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Tefal OptiGrill+ GC7148 Electric Grill and Baking Accessory User Manual

Model: GC7148

1. Introduction

Thank you for choosing the Tefal OptiGrill+ GC7148. This electric grill features advanced technology to automatically adapt cooking time and temperature based on food thickness, ensuring perfect results from rare to well-done. This model also includes a baking accessory for versatile cooking options. Please read this manual carefully before using your appliance for the first time and keep it for future reference.

2. Safety Instructions

To prevent injury or damage to your appliance, please observe the following safety precautions:

- Always ensure the appliance is placed on a stable, heat-resistant, and dry surface.
- Do not use the appliance outdoors.
- Do not immerse the appliance, power cord, or plug in water or any other liquid.
- Keep the appliance out of reach of children.
- Always unplug the appliance from the power outlet when not in use and before cleaning.
- Do not operate the appliance if the power cord or plug is damaged, or if the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any way.
- The grill plates and metal surfaces become very hot during operation. Use oven mitts or handles when touching hot parts.
- Ensure proper ventilation around the appliance during use.

3. Product Overview

Familiarize yourself with the components of your Tefal OptiGrill+ GC7148.

Main Components:

- A. Control Panel with Cooking Level Indicator
- B. Upper Grill Plate

- C. Lower Grill Plate
- D. Drip Tray
- E. Power Cord
- F. Baking Accessory (included with this model)



Image 1: The Tefal OptiGrill+ GC7148 with its baking accessory inserted, ready for use.

4. Setup and First Use

Follow these steps before using your OptiGrill+ for the first time:

1. **Unpack:** Remove all packaging materials, stickers, and accessories from the grill.
2. **Clean Plates:** Wash the grill plates and the drip tray with warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry completely. The plates and drip tray are dishwasher safe.
3. **Install Plates:** Insert the clean grill plates into the appliance until they click into place. Ensure the drip tray is correctly positioned under the front of the grill.
4. **Wipe Down:** Wipe the exterior of the appliance with a soft, damp cloth.
5. **Initial Heat Cycle (Optional):** For the first use, it is recommended to run an empty preheating cycle. Plug in the grill, select any program, and let it preheat. Once preheated, unplug and allow it to cool. This helps to burn off any manufacturing residues.

5. Operating the OptiGrill+

5.1. Preheating

1. Plug the appliance into a power outlet.
2. Select the desired cooking program (e.g., Red Meat, Fish, Sandwich) or Manual Mode.

3. Press the **OK** button to start preheating. The cooking level indicator will flash purple.
4. Once preheating is complete, the appliance will beep, and the indicator light will turn solid purple. The grill is now ready for food.

5.2. Automatic Cooking Programs

The OptiGrill+ features 6 automatic programs that adjust cooking based on food type and thickness:

- **Red Meat:** For steaks, lamb, etc.
- **Burger:** For ground meat patties.
- **Poultry:** For chicken breasts, thighs, etc.
- **Sausage:** For various types of sausages.
- **Fish:** For fillets and whole fish.
- **Sandwich/Panini:** For toasted sandwiches and paninis.



Image 2: Close-up of the OptiGrill+ control panel, showing program selection buttons and the cooking level indicator.

Cooking Level Indicator: The indicator light changes color to show the cooking progress:

- **Purple:** Preheating
- **Blue:** Start of cooking
- **Green:** End of cooking (for some items, this is the rare stage)
- **Yellow:** Rare
- **Orange:** Medium
- **Red:** Well-done

Place food on the grill once preheating is complete. Close the lid. The grill will automatically detect the thickness and adjust. Remove food when your desired cooking level is reached (indicated by color and beeps).

5.3. Manual Mode

For foods not covered by automatic programs or for specific preferences, use Manual Mode:

1. Press the Manual Mode button (thermometer icon).
2. Use the temperature control button to cycle through 4 temperature levels.
3. Press **OK** to confirm and start preheating.
4. Once preheated, place food on the grill. Monitor cooking manually.

5.4. Using the Baking Accessory

The included baking accessory transforms your OptiGrill+ into a mini oven, perfect for gratins, baked dishes, reheating, and more.

1. Ensure the grill plates are installed.
2. Place the baking accessory directly onto the lower grill plate.
3. Add your ingredients to the baking accessory.
4. Close the grill lid.
5. Select the Manual Mode and choose the appropriate temperature setting for your recipe.
6. Press **OK** to start cooking. Monitor the cooking process.



Image 3: A baked dish, such as macaroni and cheese, prepared using the OptiGrill+ baking accessory.

6. Maintenance and Cleaning

Regular cleaning ensures the longevity and performance of your OptiGrill+.

1. **Unplug and Cool:** Always unplug the appliance and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
2. **Remove Plates and Drip Tray:** Press the release buttons to remove the grill plates and slide out the drip tray.
3. **Clean Plates and Drip Tray:** Wash the grill plates and drip tray in warm, soapy water or place them in the dishwasher.

Use a non-abrasive sponge. Do not use metal scouring pads or harsh detergents.

4. **Clean Baking Accessory:** Wash the baking accessory in warm, soapy water or place it in the dishwasher.
5. **Clean Main Unit:** Wipe the exterior of the grill with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or immerse the main unit in water.
6. **Storage:** Ensure all parts are completely dry before reassembling and storing the appliance.

7. Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues with your OptiGrill+, refer to the table below for common problems and solutions.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Grill does not turn on.	Not plugged in; power outlet issue.	Check power cord connection; try a different outlet.
Food is not cooking evenly.	Grill plates not properly installed; food thickness varies greatly.	Ensure plates are clicked into place; try to use food of uniform thickness.
Indicator light not changing color.	Appliance not preheated; sensor issue.	Ensure preheating cycle is complete; unplug and plug back in. If problem persists, contact customer service.
Excessive smoke.	Grill plates or drip tray are dirty; fatty food.	Clean grill plates and drip tray thoroughly. Ensure drip tray is empty.

8. Specifications

Key technical specifications for the Tefal OptiGrill+ GC7148:

Feature	Detail
Brand	Tefal
Model Number	GC7148
Power	2000 Watts
Voltage	230 Volts
Dimensions (L x W x H)	36.5 x 36.5 x 17.5 cm
Weight	6.8 Kilograms
Material	Stainless Steel
Cooking Surface Area	600 cm^2
Special Features	Automatic Sensor Cooking, Cooking Level Indicator, Manual Mode, Baking Accessory

9. Warranty and Support

Your Tefal OptiGrill+ GC7148 is covered by a manufacturer's warranty. Please refer to the warranty card included with your product for specific terms and conditions, including the warranty period and coverage details.
For technical assistance, spare parts, or warranty claims, please contact Tefal customer service in your region. Contact information can typically be found on the Tefal website or in the documentation provided with your appliance.

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