

Franke 115.0196.550

Franke 115.0196.550 Kitchen Faucet User Manual

Model: 115.0196.550 | Brand: Franke

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides comprehensive instructions for the installation, operation, and maintenance of your Franke 115.0196.550 Kitchen Faucet. Please read this manual thoroughly before installation and use to ensure proper function and longevity of the product. Keep this manual for future reference.

2. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

2.1 Key Features

- Shower function for versatile use.
- Swivel spout with up to 360-degree rotation for maximum flexibility.
- High-pressure design suitable for various water systems.
- Right-side lever for convenient water flow and temperature control.
- Durable chrome finish for a modern aesthetic and easy cleaning.
- Equipped with a 28 mm ceramic cartridge for smooth operation and leak prevention.
- Low noise class I operation.

2.2 Technical Specifications

Specification	Value
Model Number	115.0196.550
Brand	Franke
Color	Silver
Material	Ceramic (for cartridge/handle)
Product Dimensions	46 x 23 x 3.5 cm
Item Weight	2 Kilograms
Spout Reach	230 mm

Specification	Value
Total Height	422 mm
Spout Height (from base)	203 mm
Mounting Hole Diameter	35 mm
Flexible Connection Hoses Length	800 mm
Number of Handles	1
Installation Method	Deck Mount
Finish	Polished



Figure 1: Franke 115.0196.550 Kitchen Faucet. This image displays the complete faucet unit, featuring its polished chrome finish, flexible spring-style spout with a pull-down spray head, and single lever handle on the right side of the base.

3. SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Always adhere to the following safety precautions to prevent injury or damage to the product:

- Ensure the main water supply is turned off before beginning any installation or maintenance.
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), such as safety glasses and gloves, during installation.
- Do not overtighten connections, as this can damage the faucet or plumbing.
- If you are unsure about any step, consult a qualified plumber.
- Keep small parts out of reach of children.

4. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

4.1 Tools Required

- Adjustable wrench
- Basin wrench (optional, for tight spaces)
- Screwdriver (Phillips/Flathead)
- Plumber's putty or silicone sealant
- Bucket and towels

4.2 Installation Steps (Deck Mount)

1. **Prepare the Sink:** Ensure the mounting hole (35 mm diameter) on your sink or countertop is clean and free of debris.
2. **Install the Faucet:** Apply a thin bead of plumber's putty or silicone sealant around the base of the faucet. Insert the faucet into the mounting hole.
3. **Secure the Faucet:** From underneath the sink, slide the rubber washer, metal washer, and mounting nut onto the threaded shank of the faucet. Hand-tighten the nut, then use a basin wrench or adjustable wrench to secure it firmly, ensuring the faucet is straight.
4. **Connect Water Supply Lines:** Attach the 800 mm flexible connection hoses (pre-attached to the faucet) to your hot and cold water supply valves. Ensure connections are hand-tight, then use a wrench for a final quarter-turn. Do not overtighten.
5. **Check for Leaks:** Slowly turn on the main water supply. Check all connections for leaks. If leaks occur, tighten the connections slightly until they stop.
6. **Flush the Faucet:** Remove the aerator from the spout. Turn on both hot and cold water for a few minutes to flush out any debris from the lines. Turn off the water, reattach the aerator.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 Water Flow and Temperature Control

The Franke 115.0196.550 features a single lever handle for easy control:

- **To Turn On/Off:** Lift the lever upwards to turn on the water. Push it downwards to turn off the water.
- **To Adjust Temperature:** Move the lever to the left for hot water and to the right for cold water.

- **To Adjust Flow:** The further you lift the lever, the greater the water flow.

5.2 Shower Function

The faucet includes a pull-down spray head with a shower function:

- **To Activate Spray:** Pull down the spray head from the spout. A button or switch on the spray head allows you to toggle between stream and spray modes.
- **To Return:** Once finished, guide the spray head back into the spout until it clicks securely into place.

5.3 Swivel Spout

The spout can swivel up to 360 degrees, allowing you to direct water flow precisely where needed in your sink.

6. MAINTENANCE AND CARE

Proper care will ensure the longevity and appearance of your Franke faucet:

- **Cleaning:** Clean the faucet regularly with a soft cloth and mild soap. Avoid abrasive cleaners, harsh chemicals, or scouring pads, as these can damage the chrome finish.
- **Aerator Maintenance:** Periodically unscrew the aerator from the spout and clean any mineral deposits or debris that may accumulate. This helps maintain optimal water flow.
- **Hard Water Areas:** In areas with hard water, more frequent cleaning of the aerator may be necessary. Consider using a descaling solution specifically designed for faucets if mineral buildup is severe.
- **Avoid Impact:** Do not strike the faucet with hard objects, as this can cause dents or damage to the finish.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Low Water Flow	Clogged aerator; partially closed shut-off valve; debris in supply line.	Clean or replace aerator; ensure shut-off valves are fully open; flush supply lines.
Leaking from Base	Loose mounting nut; insufficient sealant.	Tighten mounting nut; reapply sealant if necessary (requires faucet removal).
Leaking from Spout	Worn cartridge.	Replace the ceramic cartridge (consult a professional if unsure).
Water Temperature Issues	Incorrect hot/cold supply connections; water heater issues.	Verify supply line connections; check water heater settings.

If you encounter problems not listed here or if solutions do not resolve the issue, please contact Franke customer support.

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

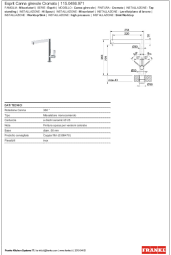
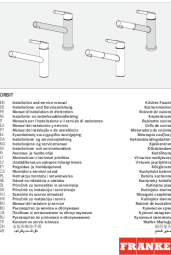
Franke products are manufactured to the highest quality standards. For specific warranty information regarding your 115.0196.550 Kitchen Faucet, please refer to the warranty card included with your purchase or visit the official Franke website.

For technical support, spare parts, or service inquiries, please contact Franke customer service:

- **Website:** www.franke.com
- **Contact Information:** Refer to the Franke website for regional contact details (phone numbers, email addresses).

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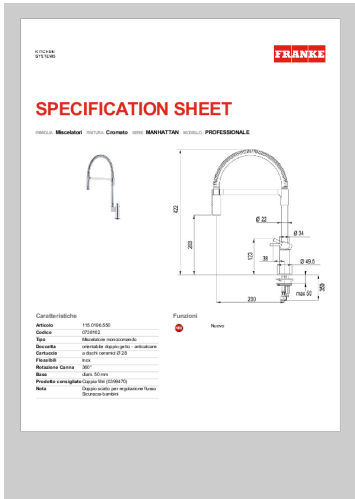


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