

## **G4 - MICROWAVE OVENS**

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### **ATTENDANCE**

The microwave oven must be attended during use.

### **TIMES AND POWER**

Exceeding the specified cooking times and/or the incorrect programming of a microwave power setting could result in overheating.

### **IN THE EVENT OF FIRE**

The following procedure must be carried out:

- Keep the oven door closed
- Turn the oven off and disconnect the plug from the socket (or shut off the power at the switch on the socket)

Use only microwave suitable materials (non-metal) in the oven.

### **VENTILATION**

- Do not block or obstruct the air vent openings
- Do not put anything near the air vent openings that may ignite easily due to the hot air coming out of them.

### **OIL AND FAT**

**Never** heat oil or fat for deep frying, as you cannot control the temperature of them and doing so may lead to overheating and fire.

### **STORAGE**

Do not keep food or anything inside the oven when not in use.

### **TURNTABLE AND WALLS**

Always wipe up spills on the turntable and never leave splashes on the walls after cooking. If you leave grease on the turntable it may overheat, smoke or even catch fire when using it next.

### **CHECK**

Please check the setting after you start the oven to ensure it is operating as desired.

### **TO AVOID DAMAGE OR PROBLEMS**

#### **Visual Check:**

Check the oven carefully for any signs of damage. Pay particular attention to:

- The door - make sure the door closes properly and ensure it is not misaligned or warped.
- The hinges and safety door latches - check to make sure they are not broken or loose.

- The seals and seal surfaces - ensure that they have not been damaged.
- Inside the oven cavity or on the door, check to be certain there are no dents.

If any damage is apparent do not operate the oven.

Ovens may be leaking microwaves, which can be harmful, (a leak test can be carried out by the Health, Safety and Environment Unit).

## **DOOR**

- Do not attempt to operate the oven with the door open. It is important not to defeat or tamper with the safety door latches as it could result in exposure to microwave energy.
- Do not operate the oven with any object caught in the door seal between the oven front face and the oven door as this may cause microwaves to leak out.
- Never allow grease or dirt to build up on the door seal and sealing surface as this may prevent the door from closing correctly and may cause a leakage of microwaves. Wipe the seals and door regularly with a damp cloth, preferably before splashes and grease become dried onto the surface.

## **OUTER CABINET**

Under no circumstances remove the outer cabinet. This would be very dangerous due to high voltage parts inside which can be lethal. Do not make any kind of hole in the casing (e.g. for a security device).

## **OPENINGS**

Do not insert fingers or objects in the holes of the door latches or air vent openings. It may cause electric shock or damage to the oven.

## **LIDS/TOPS**

Always remove the lids of jars, bottles, or containers.

## **LIQUIDS**

You must take care when you heat and boil liquids in your microwave, as with any other form of cooking. When you have heated liquids in your microwave, leave it in the oven for 20 seconds and then take it out carefully.

**Reference** - See Manufacturers Instructions

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