BAKON BK946

BAKON BK946 650W Solder Hot Plate Electric Instruction Manual

Model: BK946

1. Introduction

This manual provides detailed instructions for the safe and effective operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your BAKON BK946 650W Solder Hot Plate Electric. Please read this manual thoroughly before using the device to ensure proper function and to prevent damage or injury.
The BAKON BK946 is designed for high-efficiency heating in various applications, including electronic component repair, preheating, soldering, and laboratory use. It features precise temperature control and robust safety features.

2. Safety Instructions

Always adhere to the following safety guidelines to prevent electric shock, fire, or personal injury:

- **Power Supply:** Ensure the hot plate is connected to an AC110V power supply. Do not use with incompatible voltage.
- **Heat Hazard:** The heating plate reaches high temperatures (up to 350°C / 662°F). Avoid direct contact with the heating surface during operation and cool-down. Use appropriate heat-resistant gloves if handling is necessary.
- **Protective Edge:** The device is equipped with a protective edge design to minimize accidental contact. However, exercise caution.
- **Ventilation:** Ensure adequate ventilation around the unit. Do not block the heat dissipation vents on the sides.
- **Flammable Materials:** Keep flammable liquids, gases, and materials away from the hot plate.
- **Stable Surface:** Place the hot plate on a stable, heat-resistant, and level surface.
- **Unattended Operation:** Do not leave the hot plate unattended while it is operating or cooling down.
- **Children and Pets:** Keep the device out of reach of children and pets.
- **Maintenance:** Disconnect power before cleaning or performing any maintenance.
- **Damage:** Do not operate the device if the power cord, plug, or unit itself is damaged. Contact customer support for repairs.

WARNING: BEWARE OF BURNS. The heating surface can cause severe burns.

3. Product Features

The BAKON BK946 Solder Hot Plate Electric offers a range of advanced features for precise and efficient heating:

- **High-Efficiency Heating:** 650W rated power with a high-quality aluminum alloy heating plate and multi-tube technology for efficient, fast, and uniform heat transfer.
- **Wide Temperature Range:** Adjustable from 50°C to 350°C (122°F to 662°F).
- **Clear LCD Screen Display:** Provides real-time temperature readings and settings.
- **Temperature Compensation:** Allows for calibration to ensure accurate temperature readings.
- **°C/°F Temperature Conversion:** Easily switch between Celsius and Fahrenheit display units.
- **Timer Hibernation:** Configurable automatic hibernation to save energy and enhance safety.
- **Password Protection:** Secure settings to prevent unauthorized changes.
- **Safety Design:** Protective edge to prevent accidental contact and multi-angle heat dissipation for better cooling and prolonged service life.
- **Anti-overload Fuse:** Integrated fuse for electrical safety.
- **Anti-slip Design:** Stable operation with anti-slip feet at the bottom.



Figure 3.1: Overview of the BAKON BK946 Solder Hot Plate Electric, showing its compact design and control panel.

4. Setup

1. **Unpacking:** Carefully remove the hot plate from its packaging. Inspect for any signs of damage during transit.
2. **Placement:** Place the unit on a flat, stable, and heat-resistant workbench or surface. Ensure there is sufficient space around the unit for proper ventilation.
3. **Power Connection:** Connect the power cord to the hot plate's power inlet and then plug it into a standard AC110V power outlet.
4. **Initial Power On:** Flip the power switch to the 'ON' position. The LCD screen will illuminate, and the unit will begin its self-check and initial heating process.

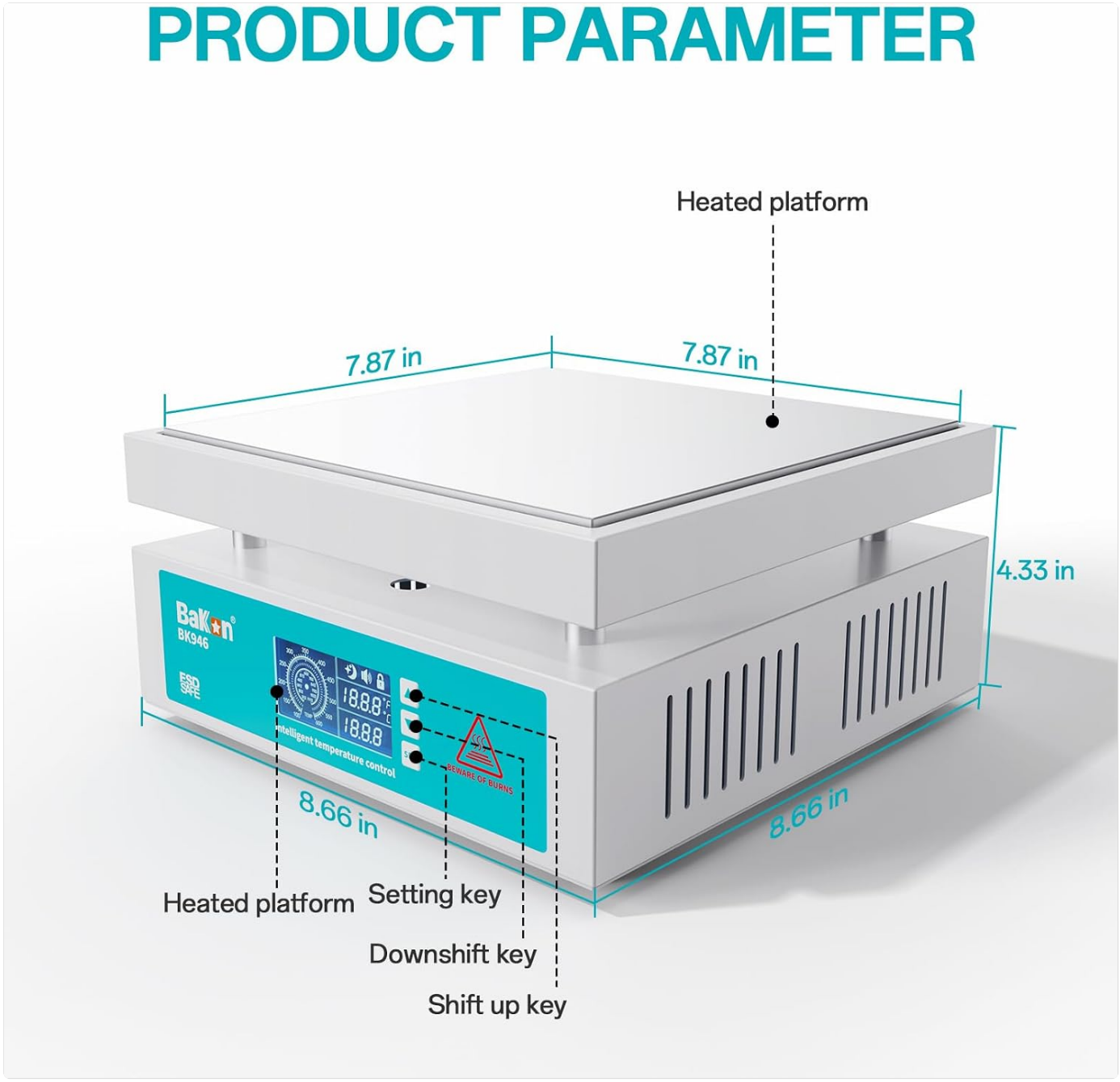


Figure 4.1: Rear view of the BAKON BK946, highlighting the power switch and power inlet for connection.

5. Operating Instructions

5.1 Basic Operation

1. **Power On:** Turn on the main power switch located at the rear of the unit. The hot plate will automatically begin heating to its last set temperature or default.
2. **Setting Temperature:** Use the UP (▲) and DOWN (▼) arrow buttons on the control panel to adjust the desired

temperature. The LCD screen will display the set temperature and the current temperature.

3. **Confirming Temperature:** Press the 'SET' button to confirm the temperature setting. The unit will then heat or cool to reach the new target temperature.
4. **Monitoring Temperature:** The LCD screen continuously displays the current temperature of the heating plate.
5. **Power Off:** When finished, turn off the main power switch. Allow the unit to cool down completely before handling or storing.

5.2 Advanced Settings

To access advanced settings, press and hold the 'SET' button for a few seconds until the menu appears on the LCD screen. Use the UP/DOWN arrows to navigate and 'SET' to select.

- **Temperature Compensation:** Adjust this setting to calibrate the temperature reading if it deviates from an external thermometer.
- **°C/°F Conversion:** Switch between Celsius and Fahrenheit display units.
- **Set Hibernation:** Configure the timer for automatic hibernation. The factory default is 20 minutes. To resume heating from hibernation, press any key.
- **Password Protection:** Set or change a password to lock the settings.
- **Save Settings:** Ensure to save any changes made in the advanced settings menu.



Figure 5.1: The LCD display of the BAKON BK946, illustrating icons for temperature compensation, Celsius/Fahrenheit conversion, timed sleep, and password protection features.

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Video 5.1: Demonstrates the basic operation and setting adjustments of the BAKON BK946 hot plate, including temperature control and advanced settings like hibernation and password protection.

6. Maintenance

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and optimal performance of your BAKON BK946 hot plate:

- **Cleaning:** Ensure the unit is completely cool and unplugged before cleaning. Wipe the heating surface and exterior with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or solvents.
- **Ventilation Grilles:** Periodically check and clean the heat dissipation grilles to prevent dust buildup, which can impede airflow and affect performance.
- **Power Cord:** Inspect the power cord for any signs of damage (fraying, cuts). If damaged, replace it immediately with an approved cord.

- **Storage:** Store the hot plate in a dry, dust-free environment when not in use.



Figure 6.1: Close-up view of the heat sink design on the side of the BAKON BK946, emphasizing the importance of keeping these vents clear for proper heat dissipation.

7. Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues with your BAKON BK946, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Unit does not power on.	No power supply; Power cord loose; Fuse blown.	Check power outlet and connection. Ensure power switch is ON. Check and replace fuse if necessary.
Temperature not reaching set value or unstable.	Incorrect temperature setting; Poor ventilation; Temperature compensation needed.	Verify set temperature. Ensure vents are clear. Perform temperature compensation as per section 5.2.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
LCD display is blank or flickering.	Power issue; Internal fault.	Check power connection. If problem persists, contact customer support.
Unit enters hibernation unexpectedly.	Hibernation timer activated.	Press any key to resume heating. Adjust hibernation timer setting if desired (Section 5.2).

If the problem persists after attempting these solutions, please contact BAKON customer service for further assistance.

8. Specifications

Parameter	Value
Model Number	BK946
Rated Power	650W
Operating Voltage	AC110V
Temperature Range	50°C - 350°C (122°F - 662°F)
Temperature Stability	±2°C
Display Type	LCD
Heating Area	Approx. 7.87 x 7.87 inches (200mm x 200mm)
Item Weight	6.82 pounds
Package Dimensions	12.01 x 10.67 x 6.18 inches
Manufacturer	BAKON

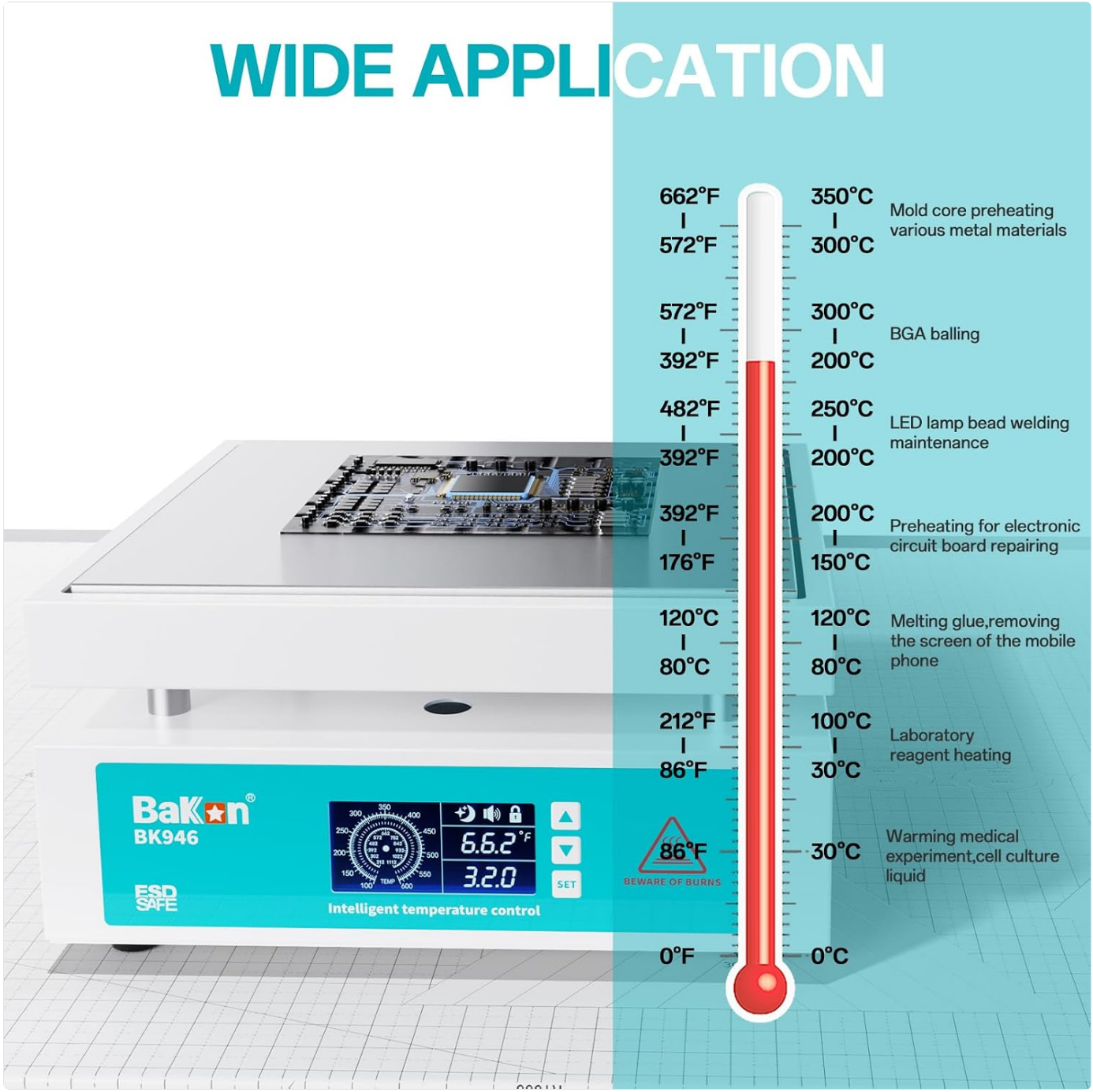


Figure 8.1: Dimensional diagram of the BAKON BK946 hot plate, indicating the heated platform size and overall unit dimensions.

9. Warranty and Support

BAKON provides comprehensive support for its products:

- **Warranty:** The BAKON BK946 comes with a 1-year after-sale warranty.
- **Technical Support:** Lifetime technical support is available for this product.
- **Contact:** If you encounter any problems or have questions, please feel free to contact BAKON customer service. You can send a message via Amazon or use the contact information provided on the official BAKON website.

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