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Techwood TCR-186 Multi-Function Rice Cooker 1.8 L User Manual

Model: TCR-186

1. Important Safety Instructions

Please read all instructions carefully before using the Techwood TCR-186 Multi-Function Rice Cooker. Retain this manual for future reference.

- Always ensure the appliance is unplugged from the power outlet before cleaning, assembling, or disassembling parts.
- Do not immerse the main unit (housing with electrical components) in water or any other liquid.
- This appliance is for household use only. Do not use outdoors.
- Keep the appliance out of reach of children. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
- Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or after the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner.
- Avoid touching hot surfaces. Use insulated handles and oven mitts when handling hot parts.
- Always place the rice cooker on a stable, heat-resistant surface, away from walls or cabinets to allow for proper ventilation.
- Do not place the appliance on or near a hot gas or electric burner, or in a heated oven.
- Exercise extreme caution when moving an appliance containing hot oil or other hot liquids.
- Do not use attachments not recommended by the appliance manufacturer.
- Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Allow to cool before putting on or taking off parts.
- Steam is hot. Keep hands and face clear of the steam vent on the lid during operation.

2. Product Overview and Components

The Techwood TCR-186 is a multi-function rice cooker designed for efficient and convenient cooking. It features a durable stainless steel exterior and a removable aluminum inner pot for easy cleaning.



Image 1: The Techwood TCR-186 Multi-Function Rice Cooker, showcasing its stainless steel body, glass lid, and simple control panel with 'Keep Warm' and 'Cook' indicators.

Components:

- **Main Unit:** Stainless steel and plastic exterior with insulated handles and control panel.
- **Removable Inner Pot:** Non-stick aluminum pot for cooking.
- **Glass Lid:** Transparent lid with a steam vent.
- **Measuring Cup:** For precise measurement of rice and water.
- **Spatula:** Non-scratch utensil for stirring and serving rice.



Image 2: The Techwood TCR-186 Multi-Function Rice Cooker shown in its original retail packaging, highlighting its features and accessories.

3. Setup

1. **Unpack:** Carefully remove all packaging materials and accessories from the box.
2. **Clean Before First Use:** Wash the removable inner pot, glass lid, measuring cup, and spatula in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry completely. Wipe the exterior of the main unit with a damp cloth. Do not immerse the main unit in water.
3. **Placement:** Place the rice cooker on a dry, level, and stable surface. Ensure there is adequate space around the unit for ventilation, especially above the steam vent.

4. Operating Instructions

Follow these steps to cook rice or other grains with your Techwood TCR-186:

1. **Measure Rice:** Use the provided measuring cup to measure the desired amount of rice. One full cup typically yields two servings of cooked rice.

2. **Rinse Rice:** Rinse the rice in a separate bowl until the water runs clear. This helps remove excess starch.
3. **Add Rice to Inner Pot:** Place the rinsed rice into the removable aluminum inner pot.
4. **Add Water:** For most types of white rice, a common ratio is 1 cup of rice to 1.5-2 cups of water. Adjust the water level according to the type of rice and your preference. The inner pot may have water level markings for guidance.
5. **Place Inner Pot:** Carefully place the inner pot into the main unit, ensuring it sits correctly and is level.
6. **Secure Lid:** Place the glass lid onto the rice cooker. Ensure it is properly seated to retain heat and steam.
7. **Connect Power:** Plug the power cord into a standard electrical outlet. The 'Keep Warm' indicator light may illuminate.
8. **Start Cooking:** Press the 'Cook' switch or button. The 'Cook' indicator light will illuminate, indicating that the cooking cycle has begun.
9. **Automatic Shut-off and Keep Warm:** Once the rice is cooked, the appliance will automatically switch from 'Cook' mode to 'Keep Warm' mode. The 'Cook' light will turn off, and the 'Keep Warm' light will illuminate.
10. **Resting Period:** For best results, allow the rice to rest in 'Keep Warm' mode for 5-10 minutes after cooking is complete. This allows the steam to distribute evenly.
11. **Serve:** Use the provided spatula to fluff and serve the rice.
12. **Unplug:** After serving, unplug the rice cooker from the power outlet.

5. Maintenance and Cleaning

Proper maintenance ensures the longevity and optimal performance of your rice cooker.

1. **Unplug and Cool:** Always unplug the appliance and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
2. **Inner Pot and Lid:** The removable aluminum inner pot, glass lid, measuring cup, and spatula should be washed by hand with warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry completely. Do not use abrasive cleaners or metal scouring pads, as these can damage the non-stick coating.
3. **Main Unit Exterior:** Wipe the exterior of the main unit with a soft, damp cloth. For stubborn stains, use a mild detergent. Ensure no water enters the electrical components. Never immerse the main unit in water or any other liquid.
4. **Storage:** Ensure all parts are clean and dry before storing. Store the rice cooker in a cool, dry place.

6. Troubleshooting

If you encounter any issues with your Techwood TCR-186, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Rice is undercooked or hard.	Insufficient water; lid not properly sealed; power interruption.	Ensure correct rice-to-water ratio. Check lid is securely closed. Verify power connection.
Rice is overcooked or mushy.	Too much water; rice left on 'Keep Warm' for too long.	Reduce water slightly next time. Do not leave rice on 'Keep Warm' for extended periods.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Rice sticks to the bottom of the pot.	Not enough water; inner pot coating damaged; rice not rinsed.	Increase water slightly. Ensure inner pot is not scratched. Rinse rice thoroughly before cooking.
Unit does not turn on.	Not plugged in; power outlet malfunction; damaged cord/plug.	Check power cord connection. Test outlet with another appliance. If cord/plug is damaged, do not use and contact support.
Steam leaks from around the lid.	Lid not properly seated; lid seal damaged.	Ensure lid is placed correctly and securely. Check lid for any damage or warping.

7. Specifications

Model Number:	TCR-186
Brand:	Techwood
Capacity:	1.8 Liters
Power:	700 Watts
Voltage:	239 Volts
Dimensions (L x W x H):	27.6 x 27.6 x 26 cm
Weight:	2.5 Kilograms
Materials:	Aluminum (inner pot), Stainless Steel & Plastic (exterior), Glass (lid)
Special Features:	Automatic Shut-off, Keep Warm Function, Insulated Handles

8. Warranty and Support

The Techwood TCR-186 Multi-Function Rice Cooker comes with a**1-year warranty** from the date of purchase. This warranty covers manufacturing defects under normal household use.

The warranty does not cover damage resulting from misuse, neglect, accident, alteration, or unauthorized repair. Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

Customer Support:

For technical assistance, warranty claims, or questions regarding your product, please contact Techwood customer service. Refer to the contact information provided with your purchase documentation or visit the official Techwood website for support details.

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