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Model: NL-GAQ10 | Capacity: 1.0L

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential instructions for the safe and efficient operation of your Zojirushi NL-GAQ10 Multifunction Rice Cooker. Please read all instructions carefully before use and retain this manual for future reference.



Figure 1: Zojirushi NL-GAQ10 Multifunction Rice Cooker

The Zojirushi NL-GAQ10 is designed for versatile cooking, featuring functions for various rice types, steaming, and slow cooking. It includes a black thick inner cooking pan for even heating, a removable steam vent cap to prevent overflows, and a detachable inner lid for easy cleaning.

2. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

To ensure safe operation and prevent damage, always follow these precautions:

- Do not immerse the main unit in water or other liquids.
- Ensure the power cord is securely plugged into a grounded outlet.
- Keep out of reach of children.
- Do not touch the steam vent during operation, as hot steam is released.
- Always unplug the rice cooker when not in use or before cleaning.
- Use only the provided inner pot and accessories.

3. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

3.1 Components

- Main Unit
- Inner Cooking Pan
- Inner Lid (detachable)
- Steam Vent Cap (removable)
- Measuring Cup
- Rice Spatula
- Spatula Holder
- Steaming Tray
- Power Cord



Figure 2: Included Accessories

3.2 Control Panel



Figure 3: Control Panel

- **CANCEL:** Stops current operation.
- **KEEP WARM / EXTENDED KEEP WARM:** Maintains cooked food at serving temperature.
- **MENU:** Selects cooking modes (White, Premium, Quick, Brown, GABA Brown, Quinoa, Steel Cut Oatmeal, Mixed, Sushi, Congee, Steam, Slow Cook).
- **TIMER:** Sets delayed cooking start time.
- **START / REHEAT:** Begins cooking or reheats.

4. SETUP

1. **Unpack:** Carefully remove all components from the packaging.
2. **Clean:** Wash the inner cooking pan, inner lid, steam vent cap, measuring cup, rice spatula, and steaming tray with warm soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry. Wipe the exterior of the main unit with a damp cloth.
3. **Assemble:** Ensure the inner lid and steam vent cap are correctly attached to the main unit. Place the inner cooking pan inside the main unit.
4. **Placement:** Place the rice cooker on a stable, flat surface away from direct heat sources and moisture. Ensure adequate ventilation around the unit.
5. **Connect Power:** Plug the power cord into the rice cooker and then into a suitable electrical outlet.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 Basic Rice Cooking (White Rice)

1. Measure the desired amount of rice using the provided measuring cup.
2. Wash the rice thoroughly until the water runs clear.
3. Place the washed rice into the inner cooking pan. Add water up to the corresponding water level

mark for "WHITE" rice. For example, for 3 cups of rice, fill to the "3" mark on the "WHITE" scale.



Figure 4: Inner Pot Water Level Markings

4. Close the outer lid securely.
5. Press the **MENU** button repeatedly until "WHITE" is selected.
6. Press the **START/REHEAT** button to begin cooking. A melody will sound, and the cooking indicator will illuminate.
7. Once cooking is complete, a melody will sound, and the unit will automatically switch to the "KEEP WARM" function.

5.2 Specialty Cooking Modes

The NL-GAQ10 offers various cooking modes. Follow the general steps for basic rice cooking, but select the appropriate menu option using the **MENU** button:

- **BROWN:** For brown rice. Refer to the inner pot markings for water levels.
- **GABA BROWN:** Activates brown rice for increased GABA content before cooking.
- **QUINOA:** Specifically designed for cooking quinoa.
- **STEEL CUT OATMEAL:** For preparing steel cut oats.
- **MIXED:** For cooking mixed rice dishes.
- **CONGEE:** For preparing rice porridge.
- **STEAM:** Use with the steaming tray for steaming vegetables or other foods. Add water to the inner pot according to the recipe, place food on the steaming tray, and select "STEAM".
- **SLOW COOK:** For slow cooking stews, soups, or other dishes. Add ingredients to the inner pot, select "SLOW COOK", and set the desired cooking time.

5.3 Timer Function

The timer function allows you to set a delayed cooking start time so your meal is ready when you need it.

1. Prepare rice and water in the inner pot as usual.

2. Select the desired cooking menu (e.g., "WHITE").
3. Press the **TIMER** button. The timer indicator will flash.
4. Use the hour and minute buttons to adjust the desired completion time.
5. Press **START/REHEAT**. The timer indicator will remain lit, and the unit will start cooking automatically at the calculated time to finish at your set time.

5.4 Keep Warm Function

After cooking, the rice cooker automatically switches to the "KEEP WARM" function to maintain the rice at an optimal serving temperature. For longer warming periods, select "EXTENDED KEEP WARM" if available on your model.

6. CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Regular cleaning ensures optimal performance and longevity of your rice cooker.

1. **Unplug:** Always unplug the unit and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
2. **Inner Pot:** Wash the inner cooking pan with warm soapy water using a soft sponge. Do not use abrasive cleaners or metal scrubbers, as this can damage the non-stick coating.
3. **Inner Lid & Steam Vent Cap:** Detach the inner lid and steam vent cap. Wash them with warm soapy water, rinse, and dry thoroughly.



Figure 5: Detachable Inner Lid

4. **Main Unit Exterior:** Wipe the exterior of the main unit with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use harsh chemicals.
5. **Spatula & Measuring Cup:** Wash with warm soapy water.
6. **Storage:** Store the rice cooker in a dry place when not in use.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

| Problem | Possible Cause | Solution |
|-------------------------|--|--|
| Rice is too hard/dry | Insufficient water; old rice; inner pot not seated correctly. | Add more water next time; use fresh rice; ensure inner pot is properly placed. |
| Rice is too soft/sticky | Too much water; new rice. | Reduce water next time; adjust for new rice. |
| Unit does not start | Power cord not plugged in; lid not closed properly; wrong setting. | Check power connection; close lid securely; select correct cooking mode. |
| Steam leaks from lid | Inner lid or steam vent cap not installed correctly; gasket dirty/damaged. | Reinstall inner lid/steam vent cap; clean or replace gasket. |

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

8. SPECIFICATIONS

| Feature | Detail |
|--------------------|---|
| Model Number | NL-GAQ10 |
| Capacity | 1.0 Liters |
| Wattage | 610 watts |
| Material | Stainless Steel |
| Color | Black/Grey |
| Product Dimensions | 38 x 25.5 x 22 cm |
| Weight | 4.32 kg |
| Power Source | Corded Electric |
| Special Features | Steam Vent, Triple Heater (Lid, Body, Bottom) |

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

This Zojirushi product comes with a standard brand warranty. For specific warranty details, claims, or technical support, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Zojirushi website. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase.

For further assistance, you may also contact the retailer where the product was purchased.

