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INSTRUCTION MANUAL

Introduction

This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation of your Cuisinart TOB-135 Deluxe Convection Toaster Oven Broiler. Please read all instructions thoroughly before first use and retain for future reference. This appliance is designed for household use only.



The Cuisinart TOB-135 Deluxe Convection Toaster Oven Broiler, shown here with a pizza being cooked, offers versatile cooking functions for various culinary needs.

Important Safeguards

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and/or injury, including the following:

- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- To protect against electrical shock, do not immerse cord, plug, or appliance in water or other liquid.
- 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.
- Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or after the appliance malfunctions or has been 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.
- Extreme caution must be used when moving an appliance containing hot oil or other hot liquids.
- To disconnect, turn any control to 'OFF', then remove plug from wall outlet.
- Do not use appliance for other than intended use.
- Oversize foods or metal utensils must not be inserted in a toaster oven as they may create a fire or risk of electric shock.
- A fire may occur if the oven is covered or touching flammable material, including curtains, drapes, walls, and the like, when in operation.
- Do not place any of the following materials in the oven: paper, cardboard, plastic, and the like.
- Do not store any materials, other than Cuisinart recommended accessories, in this oven when not in use.
- Do not cover crumb tray or any part of the oven with metal foil. This will cause overheating of the oven.
- Extreme caution should be exercised when removing tray or disposing of hot grease.
- Do not clean with metal scouring pads. Pieces can break off the pad and touch electrical parts, creating a risk of electric shock.
- Do not attempt to dislodge food when the oven is plugged into an electrical outlet.
- Do not operate your appliance in an appliance garage or under a wall cabinet.

Setup

Unpacking

Carefully unpack the toaster oven and remove all packaging materials. Ensure all accessories are present: oven rack, broiling rack, baking tray, and crumb tray. Dispose of packaging responsibly.

Placement

Place the toaster oven on a flat, stable, heat-resistant surface. Ensure there is at least 6 inches of clearance on all sides and above the appliance for proper ventilation. Do not place it directly under wall cabinets or near flammable materials.

Initial Cleaning

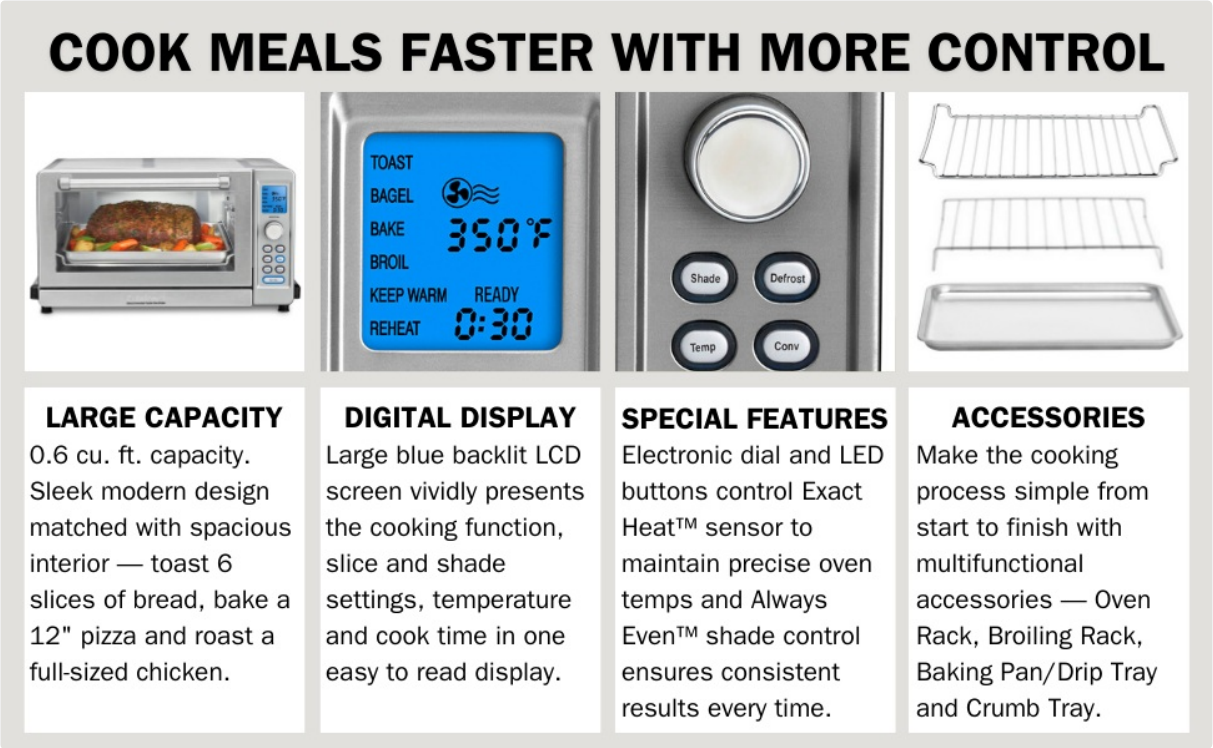
Before first use, wipe the exterior with a damp cloth. Wash the oven rack, broiling rack, baking tray, and crumb tray in warm, soapy water. Dry thoroughly. Run the oven empty on the 'Bake' function at 350°F (175°C) for approximately 15 minutes to burn off any manufacturing oils. A slight odor or smoke may be

present during this initial use; this is normal.

Operating Instructions

Controls Overview

Your Cuisinart TOB-135 features a digital display, a selector dial, and various function buttons for precise control.



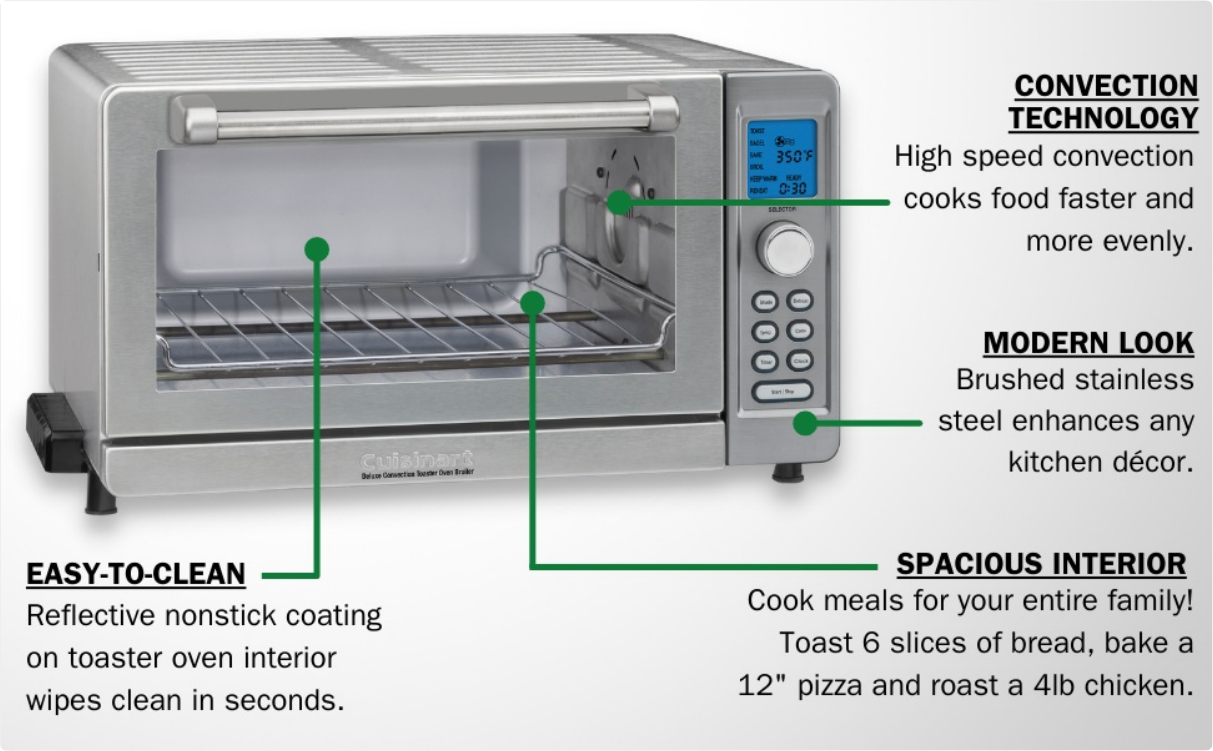
The digital display and control panel allow for easy selection of cooking functions, temperature, and time. The image highlights the large capacity, digital display, special features, and included accessories.

- **Digital Display:** Shows selected function, temperature, time, and toast shade.
- **Selector Dial:** Used to scroll through functions, adjust temperature, and set time.
- **Function Buttons:** Dedicated buttons for Toast, Bagel, Bake, Broil, Convection, Reheat, Keep Warm, Defrost, Shade, Temp, Time, and Clock.
- **Start/Stop Button:** Initiates or cancels a cooking cycle.

Available Functions

The TOB-135 offers 9 pre-programmed functions:

1. **Toast:** For toasting bread to desired shade. Use the 'Shade' button to adjust.
2. **Bagel:** Toasts the cut side of bagels while gently warming the outside.
3. **Bake:** Standard baking function. Use 'Temp' and 'Time' buttons to adjust settings.
4. **Broil:** For broiling foods. Ensure the door is slightly ajar during broiling.
5. **Convection Bake:** Utilizes a fan to circulate hot air for faster, more even baking.
6. **Convection Broil:** Combines broiling with convection for enhanced browning.
7. **Reheat:** Gently reheats food without overcooking.
8. **Keep Warm:** Maintains food at a warm temperature after cooking.
9. **Defrost:** Thaws frozen items before cooking.



The interior of the Cuisinart TOB-135, featuring the convection fan for even cooking and the easy-to-clean nonstick coating.

Setting a Function

To operate the oven:

1. Plug the appliance into a standard electrical outlet.
2. Turn the selector dial to choose your desired function (e.g., Bake, Toast).
3. Press the 'Temp' button and turn the selector dial to set the temperature.
4. Press the 'Time' button and turn the selector dial to set the cooking duration. For Toast/Bagel, use the 'Shade' button to select desired browning level.
5. Press the 'Start/Stop' button to begin cooking. The oven will preheat if necessary.
6. To stop cooking at any time, press the 'Start/Stop' button.



An internal view of the Cuisinart TOB-135, illustrating the heating elements and the high-speed convection motor for efficient cooking.

Using Accessories

- **Oven Rack:** Insert into the desired rack position. The oven has multiple rack positions for flexibility.
- **Baking Tray:** Use for baking items like cookies, pastries, or roasting vegetables. Place directly on the oven rack.
- **Broiling Rack:** Designed to elevate food for broiling, allowing fats to drip into the baking tray below. Always use with the baking tray.
- **Crumb Tray:** Located at the bottom of the oven, this tray collects crumbs and drips. It is removable for easy cleaning.

Maintenance

Cleaning

Always unplug the oven and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.

- **Interior:** The nonstick interior can be wiped clean with a damp cloth and mild detergent. For stubborn stains, use a non-abrasive liquid cleanser. Do not use metal scouring pads or harsh abrasives.
- **Exterior:** Wipe with a damp cloth and dry thoroughly. Avoid abrasive cleaners that may damage the brushed stainless steel finish.
- **Crumb Tray:** Slide out the crumb tray from the front of the oven. Discard crumbs and wash the tray in warm, soapy water. Dry thoroughly before replacing.
- **Accessories:** The oven rack, broiling rack, and baking tray can be washed in warm, soapy water or placed in a dishwasher.

Storage

Ensure the oven is clean and dry before storing. Store in a cool, dry place. Do not wrap the cord around the exterior of the oven; instead, coil it loosely.

Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues with your toaster oven, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Oven does not turn on.	Not plugged in; power outage; circuit breaker tripped.	Ensure plug is securely in outlet; check household circuit breaker.
Food not cooking evenly.	Incorrect rack position; uneven food placement; convection not used.	Adjust rack position; arrange food evenly; try using convection function for better circulation.
Excessive smoke during cooking.	Food residue on heating elements; crumb tray full; high-fat food.	Clean interior and crumb tray; use baking tray to catch drips from high-fat foods.
Toast is too light or too dark.	Incorrect shade setting.	Adjust the 'Shade' setting to a higher number for darker toast or a lower number for lighter toast.

Specifications

- **Model Name:** TOB-135
- **Brand:** Cuisinart
- **Color:** Silver
- **Product Dimensions:** 15.3"D x 18.3"W x 9.3"H
- **Capacity:** 0.6 Cubic Feet (fits 6 slices of bread or a 12-inch pizza)
- **Control Type:** Knob and Digital Buttons
- **Special Feature:** Convection
- **Finish Type:** Brushed Stainless Steel
- **Included Components:** Crumb Tray, Recipe Book, Baking Tray, Broiling Rack
- **Item Weight:** 14 pounds
- **Power Source:** AC adapter

Warranty

This Cuisinart TOB-135 Deluxe Convection Toaster Oven Broiler is covered by a limited 3-year manufacturer warranty. Please refer to the warranty card included with your product for full terms and conditions. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase.

Support

For technical assistance, troubleshooting beyond this manual, or warranty claims, please contact Cuisinart Customer Service. Contact information can typically be found on the Cuisinart official website or on the product packaging.