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Model: KCO255

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation of your KitchenAid Dual Convection Countertop Oven, Model KCO255. Please read all instructions carefully before using the appliance to ensure proper function and to prevent injury or damage.

The KitchenAid Dual Convection Countertop Oven offers the versatility of a full-size oven in a compact design, featuring dual convection technology for faster cooking and a built-in temperature probe for precise results.

2. IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including the following:

- Read all instructions before use.
- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- To protect against electrical shock, do not immerse cord, plugs, or appliance in water or other liquid.
- Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
- Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Allow to cool before putting on or taking off parts.
- Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug or after the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner.
- The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the appliance manufacturer may cause injuries.
- Do not use outdoors.
- Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter, or touch hot surfaces.
- Do not place on or near a hot gas or electric burner, or in a heated oven.
- Extreme caution must be used when moving an appliance containing hot oil or other hot liquids.
- Always attach plug to appliance first, then plug cord into the wall outlet. To disconnect, turn any control to "off", then remove plug from wall outlet.
- Do not use appliance for other than intended use.

- Oversize foods or metal utensils must not be inserted in a toaster oven as they may create a fire or risk of electric shock.
- A fire may occur if the oven is covered or touching flammable material, including curtains, draperies, walls, and the like, when in operation.
- Do not place any of the following materials in the oven: paper, cardboard, plastic, or similar materials.
- Do not store any materials, other than manufacturer's recommended accessories, in this oven when not in use.
- Do not place cooking utensils or baking dishes on the glass door.
- Do not clean with metal scouring pads. Pieces can break off the pad and touch electrical parts, creating a risk of electric shock.
- Extreme caution should be exercised when using containers constructed of other than metal or glass.
- To avoid burns, always use oven mitts when inserting or removing items from the hot oven.

3. PRODUCT COMPONENTS

The KitchenAid Dual Convection Countertop Oven KCO255 includes the following items:

- 1 Countertop Oven
- 1 9x13-inch baking pan with grill rack
- 1 Removable metal drip and crumb tray
- 1 Removable metal rack
- 1 Temperature probe



Figure 3.1: Front view of the KitchenAid Dual Convection Countertop Oven KCO255, showing the digital display and control knob.

4. SETUP

4.1 Unpacking

1. Carefully remove all packaging materials and accessories from the oven.
2. Remove any protective film or stickers from the oven surfaces.

4.2 Placement

Place the oven on a stable, level, heat-resistant surface. Ensure there is at least 4 inches of clearance on the sides and back of the oven for proper ventilation. Do not place the oven directly under upper cabinets if heat vents are located at the top rear.



Figure 4.1: The KitchenAid Countertop Oven KCO255 positioned on a kitchen counter, demonstrating appropriate clearance.

4.3 Initial Cleaning

Before first use, wipe the interior and exterior of the oven with a damp cloth. Wash the baking pan, grill rack, drip tray, and metal rack in warm, soapy water. Rinse and dry thoroughly.

4.4 Power Connection

Plug the oven into a grounded 120V AC electrical outlet. Ensure the circuit is not overloaded by other high-wattage appliances.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 Control Panel Overview

The oven features an easy-to-read digital display and a control knob for selecting functions, temperature, and time.

- **Function Button:** Press to cycle through cooking functions.
- **Temp/Shade Button:** Adjusts temperature or toast shade.
- **Time/Slices Button:** Adjusts cooking time or number of toast slices.
- **Control Knob:** Turn to adjust settings (temperature, time, slices). Press to confirm selection.
- **Start Button:** Initiates the cooking cycle.
- **Cancel Button:** Stops the current cooking cycle.

5.2 Cooking Functions

The oven offers 12 preset cooking functions:

- **Toast:** For toasting bread.
- **Bagel:** Optimized for bagels.
- **Bake:** Standard baking.
- **Broil:** For broiling foods.
- **Roast:** For roasting meats and vegetables.
- **Convection Bake:** Utilizes dual convection for faster, more even baking.
- **Cookies:** Preset for baking cookies.
- **Pizza:** Preset for cooking pizza.
- **Keep Warm:** Maintains food temperature.
- **Reheat:** For reheating cooked foods.
- **Frozen:** For cooking frozen items.
- **Dough Proofing:** Provides a warm environment for dough to rise.

5.3 Using the Temperature Probe

The built-in temperature probe allows for precise cooking by monitoring the internal temperature of food.

1. Insert the probe into the thickest part of the food, avoiding bone or fat.
2. Plug the probe into the designated port on the oven.
3. Select a cooking function that supports the temperature probe (e.g., Roast).
4. Set the desired internal temperature using the control knob. The oven will automatically stop cooking when the target temperature is reached.



Figure 5.1: A user inserting the temperature probe into a roast, ensuring accurate internal temperature monitoring.

5.4 Dual Convection Feature

The Dual Convection Bake setting circulates hot air throughout the oven cavity, resulting in faster and more even cooking. This feature can reduce cooking times by up to 20% compared to traditional bake settings, particularly for items like chicken.



Figure 5.2: The interior of the oven during operation, showing a roast and vegetables on the rack, benefiting from the dual convection system.

5.5 Monitoring Cooking Progress

The oven includes an integrated interior light. Turn the light on to monitor your cooking progress through the window without opening the door and disturbing the dish.





Figure 5.3: The oven door open, revealing a cooked chicken and other dishes, illustrating the oven's capacity and interior visibility.

6. CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

Regular cleaning ensures optimal performance and longevity of your oven.

6.1 Interior Cleaning

The oven features a non-stick interior for easy cleaning. After the oven has cooled, wipe the interior with a damp cloth and mild detergent. Avoid abrasive cleaners or scouring pads that could damage the non-stick coating.

6.2 Crumb Tray

The removable metal drip and crumb tray should be cleaned regularly. Simply slide it out from the bottom of the oven, discard crumbs, and wash with warm, soapy water. Rinse and dry thoroughly before reinserting.

6.3 Exterior Cleaning

Wipe the exterior surfaces with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use harsh chemicals or abrasive cleaners.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your KitchenAid Dual Convection Countertop Oven, refer to the following common solutions:

- **Oven not turning on:** Ensure the power cord is securely plugged into a functional electrical outlet. Check your household circuit breaker.
- **Uneven cooking:** Ensure food is placed centrally on the rack. Utilize the convection bake function for more even heat distribution. Allow adequate preheating time.
- **Oven not heating to desired temperature:** Verify the temperature setting. Ensure the oven door is fully closed.
- **Excessive smoke:** This may indicate food residue or grease buildup. Clean the interior and crumb tray thoroughly.
- **Control panel unresponsive:** Unplug the oven from the power outlet for a few minutes, then plug it back in to reset the system.

For persistent issues, contact KitchenAid customer support.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Specification
Brand	KitchenAid
Model Number	KCO255
Control Type	Knob
Door Style	Dropdown Door
Finish Type	Non-stick
Product Dimensions	16.4 x 18.5 x 13 inches
Item Weight	20.3 pounds
Special Feature	Manual

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information and customer support, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official KitchenAid website. Keep your purchase receipt for warranty claims.

Online Support: www.kitchenaid.com

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