



# IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

When using your appliance, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including the following:

Read all instructions before using the generator.

1. Use appliance only for its intended use.
2. To protect against a risk of electric shock, do not immerse the appliance in water or other liquids.
3. The appliance should always be turned off before plugging or unplugging from outlet. Never yank the cord to disconnect from outlet, instead grasp plug and pull to disconnect.
4. Always disconnect appliance from electrical outlet when filling with water or emptying when not in use.
5. Do not allow cord to touch hot surfaces. Let iron cool completely before putting away.
6. Do not operate appliance with a damaged cord or if appliance has been dropped or damaged.
7. To avoid the risk of electric shock, do not disassemble the appliance. Ship it to the nearest authorized Rowenta approved service center for examination and repair. Incorrect reassembly can cause a risk of electric shock when the appliance is used.
8. Not intended for use by children. Close supervision is necessary for any appliance being used near children. Unsupervised use can result in fire or personal injury. Do not leave appliance unattended while plugged in, on an ironing board, or while it is still hot.
9. Burns can occur from touching hot metal parts, hot water or steam. Use caution when you turn a steam generator upside down. There may be hot water in the reservoir.
10. Before unscrewing the boiler drain screw, wait until the generator is cold (unplugged for more than 2 hours). Never fill the boiler through the boiler drainage hole (except for rinsing).
11. Do not direct steam at people, animals or iron clothes while they are being worn.
12. The use of accessory attachments is not recommended by Rowenta and may result in fire, electric shock or personal injury.
13. Always put the iron with the soleplate down on the iron rest, never resting on its heel.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. This is a 1800 watt appliance. To avoid a circuit overload, do not operate a high wattage appliance on the same circuit.
2. This unit comes equipped with a 12.5 foot power cord and 6 foot steam connection cord.
3. If an extension cord is absolutely necessary, a 15 ampere cord should be used. Cords rated for less amperage may overheat. Care should be taken to arrange the cord so that it cannot be pulled or tripped over unintentionally.
4. Your Rowenta appliance is intended for household use only.

**SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS**

## BEFORE USE

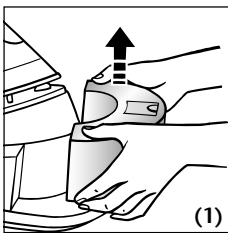
- Please read all of the instructions for use and the Important Safeguards carefully.
- Remove all packaging from the generator.
- The first time the steam generator is used, it is normal for a small amount of smoke and a slight odor to be produced. It will quickly disappear.
- When starting, and while it is being used, the electric pump injects water into the boiler. It makes a noise but this is normal. If you are pressing on the steam control button at this time, you may lose a little steam for a few seconds.

## HELPFUL HINTS

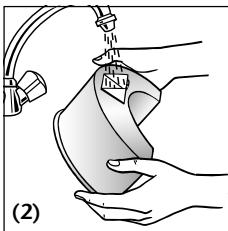
- Before using the generator for the first time or if you have not used the steam function for a few minutes, press the steam button several times in a row while holding the iron away from your clothes. This will enable any cold water to be removed from the steam connection cord.
- When ironing start with fabrics that require a low temperature setting (●) and finish with those which need the highest temperature (●●●).
- Mixed fiber fabrics should be ironed on the temperature for the most delicate fabric. For example a shirt that is 60% cotton and 40% polyester should be ironed at the (●) setting for synthetics.
- If spray starch is used, spray it onto the reverse side of the garment. Allow starch to penetrate before ironing.
- For best results, use a mesh type ironing board to allow excess steam to escape.
- For delicate fabrics, we recommend carrying out a test on an unobtrusive area of the garment such as an inner seam.

## FILLING THE WATER TANK

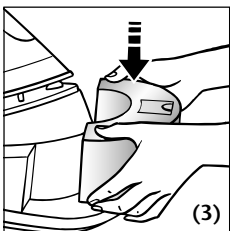
1. Place your steam generator on a stable, horizontal heat-resistant surface.



2. Remove the water tank by pulling the tabs upward (1).



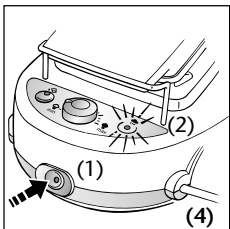
3. Fill the water tank taking care not to exceed the maximum level (2).



- Replace it securely on the base and push down to lock in place (3).

The steam generator is designed to operate using tap water. Please review WATER RECOMMENDATIONS section for additional water information.

## TURNING ON THE STEAM GENERATOR



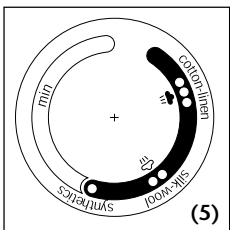
- Completely remove the power cord from its storage space before plugging in.
- Press on the on/off switch (located on the front of the appliance) (1) the green light on the control panel flashes and the boiler heats up (2). It will take approximately 2 minutes to heat. The green "steam ready" light will stop flashing (4).

## UNDERSTANDING THE CONTROL PANEL

- Flashing green light : the water is heating up in the boiler.
- Continuous green light : steam is ready for use.
- Continuous red light : the water tank is empty.
- Boiler reset button: to be activated after each refill.

## USING YOUR STEAM GENERATOR

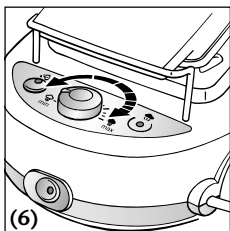
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- Set the temperature control dial for the type of fabric being ironed (5).

- Synthetics (low temperature)
- Silk/Wool (medium temperature)
- Cotton/Linen (high temperature)

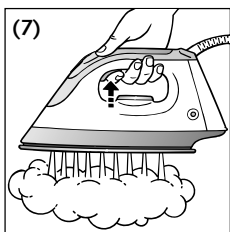
- The iron temperature indicator turns on.



3. Adjust the steam control dial located on the control panel (6), eg. less steam for low temperatures.  
Be careful! The steam generator is ready when the temperature indicator light goes out and when the green "steam ready" light stays on.

With delicate fabrics (● setting), turn the steam output control dial to the minimum position and press the steam control button (under the handle of the iron) intermittently to avoid water droplets appearing with the steam.

Type of fabric	Iron thermostat setting	Steam control dial setting
Synthetic Viscose Polyester	 ● (low temperature)	
Silk Wool	 ● ● (medium temperature)	
Cotton Linen	 ● ● ● (high temperatures)	



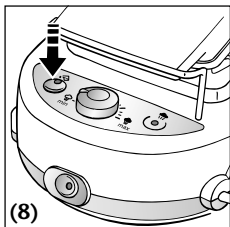
4. To obtain steam, press on the steam button beneath the iron handle and keep it pressed (7). The steam will stop when you release the button. We recommend pressing and releasing the steam button at regular intervals of 15 seconds.

**Note:** It is normal for the steam connection cord to become warm while in use.

## FILLING DURING USE

The red "water tank empty" light turns on when there is no water left to produce steam.

1. Remove the water tank and fill. See **FILLING WATER TANK** section.

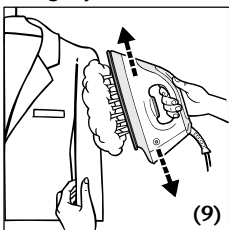


2. Ensure the water tank is replaced **securely** and press the boiler reset button located on the control panel to continue your ironing (8).

## VERTICAL STEAM IRONING

**Warning:** Steam produced is very hot. To avoid burns and scalding, never iron or steam clothes while they are being worn.

- To remove wrinkles in cotton or linen, the soleplate can come in contact with the fabric for optimal results.
  - For synthetic fabrics, a distance of 4 inches is recommended to avoid damage to the garment.
  - For delicate fabrics, we recommend carrying out a test on an unobtrusive part of the garment (inner seam).
1. Set the temperature control dial and the steam control dial (located on the control panel) to the maximum position.
  2. Hang the garment on a coat hanger and hold the fabric slightly taut with one hand.



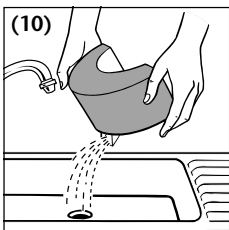
3. Holding the iron in a vertical position, press continuously on the steam button (beneath the iron handle) moving the iron from top to bottom (9).

## AFTER IRONING

1. Press the on/off switch (red light goes out) and unplug.
2. Place the iron on the iron rest.
3. **Leave the iron to cool down for approximately 60 minutes.**

Once completely cool, you can put your steam generator away.

## Removable water tank



Empty and rinse the removable water tank before storing (10). We recommend emptying while not in use.

## CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

- **Before cleaning, ensure that the steam generator is unplugged and that the soleplate and the iron rest have completely cooled down.**
- Do not use any cleaning or descaling products for cleaning the soleplate or the boiler.
- Never hold the iron or the base unit under the tap.
- Do not place the iron on a metal rest as this could damage it. Place it on the iron rest on the base unit: it has non-slip pads and has been designed to withstand high temperatures.

### The iron soleplate

- In normal use a draggy coating may build up on the soleplate (starch, detergent buildup, burnt synthetic fibers). This can be easily removed by using the Rowenta Soleplate Cleaning Kit or a quality hot iron soleplate cleaner available at most stores.
- To prevent scratching of the soleplate, do not iron over sharp objects (zippers, etc.). Do not place the iron on rough surfaces, e.g. metal iron support, which may scratch the soleplate. Place the iron on its rest on top of the base of the unit.
- Always put the iron with the soleplate down on the iron rest, never place on its heel.

### The base unit

The iron and base can be cleaned with a damp cloth and wiped dry.

Never use household cleaners, descalers or solvents.

## RINSING OUT THE BOILER

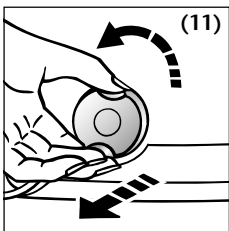
### Be careful:

- To ensure optimum steam performance, the boiler must be rinsed out after every 10 uses. If your tap water is hard, increase the frequency.
- Do not use any descaling agents as they could damage the generator.

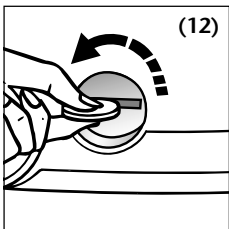
### 1. Generator must be empty, unplugged and completely cold.

Allow to sit 2 hours before rinsing boiler.

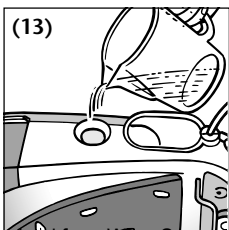
### 2. Place your steam generator on the edge of your kitchen sink.



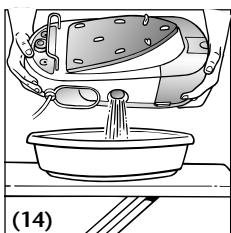
### 3. Remove the drain screw cover located on the side of the appliance (11).



### 4. Using a coin, unscrew the drain screw (12).



### 5. Holding your steam generator on its side, fill the boiler using a water pitcher with 8 oz. of water (13).



6. Shake the base unit for 2 minutes and then empty it **completely** over a sink or bucket (14). Repeat this process.

7. Important : Before closing, make sure no water remains in the boiler.
8. Replace and tighten the drain screw with a coin.
9. Replace the drain screw cover.

## WATER RECOMMENDATIONS

### Tap water

Rowenta irons are designed to be used with REGULAR TAP WATER (up to 12 grains of hardness). If your water is harder than this, Rowenta recommends mixing half tap water with half distilled water which reduces the hardness; or just use inexpensive bottled spring water. Never use 100 % distilled water as this can cause the iron to spit and leak.

### Softened water

There are many types of household water softeners and the water from many of them is perfectly acceptable for use in steam generator. However, some types of softeners, particularly those that use chemicals such as salt, can cause the appliance to leak or spit during use. If you experience this type of problem, we recommend that you try using inexpensive bottled spring water or untreated tap water. Never use 100 % pure distilled water.

Once you have changed water it will take several uses to correct the problem. Rowenta recommends trying the steam function for the first time on an old towel or cloth that can be discarded to avoid damaging your clothes.

### Iron and other impurities

If your water supply contains large amounts of iron or organic matter, these minerals can collect inside the appliance and eventually appear as brown stains. If you experience these problems Rowenta recommends using inexpensive bottles spring water. Never use 100 % pure distilled water.

### Always remember:

Battery water and water containing additives (such as starch, perfume or fabric conditioner) may not be used. Such additives can affect the properties of the steam and, at high temperatures, can form deposits in the steam chamber, which will mark the laundry when they are emitted through the steam vents. **Descaling liquids/agents should not be used.**



## TROUBLESHOOTING

Problems	Possible causes	Solutions
The steam generator ON light does not light up.	The appliance is not switched on.	Check that your appliance is correctly plugged in and press the on/off switch (located on the front of the appliance).
Water runs through the holes in the soleplate.	You are using steam before the iron is hot enough.  The water has condensed in the tubes because you are using steam for the first time or you have not used it for some time.	Decrease the steam output while ironing (steam control dial on the control panel). Wait for the iron temperature indicator light to go out before ironing. Press the steam button away from your ironing board until the iron produces steam.
White streaks come through the holes in the soleplate.	Your boiler has a build-up of scale because it is not rinsed out regularly.	Rinse out the boiler after every 10 uses (See section Rinsing Out the Boiler). If your water is hard, increase the frequency.
Brown streaks come through the holes in the soleplate and stain the linen.	You are using chemicals descaling agents or additives in the water for ironing.  Your linen is not rinsed sufficiently or you have ironed a new garment before washing it.	Never add this type of product (see our recommendations regarding water to be used).  Ensure linen is rinsed thoroughly to remove any soap deposits or chemicals on new garments.
Build-up on soleplate.	You are ironing at too high a temperature.  You are using starch.	See our recommendations regarding temperature control setting. Always spray starch onto the reverse side of the fabric to be ironed.
There is little or no steam.	The boiler does not operate, or the red light on the control panel comes on even though there is still water left. The removable water tank is empty (red "water tank empty" light on). The steam control dial is set at minimum.	Check that the removable water tank is securely in place and press the boiler reset button located on the control panel. Fill the removable water tank and press the boiler reset button located on the control panel.  Increase the steam output (control dial on control panel).
Steam escapes from the drainage screw. Steam escapes under the appliance.	The drain screw has not been tightened correctly.  Possibility of leak.	Tighten the drain screw correctly.  Stop using the generator and contact an Approved Service Center.

**If troubleshooting does not assist, before consulting the retailer regarding their return/exchange policy, please telephone consumer service at 781-396-0600.**

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#### **OFFICE LOCATION ONLY.**

To service product see service center information below.

If your appliance needs service, ship the product to your nearest regional service center. Be sure to put your name on the outside of shipping box (no P.O. boxes please). If in warranty, Rowenta will repair or replace product at their discretion. If the product is out of warranty, you will be advised of the cost of repair before any work begins.

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Turnpike Appliance  
3495A Lawson Blvd.  
Oceanside, NY 11572  
516-483-5596

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