

Russell Hobbs RCM800CE

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Model: RCM800CE

1. INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the Russell Hobbs Prestige 4-Cup Coffee Maker RCM800CE. This appliance is designed to brew espresso and create frothed milk for cappuccinos and lattes. It features an 800W motor, a 0.24L aluminium boiler, and a capacity to brew up to 4 cups of coffee. Please read this manual thoroughly before first use to ensure safe and optimal operation.

2. IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

- Always ensure the appliance is unplugged from the power outlet before cleaning, maintenance, or if left unattended.
- Do not immerse the appliance, power cord, or plug in water or any other liquid.
- This appliance is for household use only. Do not use outdoors.
- Keep the appliance and its cord out of reach of children.
- Do not operate the appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or after the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner.
- Avoid contact with hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs. Steam and hot water can cause severe burns.
- Ensure the glass carafe is placed correctly on the drip tray during operation.
- Do not overfill the water tank.
- The appliance is equipped with overheat and overpressure protection for safe operation.

3. PRODUCT COMPONENTS

Familiarize yourself with the parts of your Russell Hobbs coffee maker:

- Main Unit with Control Panel
- Water Tank Cap

- Portafilter (Filter Holder)
- Filter Basket (for ground coffee)
- Glass Carafe with Handle
- Steam Wand / Frothing Nozzle
- Drip Tray (removable)
- Measuring Spoon / Tamper



Image: Russell Hobbs Prestige 4-Cup Coffee Maker RCM800CE, showing the main unit, portafilter, glass carafe, and steam wand.

4. SETUP AND FIRST USE

4.1 Unpacking

1. Carefully remove all packaging materials and labels from the coffee maker.
2. Check that all components are present and undamaged.

4.2 Initial Cleaning

1. Wash the glass carafe, portafilter, filter basket, and drip tray in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry.
2. Wipe the exterior of the main unit with a damp cloth.

4.3 Priming the Machine (First Use)

1. Fill the water tank with fresh, cold water up to the '4-cup' mark.
2. Place the empty filter basket into the portafilter, then attach the portafilter to the machine by aligning it and turning it to the right until secure.
3. Place the empty glass carafe on the drip tray.
4. Plug the appliance into a suitable power outlet.
5. Turn the control knob to the 'Brew' position (coffee cup symbol). Allow the machine to run a full cycle, dispensing hot water into the carafe.
6. Discard the hot water. This process cleans the internal components and prepares the machine for use.



Image: Side view of the coffee maker, illustrating the portafilter attachment point and water tank cap.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 Making Espresso

1. Ensure the machine is primed and the water tank is filled with fresh, cold water.
2. Add desired amount of finely ground coffee to the filter basket using the measuring spoon. Do not overfill. Lightly tamp the coffee down.
3. Insert the filter basket into the portafilter and attach the portafilter to the machine, turning it firmly to the right until secure.
4. Place the glass carafe on the drip tray.
5. Turn the control knob to the 'Brew' position (coffee cup symbol). The machine will begin to brew espresso.
6. Once the desired amount of espresso is brewed (up to 4 cups), turn the control knob to the 'Off' position.
7. Carefully remove the portafilter and discard the used coffee grounds.

5.2 Frothing Milk for Cappuccinos and Lattes

1. Fill a small pitcher with cold milk (dairy or non-dairy) to about one-third full.
2. Ensure the water tank has sufficient water.
3. Turn the control knob to the 'Steam' position (steam symbol). Wait for the indicator light to show the machine has reached steaming temperature.
4. Position the steam wand just below the surface of the milk in the pitcher.
5. Slowly lower the pitcher, allowing the steam wand to draw air into the milk, creating foam. Move the pitcher up and down to incorporate air evenly.
6. Once the milk is frothed to your desired consistency and temperature, turn the control knob to the 'Off' position.
7. Wipe the steam wand immediately with a damp cloth to prevent milk residue from drying.
8. Combine frothed milk with your freshly brewed espresso.



Image: Front view of the coffee maker, highlighting the control knob and steam wand for frothing.

6. CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

6.1 Daily Cleaning

1. Always unplug the appliance and allow it to cool before cleaning.
2. Remove and empty the drip tray. Wash it with warm, soapy water, rinse, and dry.
3. Remove the portafilter and filter basket. Discard coffee grounds. Wash these parts with warm, soapy water, rinse, and dry.
4. Wash the glass carafe with warm, soapy water, rinse, and dry.
5. Wipe the exterior of the machine with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads.
6. Clean the steam wand immediately after each use to prevent milk residue buildup. Wipe with a damp cloth. If clogged, use a small pin to clear the nozzle hole.

6.2 Descaling

Mineral deposits from water can build up in your coffee maker over time, affecting performance. Descale your machine regularly (e.g., every 2-3 months, or more often if you have hard water).

1. Prepare a descaling solution according to the manufacturer's instructions (e.g., white vinegar diluted with water, or a commercial descaling agent).
2. Fill the water tank with the descaling solution.
3. Place the empty carafe on the drip tray.
4. Run the machine through a brewing cycle without coffee until half of the solution has passed through.
5. Turn off the machine and let it sit for 15-20 minutes.
6. Turn the machine back on and run the remaining solution through.
7. After descaling, run at least two full cycles with fresh, clean water to rinse out any residual descaling solution.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Coffee not brewing / No water flow	Water tank empty; Machine not primed; Clogged filter; Scale buildup.	Fill water tank; Prime the machine; Clean filter; Descale the machine.
Weak coffee	Insufficient coffee grounds; Coarsely ground coffee; Too much water.	Increase coffee amount; Use finer grind; Use correct water level.
No steam / Low steam pressure	Steam nozzle clogged; Insufficient water; Machine not at steaming temperature.	Clean steam nozzle; Fill water tank; Wait for indicator light.
Water leaking from machine	Portafilter not securely attached; Drip tray full or incorrectly placed.	Ensure portafilter is locked in place; Empty and correctly position drip tray.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

- **Model:** RCM800CE
- **Power:** 800W
- **Capacity:** 4 Cups (0.24L water tank)
- **Boiler Material:** Aluminium
- **Coffee Input Type:** Ground Coffee

- **Filter Type:** Reusable
- **Operation Mode:** Fully Automatic
- **Special Features:** Frothing Function, Overheat & Overpressure Protection, Auto Shut-Off
- **Dimensions (D x W x H):** 5D x 5W x 5H Centimeters
- **Item Weight:** 1 Kilogram
- **Included Components:** Coffee Maker, Glass Carafe, Measuring Spoon

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

The Russell Hobbs Prestige 4-Cup Coffee Maker RCM800CE comes with a **2-Year Warranty** from the date of purchase. This warranty covers manufacturing defects under normal household use.

For warranty claims, technical support, or any product-related inquiries, please refer to the contact information provided with your purchase documentation or visit the official Russell Hobbs website. Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty validation.