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IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and/or injury to persons, including the following:

- Read all instructions before using the appliance.
- 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.
- To disconnect, turn any control to "off," then remove plug from wall outlet.
- Do not use appliance for other than intended use.
- Oversized 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 toaster oven is covered or touching flammable material, including curtains, drapes, walls, and the like, when in operation.
- Do not place any materials other than manufacturer's recommended accessories in this oven when not in use.
- Do not place any of the following materials in the oven: paper, cardboard, plastic, and the like.
- Do not cover crumb tray or any part of the oven with metal foil. This will cause overheating of the oven.
- Always unplug the unit when not in use.

- Do not clean with metal scouring pads. Pieces can break off the pad and touch electrical parts, creating a risk of electric shock.
- Do not store any materials, other than manufacturer's recommended accessories, in this oven when not in use.

PRODUCT COMPONENTS

The CRUX Artisan Series Toaster Oven with Air Fry Technology includes several components designed for versatile cooking.



Image: CRUX Artisan Series 6-Slice Toaster Oven with Air Fry Technology. This image displays the complete toaster oven unit, showcasing its brushed chrome finish and digital control panel. The main door is visible, along with the internal rack positions.

- **Main Unit:** The primary toaster oven appliance with digital controls.
- **Wire Grill Rack:** Used for toasting, baking, and broiling.
- **Bake Pan:** Designed for baking and roasting.
- **Air Frying Mesh Basket:** Specifically for air frying functions, allowing hot air to circulate around food.

- **Removable Crumb Tray:** Collects crumbs and drips for easy cleaning.

SETUP INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Unpacking:** Carefully remove the toaster oven and all accessories from the packaging. Remove any packing materials, stickers, or protective films.
2. **Placement:** Place the appliance on a stable, level, heat-resistant surface. Ensure there is at least 4 inches (10 cm) of clearance on all sides of the oven for proper ventilation. Do not place it directly against a wall or under cabinets.
3. **First Use Cleaning:** Before first use, wipe down the interior and exterior of the oven with a damp cloth. Wash the wire grill, bake pan, air frying mesh basket, and crumb tray in warm, soapy water. Rinse and dry thoroughly.
4. **Initial Burn-Off:** It is recommended to run the oven empty for approximately 15 minutes on the 'Bake' setting at 400°F (200°C) to burn off any manufacturing residues. A slight odor or smoke may be present during this process; ensure the area is well-ventilated.
5. **Power Connection:** Plug the power cord into a standard 120V AC electrical outlet.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Control Panel Overview

The digital control panel allows for precise selection of cooking functions, temperature, and time.

- **Function Knob:** Rotate to select desired cooking function (e.g., Bake, Air Fry, Broil, Toast, Dehydrate).
- **Temperature/Time Knob:** Rotate to adjust temperature or cooking time. Press to toggle between temperature and time adjustment.
- **Start/Stop Button:** Press to begin or end a cooking cycle.
- **Digital Display:** Shows selected function, temperature, and remaining cooking time.

Cooking Functions

This appliance features 10 digital cooking functions:

1. **Bake:** Ideal for cakes, cookies, and casseroles. Place food on the bake pan on the middle rack.
2. **Convection Bake:** Uses a fan to circulate hot air for faster, more even baking. Suitable for most baked goods.
3. **Broil:** For browning the top of food, such as cheese on gratins or searing meats. Use the wire grill rack on the top position.
4. **Air Fry:** For crisping foods with little to no oil. Use the air frying mesh basket on the middle rack.
5. **Toast:** For bread, bagels, and frozen waffles. Use the wire grill rack. Adjust darkness level as desired.
6. **Warm:** Keeps cooked food warm without further cooking.
7. **Reheat:** Gently reheats leftovers.
8. **Dehydrate:** For drying fruits, vegetables, and making jerky. Use the air frying mesh basket or wire grill rack.
9. **Pizza:** Optimized setting for cooking pizzas.
10. **Roast:** For cooking meats and vegetables.

General Operation Steps

1. Place food in the appropriate accessory (bake pan, wire grill, or air frying basket) and insert into the desired rack position.

2. Close the oven door.
3. Rotate the **Function Knob** to select the desired cooking mode.
4. Rotate the **Temperature/Time Knob** to set the temperature. Press the knob to switch to time adjustment, then rotate to set the cooking time.
5. Press the **Start/Stop Button** to begin cooking. The oven will preheat if necessary, and the timer will begin counting down.
6. When the cooking cycle is complete, the oven will beep, and the heating elements will turn off.
7. Carefully remove food using oven mitts.

MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

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

1. **Always unplug the oven** and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
2. **Crumb Tray:** Slide out the removable crumb tray from the bottom of the oven. Discard crumbs and wash the tray in warm, soapy water. Rinse and dry thoroughly before replacing.
3. **Accessories (Wire Grill, Bake Pan, Air Frying Basket):** Wash these accessories in warm, soapy water. For stubborn food residue, soak them before scrubbing. Rinse and dry completely. These are generally not dishwasher safe unless specified.
4. **Interior:** Wipe the interior walls with a damp cloth and mild detergent. Avoid abrasive cleaners or metal scouring pads, as they can damage the non-stick coating or heating elements. For baked-on food, a paste of baking soda and water can be applied, left for a few minutes, then wiped clean.
5. **Exterior:** Wipe the exterior surfaces with a damp cloth. Dry thoroughly. Do not use harsh chemicals or abrasive cleaners.
6. **Door:** Clean the glass door with a glass cleaner or a damp cloth.
7. **Never immerse the main unit, cord, or plug in water or any other liquid.**

TROUBLESHOOTING

Review the following common issues and solutions before contacting customer support.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Appliance does not turn on.	Not plugged in; power outlet malfunction; unit not properly reset.	Ensure the power cord is securely plugged into a working outlet. Check your circuit breaker. Try unplugging and re-plugging the unit.
Food is not cooking evenly.	Incorrect temperature/time setting; overcrowding; improper rack position.	Verify temperature and time settings. Avoid overcrowding the oven. Refer to the recipe for recommended rack positions. Rotate food halfway through cooking.
Smoke or burning smell during operation.	Food residue on heating elements or interior; initial burn-off.	A small amount of smoke during first use is normal. If persistent, unplug the oven, allow to cool, and clean the interior and heating elements thoroughly. Ensure crumb tray is clean.
Digital display is not working.	Power issue; internal malfunction.	Check power connection. If the issue persists after checking power, contact customer support.

SPECIFICATIONS

Model Number: 14934

Brand: Crux

Capacity: Accommodates 6 slices of bread or a 12-inch pizza

Power: 1800 Watts

Control Type: Digital with Knob

Special Features: Air Fry Technology, 10 Digital Cooking Functions

Color: Brushed Chrome

Included Components: Wire Grill, Bake Pan, Air Frying Mesh Basket, Removable Crumb Tray

Item Weight: 21.6 pounds

Package Dimensions: 23.7 x 18.7 x 18.7 inches

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

This product is covered by a limited manufacturer's warranty. For specific warranty details, registration, or technical support, please refer to the warranty card included with your purchase or visit the official Crux website. For customer service inquiries, please have your model number (14934) and purchase date available.

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