling legs; ensure clearance; check for loose components.
Door does not close properly.	Unit not level; magnetic seal dirty/damaged; obstruction.	Level the unit; clean or inspect door seal; remove any obstructions.

If troubleshooting steps do not resolve the issue, please contact customer support.

## Specifications

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**Brand:** Koolatron

**Model:** BC88W

**Capacity:** 3.2 Cubic Feet (91 Liters)

**Product Dimensions:** 18.5"D x 17"W x 33.5"H (46.99 cm D x 43.18 cm W x 85.09 cm H)

**Item Weight:** 20.29 Pounds

**Installation Type:** Freestanding

**Voltage:** 115 Volts

**Wattage:** 60 watts

**Defrost System:** Frost Free (refrigerator section), Manual Defrost (freezer section)

**Door Hinges:** Reversible

**Shelves:** 3 removable wire shelves

**Special Features:** Adjustable Legs, Built-in freezer compartment, Magnetic door seal, Unique Dispense-A-Can compartment

**Material Type:** Plastic, Steel

**Certification:** Energy Star



Image: Dimensions of the compact fridge in inches.



Image: U.S. Government Energy Guide label for the Koolatron compact refrigerator.

## Warranty Information

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Koolatron products are manufactured to the highest standards. For detailed warranty information, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Koolatron website. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase for any warranty claims.

## Customer Support

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For technical assistance, parts, or service, please contact Koolatron customer support. Contact information can typically be found on the manufacturer's website or on the product packaging. Please have your model number (BC88W) and purchase date ready when contacting support.