

Sharp SJ-14R-C

Sharp 137L Bottom Freezer Refrigerator-Freezer

Model: **SJ-14R-C**

1. IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

Please read this manual carefully before operating your new Sharp refrigerator-freezer. Keep this manual for future reference. Failure to follow these instructions may result in electric shock, fire, or serious injury.

- Ensure the appliance is properly grounded to prevent electric shock.
- Do not store explosive substances such as aerosol cans with a flammable propellant in this appliance.
- Keep ventilation openings in the appliance enclosure or in the built-in structure clear of obstruction.
- Do not use mechanical devices or other means to accelerate the defrosting process, other than those recommended by the manufacturer.
- Do not damage the refrigerant circuit.
- Do not use electrical appliances inside the food storage compartments of the appliance, unless they are of the type recommended by the manufacturer.

2. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Sharp SJ-14R-C is a compact 137-liter refrigerator-freezer designed with a convenient bottom freezer compartment, optimizing space and accessibility for frozen goods. Its freestanding design allows for flexible placement in various kitchen layouts.



Image: Front view of the Sharp 137L Bottom Freezer Refrigerator-Freezer, Model SJ-14R-C. The appliance features a sleek, light-colored finish with the refrigerator compartment on top and the freezer compartment below, separated by a horizontal handle recess.

3. SETUP

3.1 Unpacking

1. Carefully remove all packaging materials, including tape and protective films.
2. Inspect the appliance for any shipping damage. If damaged, do not plug it in and contact your retailer.

3.2 Placement

- Place the refrigerator-freezer on a firm, level floor.
- Ensure adequate ventilation around the appliance. Maintain at least 10 cm (4 inches) clearance from walls and other objects for proper air circulation.
- Avoid direct sunlight or heat sources (e.g., stoves, radiators) as these can increase energy consumption.
- Do not install in areas where the temperature may drop below 10°C (50°F).

3.3 Initial Power-On

1. After placement, wait at least 2-4 hours before plugging in the appliance. This allows the refrigerant to settle.
2. Plug the power cord into a dedicated, grounded electrical outlet.
3. The internal light will illuminate, and the compressor will start. Allow the appliance to cool for several hours before loading food.

4. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 Temperature Control

The temperature control dial is typically located inside the refrigerator compartment. Adjust the dial to your

desired cooling level. A higher number usually indicates colder temperatures.

- For general use, a medium setting is recommended.
- Adjust the setting based on ambient temperature and the amount of food stored.

4.2 Food Storage Tips

- Store fresh foods in the refrigerator compartment and frozen foods in the bottom freezer.
- Wrap or cover food properly to prevent drying out and odor transfer.
- Do not place hot food directly into the refrigerator or freezer; allow it to cool to room temperature first.
- Avoid overloading the compartments to ensure proper air circulation.

5. MAINTENANCE

5.1 Cleaning the Interior

1. Unplug the appliance before cleaning.
2. Remove all food and shelves.
3. Wash the interior surfaces with a solution of mild detergent and warm water. Rinse and dry thoroughly.
4. Clean removable parts (shelves, drawers) in warm soapy water, rinse, and dry.

5.2 Defrosting

This appliance features a bottom freezer compartment. Regular defrosting of the freezer is important to maintain efficiency. Defrost when the frost layer reaches about 5 mm (0.2 inches) thick.

1. Unplug the appliance.
2. Remove all food from the freezer and store it in a cool place or insulated container.
3. Leave the freezer door open to allow frost to melt naturally. Place towels at the bottom to absorb water.
4. Once defrosted, clean and dry the interior thoroughly before plugging the appliance back in and returning food.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

Before contacting service, please check the following common issues and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Appliance does not operate	No power; power cord not plugged in; circuit breaker tripped.	Check power supply; ensure cord is securely plugged in; reset circuit breaker.
Temperature is not cold enough	Temperature control set too warm; door opened too frequently; excessive food load; poor ventilation.	Adjust temperature setting; minimize door openings; reduce food load; ensure proper clearance.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Unusual noises	Appliance not level; objects vibrating against the unit; normal operating sounds.	Level the appliance; ensure nothing is touching the unit; gurgling/hissing sounds are normal refrigerant flow.
Water on floor	Drain tube clogged; excessive humidity.	Clear drain tube; ensure door is closed properly.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	Sharp
Model Number	SJ-14R-C
Total Capacity	137 Liters
Freezer Capacity	137 Liters <i>(Note: This refers to the total volume of the freezer compartment, which in this bottom-freezer type unit, contributes to the overall 137L capacity.)</i>
Installation Type	Freestanding
ASIN	B002BS7NUO
First Available Date (Amazon.co.jp)	March 17, 2022

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information and customer support, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Sharp website. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase for any warranty claims.

For technical assistance or service inquiries, please contact Sharp customer service directly. Contact details can typically be found on the manufacturer's website or in the product packaging.