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Instruction Manual

## IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

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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 thoroughly before operating the appliance.
- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- To protect against electrical shock, do not immerse cord, plugs, or the 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 the cord hang over the edge of a 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 the appliance for other than intended use.

## PRODUCT OVERVIEW

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The Bear DFB-B20A1 is a compact multi-function rice cooker designed for efficient cooking of rice, steaming, and other dishes. It features a 3.5-cup uncooked rice capacity, suitable for 2-4 people.



Image: The Bear DFB-B20A1 Multi-function Rice Cooker, showing its compact design and control panel.

## Components:

- **Main Unit:** The outer housing containing the heating element and control panel.
- **Inner Pot:** Non-stick cooking pot for rice and other ingredients.
- **Steamer Basket:** For steaming vegetables, fish, or other foods above the cooking rice.
- **Measuring Cup:** Standard rice measuring cup (typically 180ml).
- **Rice Paddle:** Non-scratch utensil for serving rice.
- **Power Cord:** Detachable power supply cord.

## SETUP

### Before First Use:

1. Unpack the rice cooker and all its components. Remove any packaging materials.
2. Wash the inner pot, steamer basket, measuring cup, and rice paddle thoroughly with warm, soapy water. Rinse well and dry completely.

3. Wipe the exterior of the main unit with a damp cloth. Do not immerse the main unit in water.
4. Ensure the appliance is placed on a stable, level, heat-resistant surface, away from walls or cabinets to allow for proper ventilation.

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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### Cooking Rice:

1. **Measure Rice:** Use the provided measuring cup to measure the desired amount of rice. Do not exceed the maximum capacity of 3.5 cups (uncooked).
2. **Wash Rice:** Rinse the rice in a separate bowl under cold running water until the water runs clear. This removes excess starch.
3. **Add Rice and Water:** Place the washed rice into the inner pot. Add water according to the cooking guide below or the markings inside the inner pot.
4. **Place Inner Pot:** Ensure the exterior of the inner pot is dry, then place it into the main unit. Rotate it slightly to ensure good contact with the heating plate.
5. **Close Lid:** Close the lid securely.
6. **Plug In:** Connect the power cord to the rice cooker and then to a suitable electrical outlet (220V AC).
7. **Select Function:** Choose the appropriate cooking function (e.g., "Rice," "White Rice," "Brown Rice") from the control panel.
8. **Start Cooking:** Press the "Start" button. The indicator light will illuminate, signifying that cooking has begun.
9. **Keep Warm:** Once cooking is complete, the cooker will automatically switch to "Keep Warm" mode. The "Keep Warm" indicator light will illuminate.
10. **Serve:** Open the lid carefully, avoiding steam. Fluff the rice with the rice paddle and serve. Unplug the cooker when finished.

### Steaming Food:

1. **Add Water:** Pour approximately 1-2 cups of water into the inner pot. Ensure the water level is below the steamer basket.
2. **Prepare Food:** Place food (e.g., vegetables, fish) into the steamer basket.
3. **Assemble:** Place the inner pot with water into the main unit, then place the steamer basket on top of the inner pot.
4. **Close Lid:** Close the lid securely.
5. **Plug In & Select Function:** Plug in the cooker and select a steaming function if available, or use a general cooking function and monitor.
6. **Monitor & Serve:** Steam until food is cooked to desired tenderness. Carefully remove the steamer basket using oven mitts.

### Other Functions (Porridge, Soup):

The Bear DFB-B20A1 offers multiple cooking functions. For porridge or soup, add ingredients and water to the inner pot according to your recipe. Select the corresponding function on the control panel and press start. The cooker will automatically adjust cooking time and temperature. Always ensure liquids do not exceed the maximum fill line to prevent overflow.

## COOKING GUIDE

The following table provides general guidelines for cooking different types of rice. Adjust water ratios and cooking times based on personal preference and rice variety.

Rice Type	Rice (Measuring Cups)	Water (Measuring Cups)	Approx. Cooking Time
White Rice (e.g., Jasmine, Basmati)	1 cup	1.5 - 2 cups	25-35 minutes
White Rice (e.g., Jasmine, Basmati)	2 cups	3 - 4 cups	30-40 minutes
Brown Rice	1 cup	2 - 2.5 cups	45-55 minutes
Brown Rice	2 cups	4 - 5 cups	50-60 minutes
Porridge	1 cup	6 - 8 cups	40-60 minutes

**Note:** The water lines inside the inner pot are for white rice. For brown rice or other grains, refer to specific recipes or adjust water levels as needed. Cooking times are approximate and may vary.

## MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

Regular cleaning ensures optimal performance and extends the lifespan of your rice cooker.

- Always Unplug:** Before cleaning, always unplug the power cord from the outlet and allow the appliance to cool completely.
- Inner Pot and Steamer Basket:** Wash the inner pot and steamer basket with warm, soapy water using a soft sponge. The non-stick coating should not be scrubbed with abrasive cleaners or metal scouring pads. Rinse thoroughly and dry. These parts are generally dishwasher safe, but hand washing is recommended to preserve the non-stick coating.
- Lid:** The inner lid may be removable for cleaning. If so, detach it and wash with warm, soapy water. For non-removable lids, wipe the underside with a damp cloth. Ensure all food residue is removed.
- Main Unit Exterior:** Wipe the exterior of the main unit with a damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or immerse the main unit in water.
- Condensation Collector (if applicable):** If your model has a condensation collector, remove and empty it after each use, then wash and dry.
- Storage:** Store the rice cooker in a dry place, away from direct sunlight.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

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

- **Rice is too hard/dry:**
  - Ensure correct rice-to-water ratio. Add slightly more water next time.
  - Make sure the lid is properly sealed during cooking.
  - Do not open the lid during cooking, as this releases steam and heat.

- **Rice is too soft/mushy:**
  - Ensure correct rice-to-water ratio. Reduce water slightly next time.
  - Rinse rice thoroughly before cooking to remove excess starch.
- **Cooker does not turn on:**
  - Check if the power cord is securely plugged into both the cooker and the wall outlet.
  - Verify that the outlet is functional by plugging in another appliance.
- **Rice sticks to the bottom of the pot:**
  - Ensure the inner pot's non-stick coating is not damaged.
  - Add a small amount of cooking oil to the water before cooking.
  - Do not leave rice on "Keep Warm" for excessively long periods.

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

## SPECIFICATIONS

<b>Brand</b>	Bear
<b>Model Number</b>	DFB-B20A1
<b>Capacity</b>	3.5 cups (uncooked rice) / 2 Liters
<b>Power</b>	350 Watts
<b>Voltage</b>	220 Volts (AC)
<b>Material</b>	Aluminum, Polypropylene (PP)
<b>Dimensions (L x W x H)</b>	27 x 23.3 x 19.7 cm
<b>Weight</b>	2.4 Kilograms
<b>Automatic Shut-off</b>	Yes
<b>Included Components</b>	Instruction Manual, Inner Pot, Steamer Basket, Measuring Cup, Rice Paddle

## WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Information regarding specific warranty terms and customer support contact details is not available in the provided product data. Please refer to the product packaging or the manufacturer's official website for warranty registration and support inquiries.

For general inquiries or assistance, you may also contact the retailer where the product was purchased.

