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Model: AFCV185W

## 1. INTRODUCTION

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This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation, installation, and maintenance of your ARTICA AFCV185W Vertical Freezer. Please read this manual thoroughly before using the appliance and keep it for future reference.

The ARTICA AFCV185W is a high-efficiency vertical freezer designed for optimal food preservation, featuring No-Frost technology to prevent ice build-up.

## 2. SAFETY INFORMATION

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### Important Safety Instructions:

- Ensure the freezer is connected to a properly grounded electrical outlet with the correct voltage (220 Volts).
- Do not use extension cords or ungrounded adapters.
- Keep ventilation openings clear of obstruction.
- Do not store explosive substances such as aerosol cans with a flammable propellant in this appliance.
- Do not damage the refrigerant circuit.
- This appliance is intended for household use only.
- Unplug the appliance before cleaning or performing any maintenance.
- If the supply cord is damaged, it must be replaced by the manufacturer, its service agent, or similarly qualified persons to avoid a hazard.

## 3. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

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### 3.1 Unpacking

Carefully remove all packaging materials, including foam and adhesive tape. Inspect the freezer for any shipping damage. Report any damage to your retailer immediately.

## 3.2 Placement

- Place the freezer on a firm, level floor. Use the adjustable feet to level the appliance if necessary.
- Ensure adequate ventilation around the freezer. Allow at least 10 cm (4 inches) of space at the back and sides for proper air circulation.
- Avoid placing the freezer in direct sunlight or near heat sources such as stoves, radiators, or heaters, as this will increase energy consumption.
- The appliance is designed for an "Offset" installation type.

## 3.3 Electrical Connection

Before plugging in the freezer, ensure the voltage and frequency indicated on the rating plate match your household power supply (220V). The appliance must be properly grounded.

## 3.4 Door Reversal

The door of your ARTICA AFCV185W freezer is reversible, allowing it to open from either the left or right side. Refer to the detailed diagrams in the separate installation guide (if provided) or contact a qualified technician for door reversal instructions. This process typically involves moving hinges and plugs from one side to the other.

## 3.5 Initial Startup

After installation, wait at least 2-4 hours before plugging in the freezer to allow the refrigerant to settle. Once plugged in, let the freezer run empty for 24 hours to reach its optimal operating temperature before loading food.



Front view of the ARTICA AFCV185W vertical freezer, showing its white finish and integrated handle.

# 4. OPERATING YOUR FREEZER

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## 4.1 Temperature Control

Your freezer is equipped with a temperature control system, typically a dial or electronic panel, located inside the appliance or on the exterior. Set the temperature to the recommended setting for frozen food storage, usually around -18°C (0°F). Adjust as needed based on ambient temperature and food load.

## 4.2 Food Storage Guidelines

- Always package food properly in airtight containers or freezer bags to prevent freezer burn and odor transfer.
- Do not overload the freezer. Allow space for air circulation.

- Freeze fresh food in small quantities to ensure rapid freezing.
- Avoid placing hot food directly into the freezer; allow it to cool down first.

### 4.3 No-Frost Feature

The ARTICA AFCV185W features No-Frost technology, which circulates cold air to prevent ice build-up. This means manual defrosting is generally not required. However, ensure the door seal is clean and intact to maintain efficiency.

## 5. MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

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### 5.1 Cleaning the Interior

Unplug the freezer before cleaning. Remove all food items. Clean the interior with a solution of mild detergent and warm water. Rinse thoroughly and dry completely before plugging the freezer back in and returning food.

### 5.2 Cleaning the Exterior

Wipe the exterior surfaces with a soft cloth dampened with mild detergent. For the white finish, avoid abrasive cleaners. Keep the condenser coils (located at the back) clean by gently vacuuming them periodically to ensure efficient operation.

### 5.3 Door Seal Care

Regularly inspect and clean the door gasket to ensure a tight seal. A damaged or dirty gasket can lead to frost build-up and increased energy consumption. Clean with warm water and a soft cloth.

### 5.4 Power Outage

In case of a power outage, keep the freezer door closed to maintain the internal temperature for as long as possible. Food can remain frozen for several hours depending on the ambient temperature and how full the freezer is.

## 6. TROUBLESHOOTING

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Before contacting service, check the following common issues:

| Problem                     | Possible Cause   | Solution   |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Freezer does not operate.   | No power supply; power cord unplugged; circuit breaker tripped.                                  | Check power outlet, plug, and circuit breaker.   |
| Freezer is not cold enough. | Temperature setting too high; door opened too frequently; excessive food load; poor ventilation. | Adjust temperature setting; ensure door is closed properly; reduce food load; check ventilation. |
| Excessive noise.            | Freezer not level; objects vibrating against the unit; fan obstruction.                          | Level the freezer; ensure nothing is touching the back or sides; check for fan obstruction.      |
| Water on floor.             | Drain pan overflowing; door not sealed properly.   | Check and empty drain pan; inspect and clean door gasket.  |

If the problem persists after checking these points, please contact qualified service personnel.

## 7. SPECIFICATIONS

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| Feature | Detail |
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| Feature                 | Detail   |
|-------------------------|--|
| Brand                   | ARTICA   |
| Model                   | AFCV185W   |
| Product Model Number    | 8544992212215  |
| Type                    | Vertical Freezer   |
| Dimensions (H x W x D)  | 185 cm x 60 cm x 60 cm (approximate, based on product title and common freezer dimensions)               |
| Weight                  | 2 Kilograms (Note: This value appears unusually low for a freezer of this size and may be a data error.) |
| Energy Efficiency Class | A++  |
| No-Frost Technology     | Yes  |
| Voltage                 | 220 Volts  |
| Door Orientation        | Reversible   |
| Color                   | White  |
| Installation Type       | Offset   |

*Note: Specifications are subject to change without notice. Please refer to the product label for the most accurate information.*

## 8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

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For warranty information and technical support, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or contact ARTICA customer service directly. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase for warranty claims. For further assistance, visit the official ARTICA website or contact their authorized service centers.