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INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the Alessi Plissé Toaster. This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your appliance. Please read this manual thoroughly before first use and keep it for future reference.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

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

- Read all instructions.
- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- To protect against electrical shock, do not immerse cord, plugs, or toaster 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 dropped or damaged in any manner. Return appliance to the nearest authorized service facility for examination, repair, or adjustment.
- 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.
- Do not use appliance for other than intended use.
- Oversize foods, metal foil packages, or utensils must not be inserted in a toaster as they may create a risk of fire or electric shock.
- A fire may occur if toasters are covered or touching flammable material, including curtains, draperies, walls, and the

like, when in operation.

- Do not attempt to dislodge food when toaster is plugged in.
- Do not operate unattended.
- To disconnect, remove plug from wall outlet.
- This appliance is for household use only.

PRODUCT COMPONENTS

Familiarize yourself with the parts of your Alessi Plissé Toaster:

1. Toasting Slots
2. Browning Control Knob (1-6 settings)
3. Lifting Lever
4. Cancel Button
5. Defrost Button
6. Bagel Button
7. Crumb Tray
8. Power Indicator Light



Image: Front-side view of the Alessi Plissé Toaster, highlighting its pleated design and control layout.



Image: Detailed view of the toaster's control panel, including the browning dial and the Cancel, Defrost, and Bagel buttons.



Image: The removable crumb tray, shown partially extended from the base of the toaster for easy cleaning.

SETUP

1. **Unpacking:** Carefully remove the toaster and all packaging materials. Retain packaging for future storage or transport if needed.
2. **Placement:** Place the toaster on a stable, flat, heat-resistant surface, away from flammable materials such as curtains or walls. Ensure adequate ventilation around the appliance.
3. **First Use:** Before toasting food for the first time, operate the toaster without bread on the highest setting (6) for a few minutes. This will burn off any manufacturing residues and eliminate initial odors. A slight odor or smoke is normal during this process. Ensure the area is well-ventilated.
4. **Power Connection:** Plug the power cord into a standard 850W US electrical outlet.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Basic Toasting

1. Insert one or two slices of bread into the toasting slots.

2. Select your desired browning level using the browning control knob. Settings range from 1 (lightest) to 6 (darkest).
3. Press the lifting lever down until it locks into place. The power indicator light will illuminate.
4. When the toasting cycle is complete, the toast will automatically pop up, and the indicator light will turn off.

Defrost Function

This function is ideal for toasting frozen bread.

1. Place frozen bread into the toasting slots.
2. Select your desired browning level.
3. Press the lifting lever down.
4. Press the **Defrost** button (indicated by a snowflake icon). The button will illuminate.
5. The toaster will automatically adjust the toasting time to account for defrosting.

Bagel Function

This function toasts the cut side of bagels while gently warming the outer side.

1. Insert the bagel halves into the toasting slots with the cut side facing inwards.
2. Select your desired browning level.
3. Press the lifting lever down.
4. Press the **Bagel** button (indicated by a bagel icon). The button will illuminate.
5. The toaster will toast the bagel accordingly.

Cancel Function

To stop the toasting cycle at any time, press the **Cancel** button (indicated by a triangle icon). The toast will immediately pop up.

MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

Regular cleaning ensures optimal performance and extends the life of your toaster.

1. **Always unplug the toaster** from the power outlet and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
2. **Crumb Tray:** Pull out the crumb tray located at the bottom of the toaster. Discard crumbs. Wipe the tray with a damp cloth and dry thoroughly before reinserting. Clean the crumb tray regularly to prevent crumb buildup, which can be a fire hazard.
3. **Exterior:** Wipe the exterior of the toaster with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads, as they may scratch the surface.
4. **Interior:** Never insert any objects into the toasting slots to clean them. If food becomes lodged, unplug the toaster and carefully invert it to shake out the food.
5. **Storage:** When not in use, store the toaster in a clean, dry place.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
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Toaster does not turn on.	Not plugged in; power outlet not working; lifting lever not fully depressed.	Ensure the toaster is securely plugged into a working outlet. Press the lifting lever down until it locks.
Toast is too light or too dark.	Browning control setting is incorrect.	Adjust the browning control knob to a higher setting for darker toast or a lower setting for lighter toast.
Smoke coming from toaster.	Crumbs accumulated in the bottom; food lodged in slots; first use residue.	Immediately unplug the toaster. Clean the crumb tray. If food is lodged, carefully remove it after the toaster has cooled. Smoke on first use is normal and should dissipate.
Toast does not pop up.	Mechanism jammed; power interruption.	Unplug the toaster. Allow to cool. Gently try to free the toast. If the issue persists, contact customer support.

SPECIFICATIONS

- Model:** MDL08R/USA
- Brand:** Alessi
- Material:** Thermoplastic Resin
- Color:** Red
- Power/Wattage:** 850 watts
- Number of Slices:** 2
- Product Dimensions:** 19 x 19 x 34.01 cm (Height x Width x Length)
- Item Weight:** 907 g
- Special Features:** Defrost Mode, Bagel Mode, Cancel Function
- Plug Type:** US Plug

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Alessi products are manufactured to the highest quality standards. For information regarding warranty coverage, service, or technical support, please refer to the warranty card included with your purchase or visit the official Alessi website. Please have your model number (MDL08R/USA) and purchase date available when contacting support. For further assistance, you may contact Alessi customer service through their official channels. Keep your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

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