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## Teka DFS 76850

# Teka DFS 76850 Freestanding Dishwasher Instruction Manual

## INTRODUCTION

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This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation, installation, and maintenance of your new Teka DFS 76850 freestanding dishwasher. Please read these instructions carefully before using the appliance and keep them for future reference. Proper use and maintenance will ensure optimal performance and extend the lifespan of your dishwasher.



Image: Front view of the Teka DFS 76850 Freestanding Dishwasher. This appliance features a sleek design, suitable for modern kitchens.

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

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Always follow basic safety precautions when using electrical appliances to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and injury. This appliance is intended for household use only.

- **Electrical Safety:** Ensure the dishwasher is connected to a properly grounded outlet. Do not use extension

cords. Disconnect power before any maintenance or cleaning.

- **Water Safety:** Ensure water connections are secure to prevent leaks. Turn off the water supply if the dishwasher will not be used for an extended period.
- **Child Safety:** Keep children away from the dishwasher, especially when it is operating. Detergents are corrosive; keep them out of reach of children.
- **Loading:** Load sharp items (knives, forks) with handles up to prevent injury. Do not overload the dishwasher.
- **Flammable Materials:** Do not wash items that have been contaminated with gasoline, paint, or other flammable liquids.

## SETUP AND INSTALLATION

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### 1. Unpacking

Carefully remove all packaging materials. Inspect the dishwasher for any damage incurred during transit. Report any damage to your retailer immediately. Keep packaging materials away from children.

### 2. Placement

The Teka DFS 76850 is a freestanding model. Place the dishwasher on a firm, level floor. Ensure there is adequate space around the appliance for ventilation and access to connections. Adjust the leveling feet to ensure stability and proper door alignment.

### 3. Water Connection

Connect the water inlet hose to a cold water supply tap with a 3/4-inch thread. Ensure the connection is tight to prevent leaks. The water pressure should be between 0.04 MPa and 1 MPa.

### 4. Drainage Connection

Connect the drain hose to a suitable drain pipe or sink trap. Ensure the drain hose is not kinked or obstructed. The drain hose should be positioned at a height between 40 cm and 100 cm from the floor.

### 5. Electrical Connection

Plug the dishwasher into a dedicated, grounded 120V, 60Hz electrical outlet. Do not use adapter plugs or extension cords. Ensure the electrical supply meets the specifications listed on the appliance's rating plate.

### 6. First Use Preparation

Before the first wash cycle, it is recommended to:

1. **Add Dishwasher Salt:** If your local water supply is hard, fill the salt dispenser with dishwasher salt. Refer to the 'Maintenance' section for details.
2. **Add Rinse Aid:** Fill the rinse aid dispenser. Refer to the 'Maintenance' section for details.
3. Run an empty cycle with detergent to clean the interior.

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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### 1. Control Panel Overview

Familiarize yourself with the control panel, typically located on the top edge of the door or on the front. It usually includes program selection buttons, a start/pause button, and indicator lights for salt, rinse aid, and cycle status.

### 2. Loading the Dishwasher

Proper loading ensures optimal cleaning results. Scrape off large food particles before loading. Do not pre-rinse dishes excessively.

- **Lower Rack:** Place larger items like plates, bowls, pots, and pans. Ensure items do not block the spray arms.
- **Upper Rack:** Ideal for glasses, cups, smaller plates, and delicate items.
- **Cutlery Basket:** Place forks and spoons with handles down, knives with handles up for safety. Separate items to prevent nesting.

### 3. Adding Detergent

Open the detergent dispenser and add the appropriate amount of dishwasher detergent. The amount depends on the program selected and the soil level of the dishes. Close the dispenser lid securely.

### 4. Selecting a Program

The Teka DFS 76850 offers various wash programs:

- **Normal:** For regularly soiled dishes.
- **Intensive:** For heavily soiled dishes, pots, and pans.
- **Delicate:** For lightly soiled or fragile items.

Select the desired program using the program selection button on the control panel.

### 5. Starting a Cycle

Close the dishwasher door firmly. Press the 'Start' button. The program will begin shortly. Some models may have a delay start option.

### 6. Interrupting or Cancelling a Cycle

To interrupt a cycle, carefully open the door. The dishwasher will pause. To resume, close the door. To cancel a cycle, press and hold the 'Start/Cancel' button for a few seconds (refer to your specific model's instructions for exact timing). The dishwasher will drain and reset.

### 7. Unloading

Once the cycle is complete, wait a few minutes before opening the door to allow steam to dissipate and dishes to cool. Unload the lower rack first to prevent water from dripping onto dry dishes.

## MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

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Regular maintenance ensures optimal performance and hygiene.

### 1. Cleaning Filters

The filter system prevents food particles from recirculating. Clean the filters regularly (e.g., weekly or bi-weekly).

1. Twist and remove the coarse filter.
2. Remove the fine filter and the main filter.
3. Rinse all filters under running water to remove food debris. Use a soft brush if necessary.
4. Reassemble the filters in reverse order, ensuring they are securely locked in place.

### 2. Cleaning Spray Arms

Periodically check the spray arm nozzles for blockages. If clogged, remove the spray arms and clear the holes with a thin object like a toothpick. Rinse thoroughly and reattach.

### 3. Cleaning the Interior and Exterior

- **Interior:** Wipe the interior with a damp cloth after each cycle. Occasionally run a dishwasher cleaner or a cycle with white vinegar to remove mineral buildup and odors.
- **Exterior:** Wipe the exterior surfaces with a soft, damp cloth. For stainless steel finishes, use a specialized stainless steel cleaner. Do not use abrasive cleaners.

### 4. Refilling Salt and Rinse Aid

- **Dishwasher Salt:** When the salt indicator light illuminates, unscrew the cap of the salt dispenser (located at the bottom of the dishwasher tub) and fill with dishwasher salt using the provided funnel. Replace the cap securely.
- **Rinse Aid:** When the rinse aid indicator light illuminates, open the rinse aid dispenser cover (located on the inside of the door) and carefully pour in rinse aid until the indicator shows full. Close the cover securely.

### 5. Winterization (for non-use in cold environments)

If the dishwasher will be stored in an unheated area during winter, drain all water from the appliance to prevent freezing and damage. Consult a qualified technician if unsure.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

Before contacting customer service, refer to the following table for common issues and solutions.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Dishwasher does not start	Power cord not plugged in; Door not closed properly; Fuse blown/circuit breaker tripped	Check power connection; Ensure door is latched; Check household fuse/breaker
Dishes not clean	Improper loading; Insufficient detergent; Clogged spray arms/filters; Incorrect program selected	Reload dishes correctly; Add more detergent; Clean spray arms and filters; Select appropriate program
Water not draining	Drain hose kinked/blocked; Clogged filter; Drain pump malfunction	Check and clear drain hose; Clean filters; Contact service if pump issue
White film on dishes	Hard water; Insufficient salt/rinse aid; Too much detergent	Check water hardness setting; Refill salt/rinse aid; Reduce detergent amount
Dishwasher leaks	Loose hose connections; Damaged door seal; Overfilling	Tighten connections; Inspect/replace door seal; Use correct detergent amount

## SPECIFICATIONS

Key technical specifications for the Teka DFS 76850 Dishwasher:

Feature	Specification
Model Name	DFS 76850
Brand	Teka

Feature	Specification
Installation Type	Freestanding
Product Dimensions (D x W x H)	69D x 70W x 90H Centimetres
Item Weight	54 Kilograms
Material	Stainless Steel
Colour	Silver
Cycle Options	Normal, Intensive, Delicate
Special Feature	Easy to install

## WARRANTY AND CUSTOMER SUPPORT

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Your Teka DFS 76850 dishwasher comes with a manufacturer's warranty. Please refer to the separate warranty card included with your purchase for specific terms, conditions, and duration. For technical assistance, spare parts, or to schedule a service appointment, please contact Teka customer support. Contact details can typically be found on the Teka official website or in your warranty documentation.