

Westinghouse WKAF12

Westinghouse Air Fryer WKAF12 Instruction Manual

Model: WKAF12

1. IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and injury to persons. Read all instructions carefully before operating the Westinghouse Air Fryer WKAF12.

- **Do not immerse:** Never immerse the main unit housing, which contains electrical components and heating elements, in water or rinse under the tap.
- **Electrical Safety:** Ensure the voltage indicated on the appliance corresponds to your local mains voltage before connecting the appliance. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug.
- **Hot Surfaces:** Surfaces may become hot during use. Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs. Always use oven mitts when handling hot components.
- **Ventilation:** Do not cover the air intake or air outlet vents while the appliance is operating. Ensure adequate space (at least 10 cm) around the appliance for proper air circulation.
- **Placement:** Place the appliance on a stable, heat-resistant surface. Do not place near flammable materials or heat sources.
- **Children:** 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.
- **Overfilling:** Do not overfill the basket.
- **Unplug:** Always unplug the appliance from the outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Allow it to cool down completely before handling.

2. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Westinghouse Air Fryer WKAF12 is designed for healthy cooking with minimal oil. It features a 3.5L capacity and intuitive controls.



Figure 2.1: Front view of the Westinghouse Air Fryer WKAF12, showing the main unit with the handle and control panel.



Figure 2.2: Top view of the air fryer, highlighting the temperature and timer control knobs on the silver control panel.

Components:

- **Main Unit Housing:** Made of PP plastic, houses the heating element and fan.
- **Control Panel:** Spray silver finish, includes temperature and timer knobs.
- **Temperature Knob:** Adjusts cooking temperature from 60-200°C.
- **Timer Knob:** Sets cooking time up to 60 minutes with a bell indicator.
- **Power ON Light (Red):** Indicates the appliance is powered on.
- **Heating ON Light (Green):** Illuminates when the heating element is active and turns off when the set temperature is reached.
- **Slide-out Drawer:** Contains the frying basket.
- **Detachable Frying Basket:** Non-stick coated and food-grade, dishwasher safe.
- **Cool-touch Handle:** With stainless steel decoration for safe handling.



Figure 2.3: The air fryer with its basket partially pulled out, demonstrating the slide-out drawer mechanism.



Figure 2.4: The interior of the air fryer with the frying basket removed, showing the non-stick coated inner pot.

3. SETUP AND FIRST USE

3.1 Unpacking

1. Remove all packaging materials, stickers, and labels from the appliance.
2. Remove the frying basket and drawer from the main unit.

3.2 Cleaning Before First Use

1. Wash the frying basket and drawer thoroughly with hot water, dish soap, and a non-abrasive sponge. These parts are dishwasher safe.
2. Wipe the inside and outside of the main unit with a damp cloth. Do not immerse the main unit in water.
3. Ensure all parts are completely dry before use.

3.3 Placement

1. Place the air fryer on a stable, level, and heat-resistant surface.
2. Ensure there is at least 10 cm of free space on the back and sides, and above the appliance, to allow for proper air circulation.
3. Do not place the appliance against a wall or other appliances.

3.4 Power Connection

1. Plug the power cord into a grounded wall outlet. The red Power ON light will illuminate.
2. The appliance is now ready for use.

4. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The Westinghouse Air Fryer WKAF12 uses rapid air circulation to cook food, offering a healthier alternative to deep frying.



Figure 4.1: Close-up view of the control panel, showing the temperature knob (top) and timer knob (bottom) with indicator lights.

4.1 Preheating (Optional)

For best results, especially with certain foods, preheating is recommended.

1. Ensure the frying basket is empty and securely placed in the drawer.

2. Turn the temperature knob to the desired cooking temperature (e.g., 180°C).
3. Turn the timer knob to 3-5 minutes. The green Heating ON light will illuminate.
4. Once the timer rings, the air fryer is preheated.

4.2 Cooking Process

1. Carefully pull out the drawer by the cool-touch handle.
2. Place your ingredients into the frying basket. Do not exceed the MAX fill line or overfill to ensure even cooking.
3. Slide the drawer back into the air fryer until it clicks into place.
4. Turn the temperature knob to the desired temperature (60-200°C).
5. Turn the timer knob to the required cooking time (up to 60 minutes). The red Power ON light and green Heating ON light will illuminate.
6. During cooking, the green Heating ON light will cycle on and off as the air fryer maintains the set temperature.
7. Some foods may require shaking or tossing halfway through cooking. To do this, carefully pull out the drawer, shake the basket, and then slide it back in. The air fryer will resume cooking.
8. When the timer rings, cooking is complete. The appliance will automatically shut off.
9. Carefully pull out the drawer and place it on a heat-resistant surface.
10. Remove the cooked food using tongs or by detaching the basket from the drawer and emptying it.
11. Unplug the appliance from the wall outlet.

4.3 Recommended Uses

The WKAF12 Air Fryer is suitable for:

- **Frying:** For crispy results with less oil.
- **Roasting:** Ideal for vegetables and smaller cuts of meat.
- **Baking:** Suitable for small cakes, muffins, or pastries.
- **Dehydrating:** Can be used for simple dehydration tasks at lower temperatures.

5. CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

Regular cleaning ensures optimal performance and extends the lifespan of your air fryer.

1. **Unplug and Cool:** Always unplug the air fryer and allow it to cool down completely before cleaning.
2. **Frying Basket and Drawer:** The detachable frying basket and drawer are non-stick coated and dishwasher safe. Alternatively, wash them with hot water, dish soap, and a non-abrasive sponge.
3. **Interior:** Wipe the interior of the appliance with a damp cloth and mild detergent. Do not use abrasive cleaners or metal scouring pads.
4. **Exterior:** Clean the exterior with a damp cloth.
5. **Heating Element:** Use a cleaning brush to remove any food residue from the heating element.
6. **Drying:** Ensure all parts are thoroughly dry before reassembling or storing the appliance.

5.1 Storage

Store the cleaned and dried air fryer in a cool, dry place, away from direct sunlight and out of reach of children.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your air fryer, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Air fryer does not turn on.	Appliance not plugged in. Timer not set.	Ensure the power cord is securely plugged into a grounded outlet. Turn the timer knob to the desired cooking time.
Food is not cooked evenly.	Basket is overfilled. Food not shaken/tossed.	Do not overfill the basket. Cook in smaller batches if necessary. Shake or toss ingredients halfway through cooking.
White smoke comes from the appliance.	Grease residue from previous use. Fatty ingredients cooking.	Clean the basket and interior thoroughly after each use. For very fatty foods, consider draining excess fat during cooking.
Food is not crispy.	Not enough oil (for some foods). Temperature too low or time too short.	Lightly brush or spray food with oil. Increase temperature or cooking time as needed.

If the problem persists after trying these solutions, please contact Westinghouse customer support.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Detailed technical specifications for the Westinghouse Air Fryer WKAF12.

- **Model:** WKAF12
- **Brand:** Westinghouse
- **Capacity:** 3.5 Litres
- **Wattage:** 1500 Watts
- **Control Method:** Jog dial (Temperature and Timer knobs)
- **Max Temperature Setting:** 200 Degrees Celsius
- **Timer:** 60 minutes with bell
- **Housing Material:** PP plastic
- **Control Panel Finish:** Spray silver
- **Inner Material:** Non-stick coated (frying basket)
- **Dishwasher Safe Parts:** Frying basket and drawer
- **Special Features:** Programmable, Overheat protection, Cool-touch handle
- **Recommended Uses:** Bake, Dehydrating, Frying, Roast

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information, service, or technical support, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Westinghouse website. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase.

Westinghouse Customer Support: Please visit the Westinghouse official website for contact details and support resources specific to your region.