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INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential instructions for the safe and efficient operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your Hobart HCM61-1 Countertop Food Processor. Please read this manual thoroughly before using the appliance to ensure proper function and to prevent injury or damage.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

Always follow basic safety precautions when using electrical appliances to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and injury to persons.

- Read all instructions before operating the food processor.
- Do not immerse the motor base in water or other liquids.
- Keep hands and utensils away from moving blades during operation to prevent severe injury.
- Ensure the lid is securely locked in place before operating.
- Unplug the appliance from the outlet when not in use, before assembling or disassembling parts, and before cleaning.
- Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or after the appliance malfunctions or has been dropped or damaged in any manner.
- This appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory, or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
- Use only attachments recommended or sold by the manufacturer.

SETUP AND ASSEMBLY

1. Unpacking

Carefully remove all components from the packaging. Retain packaging materials for future storage or shipping. Verify all parts are present according to the packing list.

2. Placement

Place the food processor on a stable, level, and dry surface. Ensure adequate ventilation around the unit. Do not place near heat sources or in direct sunlight.

3. Assembly

1. Ensure the motor base is unplugged.
2. Place the processing bowl onto the motor base, aligning the tabs and twisting clockwise until it locks securely.
3. Carefully place the desired blade or disc onto the center shaft within the processing bowl. Handle blades by the plastic hub, as they are very sharp.
4. Place the lid onto the processing bowl, aligning the lid tab with the handle and twisting clockwise until it locks. The unit will not operate unless the lid is properly secured.
5. Insert the food pusher into the feed tube on the lid.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Controls Overview

The Hobart HCM61-1 features a simple control knob for operation. Typically, this includes an OFF position and an ON position. Some models may include a PULSE function.

2. Basic Operation

1. Ensure the unit is properly assembled and plugged into a grounded electrical outlet.
2. Prepare ingredients: Cut food into pieces that fit easily into the feed tube. Do not overfill the processing bowl.
3. Place ingredients into the processing bowl or feed them through the feed tube using the food pusher. Never use your hands to push food down.
4. Turn the control knob to the ON position to begin processing. For intermittent processing, use the PULSE function if available.
5. Process until desired consistency is achieved. Avoid over-processing.
6. Turn the control knob to the OFF position and wait for the blades to stop completely before removing the lid.
7. Carefully remove the lid, then the blade/disc, and empty the processed food.

3. Processing Tips

- For best results, process similar-sized pieces of food together.
- Do not overload the bowl; process in batches if necessary.
- For liquids, ensure the bowl is not filled above the maximum liquid line.
- When chopping herbs or garlic, drop them through the feed tube while the processor is running.

CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Regular cleaning and proper care will extend the life of your Hobart food processor.

1. Cleaning

1. **Always unplug the unit before cleaning.**
2. Disassemble all removable parts: lid, food pusher, processing bowl, and blade/disc.

3. Wash removable parts in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry immediately. Some parts may be dishwasher safe; refer to specific product labeling.
4. Wipe the motor base with a damp cloth. Never immerse the motor base in water.
5. Use a small brush to clean crevices around the control knob and motor base.
6. Ensure all parts are completely dry before reassembling or storing.

2. Blade Care

- Blades are extremely sharp. Handle with extreme caution.
- Store blades safely in their protective covers or within the assembled unit to prevent accidental cuts.
- Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads on blades, as this can dull them.

3. Storage

Store the food processor in a clean, dry place. Ensure all parts are assembled or stored securely to prevent loss or damage.

TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Unit does not start.	Not plugged in. Lid or bowl not properly locked. Power outage. Overload protection activated.	Ensure power cord is securely plugged into a working outlet. Check that the bowl and lid are correctly assembled and locked. Verify power supply to the outlet. Unplug, remove some ingredients, wait 30 minutes, then try again.
Food is unevenly processed.	Too much food in the bowl. Ingredients not cut to uniform size. Processing time too short.	Process in smaller batches. Cut ingredients into similar-sized pieces before processing. Process for a longer duration or use the pulse function.
Motor sounds strained or stops.	Overloaded bowl. Hard ingredients.	Reduce the amount of food. Cut hard ingredients into smaller pieces. If overload protection activates, unplug and let the unit cool down.

If problems persist after attempting these solutions, please contact Hobart customer support.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

- **Model:** HCM61-1
- **Brand:** Hobart
- **Power:** 1-1/2 HP (Horsepower)
- **Wattage:** 550 watts
- **Material:** Aluminum, Plastic, Stainless Steel

- **Item Weight:** 66 pounds (approximately 29.9 kg)
- **Product Dimensions:** 13.5"D x 12"W x 18.5"H (approximately 34.3cm D x 30.5cm W x 47cm H)



Image: Hobart HCM61-1 Countertop Food Processor showing its approximate dimensions: 18.5 inches in height, 13.5 inches in depth, and 12 inches in width.

WARRANTY AND CUSTOMER SUPPORT

Warranty Information

Hobart products are manufactured to high-quality standards and are backed by a manufacturer's warranty. Specific warranty terms and conditions may vary by region and purchase date. Please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Hobart website for detailed warranty information.

Customer Support

For technical assistance, parts, or service inquiries, please contact Hobart customer support. Have your model number (HCM61-1) and serial number ready when contacting support.

- **Online Support:** Visit the official Hobart website (e.g., www.hobartcorp.com)
- **Phone Support:** Refer to your product documentation for regional contact numbers.

