



**8-10 CUP STIR POPPER**  
MODEL # DPX-16 INSTRUCTION MANUAL



# IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using electrical appliances especially when children are present, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and/or injury to persons, including the following:

1. READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS.
2. Do not touch hot surfaces. Use any handles or knobs. Parts become hot during popping.
3. To protect against electrical shock, do not place cord, plug or appliance in water or other liquid.
4. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is operated by or near children.
5. Do not leave appliance unattended while in use.
6. A popper that is plugged into an outlet should not be left unattended.
7. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Allow to cool before cleaning and putting on or taking off parts.
8. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or after the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner. Return appliance to the nearest authorized service facility for examination, repair or adjustment.
9. The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the appliance manufacturer may result in fire, electrical shock or injury.
10. Do not use outdoors.
11. Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter, or touch hot surfaces.
12. Do not place on or near a hot gas or electric burner or in a heated oven.
13. Extreme caution must be used when moving an appliance containing hot oil or other hot liquids.
14. Do not use the appliance for other than its intended use.
15. Always attach plug to appliance first, then plug cord into wall outlet. To disconnect, turn any control to "OFF," then remove plug from wall outlet.
16. Always operate the popcorn popper on a secure, dry, level surface.
17. Always allow adequate air space above and on all sides for air circulation. Do not allow the popcorn popper to touch curtains, wall coverings, clothing, dish towels or other flammable materials during use.
18. Caution is required on surfaces where heat may cause damage. An insulated heat pad is recommended.
19. This popcorn popper will not shut off automatically. To avoid overheating, add corn and oil before operating.
20. Do not operate the popcorn popper for more than 5 minutes at a time. Allow 10 minutes between cycles of popcorn. This will allow the motor to cool down.
21. Do not make contact with moving parts.
22. CAUTION: Do not touch the popcorn popper cover during or immediately after operation. The appliance will be extremely hot.
23. Extreme caution must be used when unloading popcorn. Always turn the appliance away from you and over a countertop so that residual hot oil or water running out will not cause burns.

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

## 8-10 CUP STIR POPPER FEATURES



1 Vent Cap

2 Clear Lid / Serving Bowl

3 Cool-Touch Side Handles

4 Agitator Locking Nut

5 Wire Agitator

6 Popper Base

This appliance is for HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY. It may be plugged into an AC electrical outlet (ordinary household current). Do not use any other electrical outlet.

### **POLARIZED PLUG**

This appliance has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other). To reduce the risk of electric shock, this plug is intended to fit into a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully into the outlet, reverse the plug and try again. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Do not attempt to modify the plug in any way.

A short power-supply cord (or detachable power-supply cord) is to be provided to reduce the risk resulting from becoming entangled in or tripping over a longer cord. Longer detachable power-supply cords or extension cords are available and may be used if care is exercised in their use. If a longer detachable power-supply cord or extension cord is used,

1. The marked electrical rating of the cord set or extension cord should be at least as great as the electrical rating of the appliance, and
2. The cord should be arranged so that it will not drape over the countertop or tabletop where it can be pulled on by children or tripped over unintentionally.

### **LINE CORD SAFETY TIPS**

1. Never pull or yank on cord or the appliance.
2. To insert plug, grasp it firmly and guide it into outlet.
3. To disconnect appliance, grasp plug and remove it from outlet.
4. Before each use, inspect the line cord for cuts and/or abrasion marks. If any are found, this indicates that the appliance should be serviced and the line cord replaced.
5. Never wrap the cord tightly around the appliance, as this could place undo stress on the cord where it enters the appliance and cause it to fray and break.

**DO NOT OPERATE APPLIANCE IF THE LINE CORD SHOWS ANY DAMAGE, OR IF APPLIANCE WORKS INTERMITTENTLY OR STOPS WORKING ENTIRELY.**

## IMPORTANT

For your safety, always read and understand the Use and Care Manual before attempting to use any electric appliance.

### BEFORE USING:

1. Carefully unpack the popcorn popper. Remove all packaging materials, including those which may be inside the product. **Please check all packing material carefully before discarding. Accessory parts may be contained within the packing materials.**
2. Wash the bowl, vent cap and accessories in warm soapy water, rinse and dry thoroughly. Do not use abrasive cleaners. Use a soft, dry cloth to wipe the internal popping surface. NEVER IMMERSE THE PRODUCT, CORD OR PLUG IN WATER OR ANY OTHER LIQUID.

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Place the popcorn popper on a flat, dry and level surface.
2. Plug the power cord into a standard outlet and press the switch to the on position. The rod will begin rotating and the base will begin heating.
3. Measure out oil and unpopped kernels according to the table below.

Vegetable Oil	Unpopped Kernels	Popped Popcorn Yield
1 tablespoon	¼ cup	4-5 cups
2 tablespoons	½ cup	8-10 cups

**NOTE:** It is recommended to use vegetable oil when popping. Substituting butter, margarine, lard or shortening may cause popcorn popper to smoke excessively. Healthier oils such as extra virgin olive oil, canola oil or sunflower oil can be substituted, but quantities should be experimented with to determine personal preferences.

4. Add vegetable oil to the popper base. Add unpopped popcorn kernels to the popper base, spreading them evenly across the nonstick popping surface.
5. Position the serving bowl so the handles of the cover fit properly into the handles of the popper base.

**NOTE: DO NOT PLACE THE VENT CAP OVER THE VENT DURING THE POPPING PROCESS. PUT THE VENT CAP IN PLACE AFTER THE POPPING PROCESS IS COMPLETE AND BEFORE FLIPPING OVER THE BOWL FOR SERVING.**

6. In approximately 3-5 minutes the corn will begin to pop. When the popping speed slows down, switch off the popcorn popper and unplug from the outlet.

7. **Place the vent cap securely in place over the vent. The vent cap must be in place before the popper is flipped for serving the popped corn.** Using a hot pad or oven mitt, grasp the handles of both the popcorn popper and the serving bowl and rotate them upside down. Remove the popper base by opening it away from you to allow steam to escape. Set popper base aside. The clear bowl can now be used as a serving container.

*If popping additional batches of popcorn, transfer popped corn from the serving bowl to another container and repeat the popping process above.*

## **POPCORN HINTS, TIPS AND SUGGESTIONS**

- Never use microwave popcorn in your popcorn maker. Use only fresh popcorn kernels. Old or stale kernels may cause scorching or smoking during operation. For the freshest popcorn, store kernels in a tightly sealed glass container. Do not store them in the refrigerator.
- Premium or gourmet popcorn kernels may not yield as good of results as regular popcorn kernels. There may be a larger amount of unpopped kernels if using premium popcorn.
- If using popcorn seasonings or gourmet salts they will adhere to the freshly popped popcorn better by misting the popped corn with a light layer of olive oil or even lemon or lime juice for a slightly different flavor.
- Experiment with flavors such as cinnamon, basil, Parmesan, paprika, orange zest, sea salts, oregano, rosemary and more.

## **CLEANING AND STORAGE**

This appliance requires little maintenance. It contains no user-serviceable parts. Do not attempt to repair it yourself. Any servicing that requires disassembly, other than cleaning, must be performed by a qualified appliance repair technician.

### **TO CLEAN:**

Turn switch off and unplug the appliance. Allow popper to cool completely before cleaning or storing. Wash the serving bowl and vent cap in warm soapy water. Remove the agitator locking nut and wire agitator from the popper base by turning the fastener counter-clockwise. Wash agitator locking nut and wire agitator in warm soapy water. Rinse and dry all parts thoroughly. Do not use abrasive cleaners. Use a soft, dry cloth to wipe the nonstick popping surface. Replace the wire agitator after cleaning the popping surface making sure it lines up with the notch in the center post. Secure the wire agitator by tightening the agitator locking nut clockwise. **NEVER IMMERSER THE PRODUCT, CORD OR PLUG IN WATER OR ANY OTHER LIQUID. DO NOT PLACE THE ANY PARTS IN THE DISHWASHER.**

### **TO STORE:**

Be sure all parts are clean and dry before storing. Store appliance in its box or in a clean, dry place. Never store it while it is hot.

# ONE YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

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