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Brand: Zippo | Model: 40286

## PRODUCT OVERVIEW

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The Zippo Hand Warmer provides up to 12 hours of gentle, consistent, odorless heat. It features all-metal construction and is refillable with Zippo Premium Lighter Fluid. Designed for outdoor activities, it helps keep hands and fingers warm in cold conditions.



The Zippo Hand Warmer in its sleek, closed black matte finish.

## PACKAGE CONTENTS

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Your Zippo Hand Warmer package includes the following items:

- Zippo Hand Warmer (main unit)
- Fleece Warming Bag
- Fuel Fill Cup
- Instruction Manual



The Zippo Hand Warmer shown in its retail packaging, highlighting its features.



The included black fleece warming bag, designed for safe and comfortable use.

## SETUP AND FUELING INSTRUCTIONS

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Always use Zippo Premium Lighter Fluid or Ronsonol Lighter Fuel for optimal performance and safety. Do not use any other type of fuel.

### **Step 1: Remove the Lid and Burner**

Carefully remove the lid from the hand warmer body. Then, gently pull off the catalytic burner unit from the

top of the hand warmer and set it aside.



The Zippo Hand Warmer with its lid removed, revealing the catalytic burner and internal components.

### **Step 2: Fill the Fuel Cup**

Locate the provided fuel fill cup. It has two marked lines: the lower line indicates the amount of fuel for approximately 6 hours of heat, and the upper line indicates the amount for up to 12 hours. Slowly pour Zippo Premium Lighter Fluid into the fill cup until it reaches your desired level. **Do not overfill past the upper line.**

### **Step 3: Pour Fuel into Hand Warmer**

Carefully pour the fuel from the fill cup into the absorbent cotton-like material inside the hand warmer body, through the opening where the burner sits. If the absorbent material is pushed down, gently fluff it up with a non-metallic tool (like a toothpick) to ensure it's at the top of the hand warmer body. Take care not to spill fuel on the exterior surfaces.

### **Step 4: Reattach the Burner and Wait**

Replace the catalytic burner securely into its original position on the hand warmer body. It should fit snugly. If it feels loose, gently squeeze the sides of the burner together to improve the fit. After filling, wait approximately 2 minutes for the fuel to be fully distributed and absorbed by the catalytic burner. During this short wait, keep the hand warmer in a vertical position to prevent fuel from moving onto the burner, which

could cause a flame upon ignition.

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Video demonstrating the Zippo Hand Warmer setup and fueling process. This video covers removing the lid, filling the fuel cup, pouring fuel into the hand warmer, and reattaching the burner.

## OPERATING YOUR HAND WARMER

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### Step 1: Ignite the Burner

With the lid still off, hold the base of the hand warmer with one hand. Use your other hand to apply a flame from a Zippo lighter, utility lighter, or match directly to the catalytic burner. Hold the flame to the burner for approximately 10 seconds. You will not see a visible flame coming from the burner itself, but you may observe a faint red glow on the burner, indicating successful ignition. In windy or extremely cold conditions, you may need to repeat this process until ignition is achieved and warmth is felt.

### Step 2: Replace the Lid and Place in Bag

Once you feel warmth radiating from the hand warmer body, carefully replace the perforated lid. Then, immediately place the hand warmer inside the provided fleece warming bag. The hand warmer is designed to operate while inside this bag. **Never hold the hand warmer directly against bare skin or expose bare skin to it, as it can become very hot and cause burns.** You can then place the bagged hand warmer in a pocket or other suitable location to enjoy continuous warmth.

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Video demonstrating the Zippo Hand Warmer ignition process. This video shows how to apply flame to the catalytic burner and the appearance of a red glow indicating successful ignition.

## IMPORTANT SAFETY GUIDELINES

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- **Fuel:** Use only Zippo Premium Lighter Fluid or Ronsonol Lighter Fuel. Using other fuels may be dangerous and will void the warranty.
- **Overfilling:** Never overfill the hand warmer. Excess fuel can lead to dangerous flames.
- **Children:** Keep the hand warmer and lighter fluid out of reach of children.
- **Flammable Materials:** Do not ignite or operate the hand warmer near open flames, sparks, or other flammable materials.
- **Warming Bag:** Always use the hand warmer inside its provided fleece warming bag. Direct contact with bare skin can cause burns.
- **Positioning:** After filling, keep the hand warmer vertical for at least 2 minutes before lighting to allow fuel to distribute properly and prevent spillage onto the burner.
- **Spilled Fuel:** If any fuel is spilled on the exterior of the hand warmer or surrounding surfaces, wipe it off completely or allow it to evaporate before lighting.
- **Storage:** Store lighter fluid in a cool, dry place away from heat sources and direct sunlight.

## CARE AND MAINTENANCE

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- **Burner Replacement:** The catalytic burner is a consumable part and will need to be replaced periodically. Typically, a burner lasts for approximately 70-80 uses or when you notice a decrease in heat output or difficulty in ignition. Replacement burners are available from Zippo.
- **Cleaning:** Keep the hand warmer body clean and free of dirt or debris. A soft, dry cloth can be used for cleaning.

- **Storage:** When not in use, ensure the hand warmer is completely cool and empty of fuel. Store it in a cool, dry place, preferably in its warming bag, away from direct sunlight and heat.

## TROUBLESHOOTING COMMON ISSUES

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### Hand Warmer Not Heating

- **Insufficient Fuel:** Ensure you have added enough Zippo Premium Lighter Fluid according to the fill cup markings.
- **Improper Ignition:** Verify that the catalytic burner was exposed to a flame for the recommended 10 seconds. In cold conditions, it might take slightly longer.
- **Burner Condition:** Check if the absorbent material under the burner is fluffed up and making good contact with the burner. If the burner is old or damaged, it may need replacement.

### Flame Appears on Burner

- This indicates excess fuel on the catalytic burner. Gently blow out the flame.
- Ensure the hand warmer was kept vertical after filling and before lighting to prevent fuel from pooling on the burner.
- Wipe off any spilled fuel from the exterior of the hand warmer before attempting to light it again.

## PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

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Feature	Detail
Model	40286
Dimensions (LxWxH)	3.74 x 2.95 x 0.59 inches
Item Weight	2.6 Ounces
Material	Metal (body), Nylon (bag)
Fuel Type	Zippo Premium Lighter Fluid or Ronsonol Lighter Fuel
Heat Duration	Up to 12 hours (per fill)
Color	Black



The Zippo Hand Warmer shown in a snowy outdoor environment, demonstrating its compact size.

## **WARRANTY AND CUSTOMER SUPPORT**

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For detailed warranty information, please refer to the official Zippo website or contact Zippo Customer Relations directly.

**Zippo Customer Relations:** (814) 368-2700

**Online Instructions and Support:** [Zippo.com/customer-care/product-instructions](https://www.zippo.com/customer-care/product-instructions)

