

Philips GC552/46

Philips Garment Steamer GC552/46 User Manual

Model: GC552/46

1. INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing the Philips Garment Steamer GC552/46. This manual provides essential information for the safe and effective use of your new garment steamer. Please read it thoroughly before first use and keep it for future reference.

The Philips Garment Steamer GC552/46 is designed to remove creases and refresh garments with powerful continuous steam. It features an extra-long Style Board for comprehensive garment steaming, Flex Head technology for easy reach, and multiple steam settings for various fabric types. The steamer also includes a fabric brush for thicker garments and a Hang Lock feature for secure garment placement. Designed for easy maintenance with Easy Rinse descaling.

2. IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

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

- Read all instructions before use.
- Do not immerse the appliance, power cord, or plug in water or other liquids.
- Keep the appliance and its cord out of reach of children.
- Do not leave the appliance unattended while it is connected to the power supply.
- Use the appliance only for its intended household use.
- Always unplug the appliance from the electrical outlet before filling with water, emptying, cleaning, or when not in use.
- 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.

- The steam is hot. Do not direct steam at people, pets, or directly at electrical outlets.
- Wear the provided protective glove when steaming to protect your hand.

3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Verify that all items are present in the box:

- Philips Garment Steamer Base Unit
- Adjustable Double Pole
- Steam Head with Flex Head Technology
- Extra-long Style Board
- Fabric Brush attachment
- Garment Hanger with Hang Lock
- Protective Glove
- Water Tank
- User Manual (this document)



Image: The Philips Garment Steamer GC552/46 packaging, illustrating the various components and accessories included in the box.

4. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Familiarize yourself with the main parts of your garment steamer:

1. Steam Head with Flex Head
2. Steam Hose

3. Adjustable Double Pole
4. Garment Hanger with Hang Lock
5. Extra-long Style Board
6. Water Tank
7. Base Unit with Control Dial
8. Power Cord



Image: A view of the Philips Garment Steamer GC552/46, showing its main components including the base, poles, Style Board, and steam head.

5. SETUP AND ASSEMBLY

Follow these steps to assemble your garment steamer:

1. **Attach the Poles:** Insert the adjustable double poles into the designated slots on the base unit until they click into place.
2. **Mount the Garment Hanger:** Slide the garment hanger onto the top of the poles. Ensure it is securely seated.
3. **Attach the Style Board:** Position the extra-long Style Board onto the hanger, ensuring it is stable and upright.
4. **Connect the Steam Head:** Ensure the steam hose is properly connected to the base unit. The steam head will rest on the hanger.
5. **Fill the Water Tank:** Remove the water tank from the base unit. Open the filling cap and fill the tank with clean tap water up to the MAX level. Close the cap securely and place the tank back into the base unit.





Image: The fully assembled Philips Garment Steamer GC552/46, ready for use.

6. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 Preparing for Steaming

1. Ensure the water tank is filled.
2. Plug the power cord into a grounded electrical outlet.
3. Turn the control dial on the base unit to the desired steam setting. The indicator light will illuminate.
4. Wait for the steamer to heat up. This typically takes less than 30 seconds. The indicator light may change color or stop blinking when ready.

6.2 Steaming Garments

1. Hang the garment on the provided hanger. Use the Hang Lock feature to secure it.
2. For optimal results, press the steam head gently against the garment while pulling the fabric taut with your free hand (wearing the protective glove).
3. Move the steam head slowly downwards over the fabric. The Flex Head technology allows for easy movement and reaching the bottom of garments.
4. For thicker fabrics, attach the fabric brush accessory for deeper steam penetration.
5. Adjust the steam setting using the control dial if needed, based on the fabric type.
6. After steaming, allow the garment to cool and dry before wearing or storing.



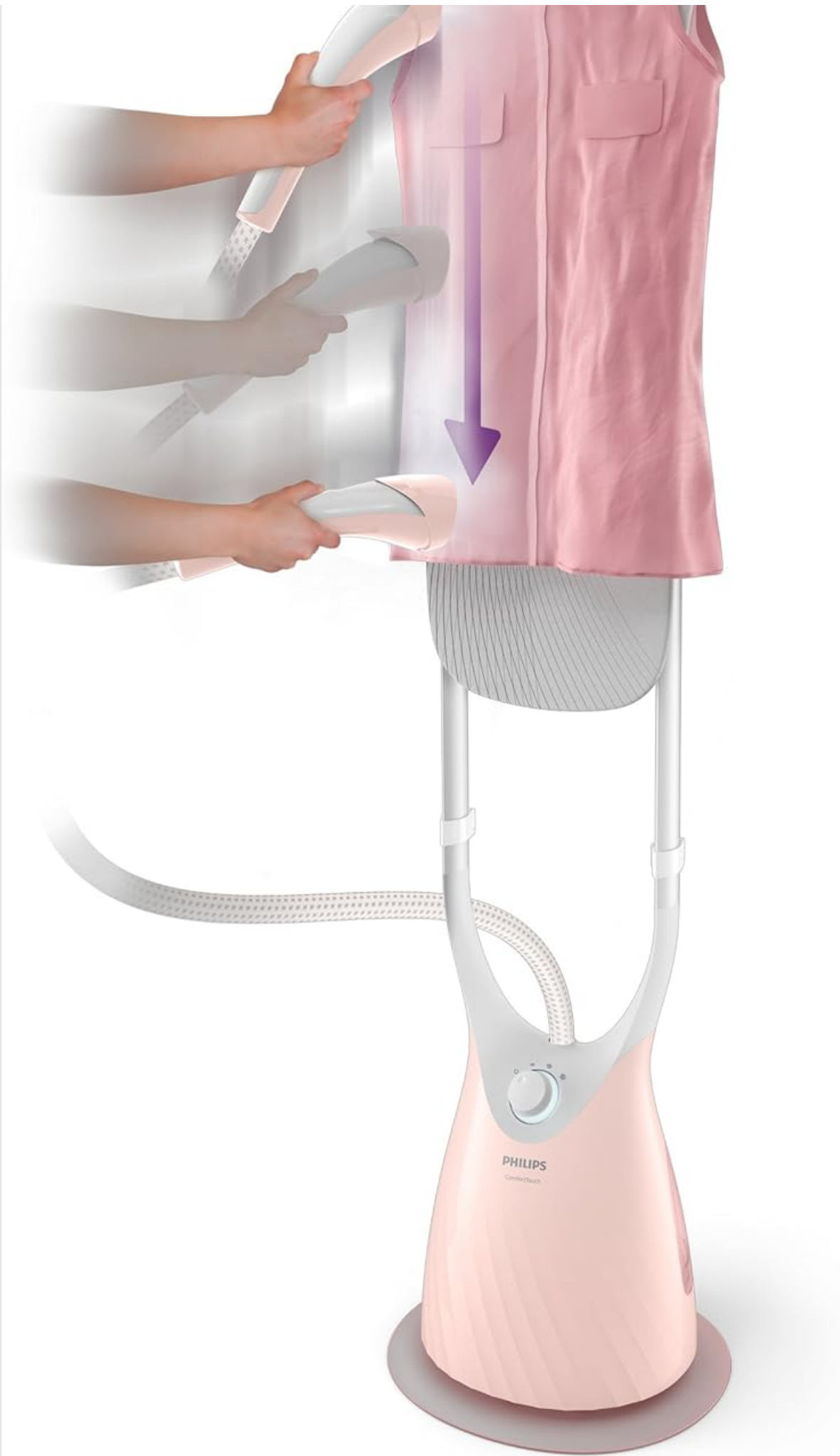


Image: A user demonstrating the steaming process on a garment, highlighting the downward motion and use of the Flex Head.



Image: A close-up view of the Flex Head technology, illustrating its flexible design for improved contact with fabric.

7. MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

7.1 Descaling (Easy Rinse)

Regular descaling is crucial for maintaining optimal steam performance and extending the lifespan of your steamer. The Philips GC552/46 features an Easy Rinse descaling function.

1. Ensure the appliance is unplugged and completely cooled down.
2. Remove the water tank.
3. Locate the Easy Rinse cap at the bottom of the base unit. Unscrew and remove it.
4. Drain all water from the base unit.
5. Rinse the water reservoir with clean water several times to remove any scale buildup.
6. Replace the Easy Rinse cap and screw it tightly.

7. Refill the water tank with fresh water before next use.

Perform descaling every 1-2 months, or more frequently if you live in a hard water area or use the steamer often.

7.2 Cleaning the Steamer

- Wipe the exterior of the appliance with a soft, damp cloth.
- Clean the steam head plate with a damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads.
- Empty the water tank after each use to prevent mineral buildup.

7.3 Storage

When not in use, store the garment steamer in a dry, safe place. Ensure the water tank is empty and the appliance is cool before storing.

8. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
No steam or very little steam.	Water tank is empty. Appliance not heated up. Scale buildup.	Fill the water tank. Wait for the indicator light to show readiness. Perform Easy Rinse descaling.
Water dripping from steam head.	Appliance not hot enough. Condensation in hose.	Allow more time for preheating. Hold the steam head away from the garment and allow it to steam for a few seconds to clear condensation.
Steamer not turning on.	Not plugged in. Power outlet issue.	Ensure power cord is securely plugged in. Test the outlet with another appliance.

9. SPECIFICATIONS

- **Model:** GC552/46
- **Brand:** Philips
- **Power:** 1800 Watts
- **Continuous Steam:** 35 g/min
- **Heat-up Time:** Less than 30 seconds
- **Water Tank Capacity:** 1.5 Liters
- **Dimensions (L x W x H):** 37L x 46W x 65H centimetres
- **Item Weight:** 5.5 Kilograms
- **Color:** Pink

10. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

This Philips Garment Steamer GC552/46 comes with a **2-Year International Manufacturer Warranty**.

For detailed warranty terms and conditions, or for product support, please refer to the official Philips website or contact Philips customer service in your region. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase.

You can find more information and register your product at www.philips.com/support.



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