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Model: GCST11X1WSS

1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The GE 1.1 Cu. Ft. Capacity Countertop Microwave Oven is designed for efficient and convenient cooking in compact spaces. This 950-watt microwave features a rotating interior turntable for even cooking and intuitive one-touch controls. It includes automatic and manual defrost options, making it suitable for various cooking needs.



GE APPLIANCES

Ships with New Mandatory Two-Step Child Lock Feature **On.**

Due to changes in the applicable third-party safety standard, all manufacturers are required to add this two-step child lock safety feature to all countertop microwaves sold in the USA or Canada to comply with the standard.

Consumers who choose to disable this two-step lock safety feature may easily do so by following the provided instructions.



Image: Front view of the GE Compact Countertop Microwave Oven.

2. SAFETY INFORMATION

2.1 Two-Step Child Lock Feature

This microwave is equipped with a mandatory two-step child lock feature to prevent unintended use. This feature is active by default to comply with safety standards.



Image: Information regarding the mandatory two-step child lock feature.

Child Lock Operation:

1. The door will automatically lock every time a cooking cycle starts.
2. Press either **Start/Pause** or **Cancel/Off**.
3. Press the **Front button (Door Latch Release)** or pull the handle depending on your model.

Note: Door will remain unlocked until the next cooking cycle.

How to Disable Child Lock:

For households where the child lock is not needed, it can be deactivated by following these steps:

1. Press and hold the "7" key for 3-5 seconds until you hear a beep. Release.
2. Press the "9" key. Release.
3. Press the "0" key. Release.

There will be two short beeps and the display will flash "UnLo" to confirm the default condition has been updated successfully. To re-enable the child resistant oven door, repeat steps 1-3 above. The display will display "Loc" to confirm the feature has been re-enabled.



Image: Visual instructions for operating and disabling the child lock.

3. SETUP

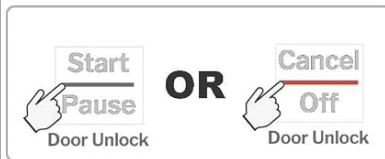
The GE Compact Countertop Microwave Oven is designed for easy setup. It is a freestanding unit that fits conveniently on a countertop or open shelf. Ensure adequate ventilation space around the unit as specified in the full product manual. The microwave comes with a 39-inch power cord for flexible placement.

3.1 Unpacking and Placement

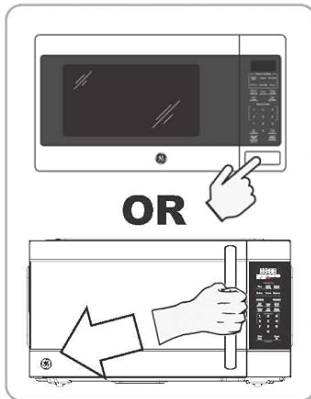
1. Remove all packaging materials and accessories.
2. Place the microwave on a flat, stable surface.
3. Ensure there is sufficient clearance around the microwave for proper ventilation (check the full manual for specific dimensions).
4. Plug the power cord into a grounded electrical outlet.

This microwave is equipped with a two-step Child Resistant Door. The requirement of child-resistant oven door latches has been implemented by all manufacturers of countertop microwave ovens to reduce the likelihood of young children handling hot food and beverage items and to further reduce the potential risk of injury. All persons should use caution when removing hot items from microwave ovens.

**PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS BELOW CAREFULLY.
THE MICROWAVE OVEN IS SHIPPED WITH THE DOOR LOCKED.**



Step 1



Step 2

**CHILD RESISTANT DOOR OPERATION
TO OPEN THE DOOR**

The door will automatically lock **every time** a cooking cycle starts

1. Press either **Start/Pause** or **Cancel/Off**

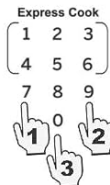
2. Press the **Front button (Door Latch Release)** or pull the handle depending on your model.

Note: Door will remain unlocked until next cooking cycle

HOW TO DISABLE CHILD LOCK

In some cases, it may be desirable to disable this feature. For example, households that do not have young children or households where users may have physical limitations that make it difficult to operate the child resistant door may want to disable the two-step latch. This feature can be disabled by following these steps.

1. Press and hold the "7" key for 3-5 seconds or until you hear a beep. Release.
2. Press the "9" key. Release.
3. Press the "0" key. Release.



There will be two short beeps and the display will flash "**UnLo**" to confirm the default condition has been updated successfully. To re-enable the child resistant oven door, repeat steps 1-3 above. The display will display "**Loc**" to confirm the feature has been re-enabled.



Image: Dimensions of the microwave for proper placement.

4. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The microwave features an intuitive control panel with convenience cooking controls for various food items.

Room for All Your Favorites.



Perfect balance of
size and convenience.

Image: Detailed view of the microwave's control panel.

4.1 Basic Operation

1. Place food in a microwave-safe container on the glass turntable.
2. Close the microwave door securely.
3. Enter desired cooking time using the number pad.
4. Press **Start/+30 Sec** to begin cooking.

4.2 Express Cook

For quick cooking, press any number key from 1 to 6 for instant cooking times (e.g., press '1' for 1 minute, '2' for 2 minutes, etc.).

4.3 Auto Cook Settings

The microwave includes six auto cook settings for common food items:

- **Popcorn:** For pre-packaged microwave popcorn (1.75 - 3.5 oz). Press until bag size appears.
- **Potato:** For 1-3 potatoes (6-8 oz/potato). Press until servings appear.

- **Frozen Vegetable:** For 4.0 - 16.0 oz. Press until servings appear.
- **Beverage:** For 1-3 cups (4 oz/cup). Press until cups appear.
- **Pizza:** For 1-3 pieces. Press until servings appear.
- **Dinner Plate:** For 9.0 - 18.0 oz. Press until servings appear.



Simple Controls.

Defrost by time or weight

10 Power Levels

Convenience controls for **popular foods.**

Intuitive Control Panel

Door unlock pads for **Child Lock** use.

Image: Auto Cook settings for various food types.

4.4 Defrost Options

The microwave offers both weight and time defrost functions:

- **Weight Defrost:** Enter the weight of the food, and the oven automatically sets the optimal defrosting time and power level.
- **Time Defrost:** Set your desired time for defrosting.

Microwave Safe Glass Tray

Turntable rotates to evenly cook food



Image: Example of using the defrost function for frozen food.

4.5 Turntable Operation

The interior glass turntable rotates throughout cooking cycles to ensure even heating of food.

Auto Cook.

Select your dish, cook with microwave or hot air for perfect results every time.



Reheat dinner plate



Potato



Popcorn



Vegetables



Beverage



Pizza

Image: The microwave's safe glass turntable for even cooking.

4.6 Instructional Videos

Video: An overview of the GE Stainless Steel 950 Watts Microwave, highlighting its design and basic functions.

Video: Demonstrating two useful functions of the microwave, including quick start and defrost settings.

Video: A review highlighting several favorite features of the microwave, such as ease of use and preset options.

5. MAINTENANCE

5.1 Cleaning the Interior

To clean the interior of the microwave, wipe with a damp cloth and mild detergent. The glass turntable can be removed for easier cleaning, either by wiping it down or washing it in the sink.

5.2 Cleaning the Exterior

The stainless steel exterior can be cleaned with a soft, damp cloth. For stubborn marks, a stainless steel cleaner or glass

cleaner can be used. Avoid abrasive cleaners that may scratch the surface.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter any issues with your GE Compact Countertop Microwave Oven, please refer to the following common troubleshooting tips:

- **Microwave not operating:** Ensure the power cord is securely plugged into a grounded outlet. Check your household fuse or circuit breaker. Make sure the door is closed completely.
- **Food not heating evenly:** Ensure the turntable is properly seated and rotating. Stir or rotate food halfway through cooking.
- **Display not working or dim:** Check power supply. If the child lock is active, the display might show 'Loc'.
- **Unusual noise during operation:** This can sometimes be normal, but if it's excessive or new, ensure the turntable and roller ring are correctly positioned and free of obstructions.

For more detailed troubleshooting or persistent issues, consult the complete user manual or contact GE customer support.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Specification
Brand Name	GE
Model Info	GCST11X1WSS
Item Weight	30 pounds
Product Dimensions	15.62 x 20.83 x 12 inches
Energy Use	950 Watts
Capacity	1.1 Cubic Feet
Installation Type	Countertop
Special Features	1.1 Cu. Ft. Capacity, Child Safety Lock, Convenience Cooking Controls, Defrost, Instant On Controls
Color	Stainless Steel
Voltage	120 Volts
Material Type	Stainless Steel
Included Components	Roller Ring, Turntable Tray

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information, product registration, or to contact customer support, please visit the official GE Appliances website or refer to the warranty card included with your purchase. Keep your proof of purchase for any warranty claims. Online Support: [GEAppliances.com](https://www.geappliances.com)

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Model number, symptoms, what you tried, or the section of the manual you are using.

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