

Presto 06008

Presto 8-Quart Big Kettle Multi-Cooker, Steamer, and Deep Fryer Instruction Manual

Model: 06008

INTRODUCTION

This manual provides detailed instructions for the safe and efficient use of your Presto 8-Quart Big Kettle Multi-Cooker. This versatile appliance is designed for deep frying, steaming, stewing, roasting, and boiling, offering a wide range of cooking possibilities. Please read all instructions carefully before initial use to ensure proper operation and to prevent personal injury or product damage.

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

WARNING: To reduce the risk of personal injury or property damage, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including the following:

- Read all instructions thoroughly.
- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- To protect against electrical shock, do not immerse the control master heat control, cord, or plug 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, and before cleaning the appliance.
- 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 the appliance manufacturer 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.
- Always attach plug to appliance first, then plug cord into the wall outlet. To disconnect, turn any control to "OFF",

then remove plug from wall outlet.

- Do not use appliance for other than intended use.
- This product contains Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFASs). For more information, visit www.gopresto.com/content/support/california-safe-food-disclosure.

PRODUCT COMPONENTS

Familiarize yourself with the parts of your Presto Big Kettle Multi-Cooker:



Image Description: The Presto Big Kettle Multi-Cooker shown with its main pot, the removable steam/fry basket inserted, and the tempered glass lid placed beside it. The Control Master heat control is attached to the side of the pot.

1. Tempered Glass Cover:

Allows monitoring of cooking progress without releasing heat.

2. Nonstick Surface (Inside and Out):

Provides easy food release and simplifies cleaning.

3. Control Master® Heat Control:

Detachable thermostat for precise temperature regulation.

4. Heavy Cast Aluminum Base:

Ensures even heat distribution for consistent cooking results.

Steam/Fry Basket:

A perforated basket with a handle, designed for steaming vegetables, blanching, or deep frying. It can hook onto the side of the multi-cooker for draining.



Image Description: A close-up view of the perforated steam/fry basket, shown hooked onto the rim of the Presto Big Kettle Multi-Cooker, illustrating its draining position.

SETUP

1. Before first use, wash the multi-cooker, cover, and steam/fry basket in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry.
2. Ensure the Control Master® heat control is removed before washing the multi-cooker. The heat control is not immersible.
3. Place the multi-cooker on a dry, level, heat-resistant surface away from the edge of the counter.
4. Insert the Control Master® heat control into the receptacle on the multi-cooker, ensuring it is fully seated.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

General Operation

1. Prepare your ingredients according to your recipe.
2. Add the necessary liquid (water, oil, broth) or food to the multi-cooker. Do not overfill.

3. Attach the Control Master® heat control to the multi-cooker.
4. Plug the heat control cord into a 120V AC electrical outlet.
5. Set the desired temperature using the dial on the Control Master® heat control. The indicator light will illuminate, signaling that the unit is heating.
6. Once the set temperature is reached, the indicator light will turn off. It will cycle on and off during cooking to maintain the temperature.
7. When cooking is complete, turn the heat control to "OFF" and unplug from the outlet.
8. Allow the appliance to cool completely before cleaning.

Deep Frying

1. Ensure the multi-cooker is clean and dry.
2. Fill the multi-cooker with cooking oil. Do not exceed the maximum fill line (approximately 8 cups of oil).
3. Insert the Control Master® heat control and plug it in. Set the temperature to the desired frying temperature (e.g., 350°F to 375°F).
4. Preheat the oil until the indicator light turns off.
5. Place food in the steam/fry basket. Do not overload the basket; fry in small batches for best results.
6. Carefully lower the basket into the hot oil.
7. Fry until food is golden brown and cooked through.
8. Lift the basket and hook it onto the side of the multi-cooker to allow excess oil to drain.
9. Remove food from the basket and place on paper towels to absorb any remaining oil.



Image Description: The Presto Big Kettle Multi-Cooker actively deep frying a batch of golden-brown onion rings in its steam/fry basket. The Control Master heat control is visible on the side.

Steaming

1. Add water to the multi-cooker, ensuring it does not touch the bottom of the steam/fry basket when inserted.
2. Place vegetables or other food items in the steam/fry basket.
3. Carefully place the basket into the multi-cooker.
4. Cover with the tempered glass lid.
5. Set the Control Master® heat control to a high setting (e.g., 375°F or 400°F) to bring water to a boil.
6. Once steaming begins, reduce heat to maintain a gentle boil. Steam until food is tender-crisp.



Image Description: The Presto Big Kettle Multi-Cooker with its steam/fry basket filled with shrimp and mixed vegetables (broccoli, cauliflower, bell peppers), ready for steaming.

Stewing, Roasting, and Boiling

1. Add ingredients directly to the multi-cooker pot.
2. Cover with the tempered glass lid.
3. Set the Control Master® heat control to the desired temperature according to your recipe.
4. Monitor cooking progress through the glass lid. Adjust temperature as needed.



Image Description: The Presto Big Kettle Multi-Cooker with its tempered glass lid on, containing a cooked pasta dish with various ingredients, demonstrating its use for stewing or boiling.

MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

1. Always unplug the Control Master® heat control from the wall outlet and the multi-cooker before cleaning.
2. Allow the multi-cooker to cool completely before handling or cleaning.
3. Remove the Control Master® heat control. The heat control unit is not immersible and should be wiped clean with a damp cloth if necessary.
4. The multi-cooker pot, tempered glass cover, and steam/fry basket are fully immersible and dishwasher safe.
5. For hand washing, use warm, soapy water and a non-abrasive sponge or cloth. Rinse thoroughly.
6. Do not use steel wool or abrasive cleaners, as they may damage the nonstick surface.
7. Ensure all parts are completely dry before storing.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Appliance does not heat.	Not plugged in. Heat control not fully seated.	Ensure power cord is securely plugged into a working outlet. Push the Control Master® heat control firmly into the multi-cooker receptacle.
Food not cooking evenly.	Overcrowding the pot/basket. Incorrect temperature setting.	Cook in smaller batches to allow for proper heat circulation. Verify the temperature setting matches recipe requirements.
Oil splattering during deep frying.	Too much moisture on food. Oil temperature too high.	Ensure food is thoroughly dry before placing in hot oil. Lower the oil temperature slightly.

SPECIFICATIONS

Model Number: 06008

Brand: Presto

Capacity: 8-Quart (8 cups oil capacity for deep frying)

Material: Heavy Cast Aluminum Base, Nonstick Surface

Color: Black

Power: 1500 Watts

Dimensions: 8.81"D x 12.06"W x 12.25"H

Item Weight: 5.8 Pounds

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

This Presto appliance is built to provide many years of satisfactory performance under normal household use. For specific warranty information, please refer to the warranty card included with your product packaging or visit the official Presto website. For customer support, parts, or service, please contact Presto Customer Service.

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