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## Electric Kettle Bouilloire électrique Hervidor de agua

Le invitamos a leer cuidadosamente este instructivo antes de usar su aparato.

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Lire avant utilisation.  
Lea antes de usar.**



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## IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using electric appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including the following:

1. Read all instructions.
2. Do not touch hot surfaces or hot water. Use handles or knobs. Care must be taken since burns can occur from touching hot parts or from spilled hot liquid.
3. To protect against fire, electric shock, and personal injury, do not immerse cord, plug, or electric kettle in water or other liquid.
4. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
5. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Allow to cool before putting on or taking off parts and before cleaning.
6. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or after the appliance malfunctions or is dropped or damaged in any manner. Call our toll-free customer assistance number for information on examination, repair, or adjustment.
7. The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the manufacturer may result in fire, electrical shock, or personal injury.
8. Do not use outdoors.
9. Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter or touch hot surfaces, including the stove.
10. Do not place electric kettle on or near a hot gas or electric burner or in a heated oven.
11. To disconnect electric kettle, turn any control to OFF (O) and then remove plug from wall outlet. Never pull on cord as this may damage the cord and eventually cause electric shock.
12. Do not use appliance for other than intended use.
13. Do not use for other than heating water. Other liquids or food will contaminate the interior and void warranty.
14. Do not allow kettle to boil dry.
15. To avoid circuit overload, do not operate another high-wattage appliance on the same circuit.
16. Scalding may occur if the lid is opened during the boiling cycle.

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

### Other consumer safety information

**This appliance is intended for household use only.**

**WARNING! Shock Hazard:** This product is provided with either a polarized (one wide blade) or grounded (3-prong) plug to reduce the risk of electric shock. The plug fits only one way into a polarized or grounded outlet. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the plug by modifying the plug in any way or by using an adapter. If the plug does not fit fully into the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, have an electrician replace the outlet.

The length of the cord used on this appliance was selected to reduce the hazards of becoming tangled in or tripping over a longer cord. If a longer cord is necessary, an approved extension cord may be used. The electrical rating of the extension cord must be equal to or greater than the rating of the appliance. If the appliance is of the grounded type, the extension cord should be a grounding-type, 3-wire cord. Care must be taken to arrange the extension cord so that it will not drape over the countertop or tabletop where it can be pulled on by children or accidentally tripped over.

## Parts and features



### How to use the kettle

**CAUTION: Burn Hazard.** Do not touch the spout. Steam may spit out of the spout.

**BEFORE FIRST USE:** Fill kettle with water to the water level window. Plug kettle into outlet and turn ON (I) and bring water to a boil. Repeat 2–3 times, rinsing the kettle. Kettle is now ready for use.

1. Fill kettle with required amount of water. Water level is between the water level window.
2. Make sure that the lid is closed and the kettle is on a level surface.
3. Plug into outlet and turn ON. Switch will glow.
4. When water has boiled, turn OFF. **NOTE:** The surface of the kettle is hot. Do not grip the kettle by the handle.
5. After use, unplug kettle from outlet.

**NOTE:** Only use kettle to heat water. Do not use for other liquids, such as coffee.

**If Kettle Boils Dry:** If your kettle boils dry without being filled with water, the kettle will cycle continuously until you switch it back on. You should:

- Turn the switch to OFF (O) and wait 15 minutes for the element to cool.
  - Refill the kettle; then use the kettle functions correctly.
- If Kettle Does Not Work:** If the kettle does not work, call the toll-free customer assistance number.
- Have you turned power switch to ON (I)?
  - If the kettle heats but does not boil, is the water level below the water level window?
  - Has the kettle been accidentally switched to OFF (O) with water or allowed to boil dry? If so, turn OFF (O), wait 15 minutes, and then turn ON (I).
  - Is cord firmly plugged into outlet?

### Care and cleaning

**WARNING! Electric Shock Hazard.** Do not touch the kettle or plug when plugged into outlet.

1. With kettle unplugged, rinse the interior. Allow kettle to cool. Remove any scale buildup, empty kettle after use.
2. To remove discoloration or mineral deposits from the heating element: Place 1/2 cup of white vinegar in the spice aisle of grocery store. Fill the kettle 1/2 full with water and bring to boil. Turn OFF (O) and let stand 15 minutes. Rinse 3 times with clean tap water.
3. Wipe the exterior of kettle with a damp cloth. Do not use abrasive scouring pads or steel wool. Do not scratch the smooth surface.