

# Frigidaire



## Use and care instructions for your new Frigidaire refrigerator R 1512

### Installation

Your refrigerator is designed to maintain safe food storage conditions in varying room temperatures; it should if possible be placed in the kitchen. A very cold location is not desirable.

When the refrigerator is sited in the chosen position, ensure that it is both level and stable and that there is adequate ventilation to the back of the refrigerator.

**WARNING – THIS APPLIANCE MUST BE EARTHED**


When connected to a B.S. 1363 flat pin plug a 13 amp fuse must be fitted.

**IMPORTANT** – The wires in the mains lead supplied with this appliance are coloured in accordance with the following code:–

Green-and-Yellow	EARTH
Blue	NEUTRAL
Brown	LIVE

### CONNECTING INSTRUCTIONS

As the colour of the wires in the mains lead of this appliance may not correspond with the coloured markings identifying the terminals in your plug proceed as follows:–

The core which is coloured green-and-yellow must be connected to the terminal in the plug which is marked with the letter E or by the earth symbol  or coloured green-and-yellow.

The core which is coloured brown must be connected to the terminal which is marked with the letter L or coloured red.

The core which is coloured blue must be connected to the terminal which is marked with the letter N or coloured black.

If the terminals of your 3-pin plug are unmarked, or if your installation is fitted with 2-pin plugs, consult a Qualified Electrician before use.

Before using the refrigerator wash out the interior, including the frozen food compartment, with a solution made up of one teaspoon of bicarbonate of soda to one pint of warm water. Wipe dry.

### How to use the temperature control

#### Temperature Selection

The Temperature Control dial is marked, reading from warm to cold, 1 to 5.

The temperature within your refrigerator will be affected by such factors as location, room temperature, frequency of door openings, frequency of defrosting and the setting of the

sliding air baffle on the underside of the defrost tray. (The amount of cold air entering the refrigerator section may be increased by sliding the baffle to an intermediate or open position.)

In determining the correct Temperature Control setting all these factors have to be considered and some experimentation may be necessary to achieve the most economic operation. As a guide, in a normal kitchen temperature a control setting of number 3 or 4 will apply with the defrost tray air baffle closed. If this is not cold enough open the air baffle in stages until you are satisfied with the storage temperature.

In kitchens which are exceptionally warm, a Temperature Control setting of No 5 may be necessary.

#### Defrost Tray

The tray underneath the frozen food compartment serves the purpose of a catchment tray incorporating a drain hole and stopper for the defrost water and a sliding air baffle on the underside for controlling the amount of cold air entering the refrigerator section.

### Normal defrosting

#### When not storing Frozen Food

It is important to remove frost from the Frozen Food compartment regularly.

1. Push the defrost button which is located in the centre of the Temperature Control Knob. It is not necessary to remove food from the main storage compartment.

2. Pull out the defrost tray and remove the drain stopper and replace the tray.

3. Place a container on the top shelf of the refrigerator under the drain of the defrost tray to catch the defrost water.

4. Close the door and leave until frost has melted.

5. Whilst the mechanism is not running wipe and thoroughly dry the interior and underside of the compartment.

When the frozen food compartment is defrosted the mechanism will automatically re-start and will function on the previously selected temperature control setting.

### Fast defrosting

#### When storing Frozen Food or Ice Cream

When storing frozen food or ice cream it is important to defrost as rapidly as possible so that these items can be returned to the Frozen Food

compartment before they begin to thaw. However, do not attempt to chip or scrape ice from the surface in an attempt to speed up defrosting. On no account should a metal or sharp instrument be used in this connection.

1. Switch off at the power socket and remove the plug.

2. Pull out the defrost tray and remove the drain stopper and replace the tray. Place a container under the drain on the top shelf of the refrigerator to catch the defrost water.

3. Remove all food and ice tray from the Frozen Food Compartment. To prevent undue rise in the temperature of the frozen food and ice cream whilst defrosting wrap it in several thicknesses of newspaper and store in a cool place.

As indicated in the section headed 'Frozen Food Compartment', it should be noted that if a rise in temperature of the frozen food occurs during defrosting the storage life may be shortened to less than a month.

4. Place a bowl or pan of hot – but not boiling – water in the Frozen Food Compartment. This will accelerate defrosting.

5. After the frost has melted remove the bowl or pan, wipe the compartment and defrost tray dry and empty the defrost water from the container. Do not forget to replace the drain stopper in the defrost tray on completion of either normal defrosting or fast defrosting.

Return the FROZEN FOOD to the compartment immediately after switching on.

### Frozen food compartment

The two stars on the door of the Frozen Food Compartment means that your refrigerator is suitable for the medium term storage of frozen food.

As guide, medium term storage may be taken to be one month dependent on the nature of the packaged frozen food, but all frozen food should be stored in the Frozen Food Compartment in accordance with such instructions as may be provided on the package by the frozen food manufacturer and these times should not be exceeded.

It should be noted that if a rise of temperature of the frozen food occurs during defrosting, the storage life may be shortened to less than a month.

Frozen food should be placed in the Frozen Food Compartment as soon as possible after purchase. Ice cream can be kept for short periods but it must be hard frozen when put in.

You can also make ice cubes, chill home-prepared dishes and make ice cream in the Frozen Food Compartment. Do not keep carbonated soft drinks in this compartment.

Capacity of Frozen Food Compartment is 18,4 litres (0,65 cu. ft.)

## Cleaning your Frigidaire

Cleaning your refrigerator regularly is as important to health as maintaining proper temperatures. Your Frigidaire is easy to clean and keep clean.

### Exterior

Apply a damp soapy cloth to the outside. DO NOT use gritty soaps, scouring powders or acids. Occasionally polish exterior paint with a white furniture cream to preserve the lustre.

### Interior

All parts of the refrigerator interior should be wiped with a soft cloth dampened with a warm (not hot) solution of one teaspoon of bicarbonate of soda to one pint water. Ensure that no moisture runs down behind the temperature control. DO NOT use scouring powders, bleaching agents, solvents or acids. Then, wipe over with clean warm water.

Never use metal or nylon sponges, or scouring powders in cleaning any part of your Frigidaire.

### BEFORE CALLING FOR SERVICE

Please check the points which follow because by doing so you can save yourself time, trouble and expense.

### Mechanism Does Not Run

See that electricity is coming into the refrigerator. Do this by checking that the plug is firmly pressed in the wall socket, and that the socket switch (if any) is on.

Turn the Temperature Control dial to a colder setting — your Frigidaire may be on the 'off' cycle, waiting for the temperature to rise before resuming work. Do not forget to return the temperature control to your normal setting when the unit resumes operation.

If after adjusting the Temperature control, the mechanism still fails to function, test that electricity is reaching the electrical socket by plugging in a lamp or other electrical appliance.

If the current is not reaching the wall socket, check for blown fuses in your fuse box.

If the current is reaching the wall socket, check the refrigerator plug to see whether it is fitted with a fuse — if it is, replace with a new fuse. If the refrigerator has an interior light and this is on this indicates the fuses are not faulty.

If mechanism runs but cabinet is not cold enough

This usually indicates the need of a service engineer, but sometimes the following suggestions will help.

\* Stop mechanism by turning temperature control to '0' or switch off electricity and remove plug from the wall socket.

\* Allow mechanism to remain idle until all frost has melted — see defrosting instructions.

Re-start refrigerator and check that interior reaches correct temperature. If mechanism seems to run more than usual.

\* Clean off dirt, dust or fluff which may have accumulated on the condenser at the back of the refrigerator, using a long handled brush NOT a duster.

\* Check for excessive food load or large quantities of warm food placed in refrigerator.

Check that the temperature control switch is not set on too cold a setting.

If refrigerator is noisy.

Check to see if any foreign objects have fallen against the compressor unit in the base of the refrigerator. Make sure that refrigerator has not been pushed against the wall as this could cause pipes to rattle.

Also check the tubes at the rear of the cabinet to ensure they are not vibrating against the back of the refrigerator. If they are, adjustment can be made by easing away carefully from the area where vibration is evident.

\* The very faint bubbling sound which may sometimes be heard is due to the temperature rise of the liquid refrigerant and is a normal function of the cooling system.

If ice making is slow

\* The Temperature Control may be improperly set. Re-set to next highest number.

\* The ice tray may not be resting flat on Frozen Food Compartment shelf.

\* Room temperature may be too low to allow mechanism to run long enough.

### Some Simple DO's and DONT's

DO connect your Frigidaire to an electricity point which is not liable to be switched off accidentally.

DO defrost regularly — this must be done once a week or before the frost is about 1/4 inch thick. A heavily frosted refrigerator is less efficient.

DO let hot dishes cool before putting them into your Frigidaire otherwise defrosting will be needed more often.

DO keep your Frigidaire clean and hygienic. Always wipe bottles clean and dry, wash vegetables and fruit before storing. This is as important to health as maintaining proper temperatures.

DO follow the instructions given on the operation of the Temperature Control and you will ensure efficient operation.

DO wrap and cover foods for perfect storage.

Do remove paper bags and shop wrappings. Commercially frozen food, butter and fats should be kept in the original manufacturer's wrapping.

DO ensure that when the refrigerator is to be out of service for any length of time, that the interior is carefully cleaned, dried, the door left ajar and the electric plug disconnected.

DO NOT open the door more often or longer than necessary as this also causes rapid build up of frost.

DO NOT prevent the free passage of air up the back of the refrigerator,

DO NOT turn the current off at the mains if you intend to leave the refrigerator in use while on holiday.

DO NOT overload the interior. To do so will restrict the circulation of cooled air currents, which are necessary to help maintain the correct storage temperature conditions. This does not apply to the frozen food packages stored in the frozen food compartment — these can be packed closely together.

### PLEASE NOTE

If you are discarding an old refrigerator that has a lock on the door, please ensure that the lock is made unusable to avoid accidents to young children.

If your Frigidaire requires servicing please contact your Retailer.

