

# Westinghouse

## Thermocolor™ Steam Iron



WST5017

**As the temperature changes...So does the color!**

# IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

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

1. Read all instructions.
2. Use iron only for its intended use.
3. To protect against a risk of electric shock, do not immerse the Iron in water or other liquids.
4. The Iron should always be turned to “min” position before plugging or unplugging from outlet. Never yank cord to disconnect from outlet; instead, grasp plug and pull to disconnect.
5. Do not allow cord to touch hot surfaces. Let iron cool completely before putting away. Loop cord loosely around iron when storing.
6. Always disconnect iron from electrical outlet when filling with water or emptying and when not in use.
7. Do not operate iron with a damaged cord or if the Iron has been dropped or damaged. To avoid the risk of electric shock, do not disassemble the Iron. Incorrect reassembly can cause a risk of electric shock when the Iron is used. Contact Consumer Service for examination and repair.
8. Close supervision is necessary for any appliance being used by or near children. Do not leave iron unattended while connected or on an ironing board.
9. Burns can occur from touching hot metal parts, hot water, or steam. Use caution when you turn a steam iron upside down -- there may be hot water in the Water Tank.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. To avoid a circuit overload, do not operate another high wattage appliance on the same circuit.
2. 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.

**SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS**  
**For Household Use Only**

# ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

**CAUTION HOT SURFACES:** This appliance generates heat and escaping steam during use. Proper precautions must be taken to prevent the risk of burns, fires or other injury to persons or damage to property.

1. All users of this appliance must read and understand this Owner's Manual before operating or cleaning this appliance.
2. The cord to this appliance should be plugged into a 120V AC electrical outlet only.
3. If this appliance begins to malfunction during use, immediately unplug the cord. Do not use or attempt to repair the malfunctioning appliance.
4. Do not leave this appliance unattended during use.

## 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 in the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Do not attempt to modify the plug in any way.

## Electric Power

If the electrical circuit is overloaded with other appliances, your appliance may not operate properly. It should be operated on a separate electrical circuit from other appliances.

## Electrical Specifications

120V ~ 60Hz 1400W

## Auto Shut-Off

For added safety, the Iron will shut off automatically when either of the following instances occurs:

- The Iron is left standing in the vertical position (on its Heel Rest) for more than 15 minutes.
- The Iron is left in the horizontal position (on its Soleplate) for more than 30 seconds.

When the Iron switches into Auto Shut-Off mode, the green Auto Shut-Off Light will illuminate and will flash until the Iron is moved or unplugged.

# Getting To Know Your Westinghouse WST5017 Thermocolor™ Steam Iron

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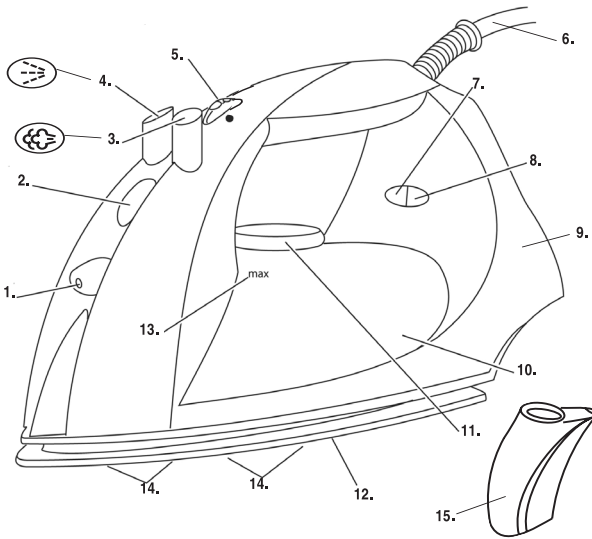


FIGURE 1

1. Spray Nozzle
2. Water Fill Opening
3. Blast of Steam Button
4. Spray Button
5. Steam Control Dial
6. Pivot Cord
7. Auto Shut-Off Light (green)
8. Thermostat Light (red)
9. Heel Rest
10. Water Tank
11. Temperature Control Dial
12. Ceramic Soleplate
13. Maximum Water Level Line
14. Steam Vents
15. Filler Cup (P/N 50759)

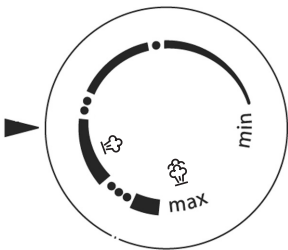


FIGURE 2:  
Temperature Control Dial

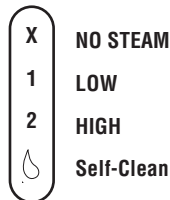


FIGURE 3:  
Steam Control Dial

# Thermocolor™ Technology: *As the temperature changes... So does the color!*

This Iron features a lighted Water Tank that glows in different colors to let you know when the desired temperature has been reached. When the Iron is heating up or the temperature setting has been adjusted, the Water Tank will cycle through the colors, indicating changes in actual ironing temperature.

When the Iron is first plugged in, the Water Tank glows blue, the lowest heat setting. The color-coded Temperature Control Dial shows the progression in color as the Iron heats from blue to green, then to lilac, and finally to red -- the maximum heat setting.




Fabric/Temperature Setting Guide		
FABRIC	TEMPERATURE	COLOR
Delicate, Silk	min	Blue
Nylon, Acrylics, Polyester	•	Blue
Wool, Polyester blends	•• 	Green
Cotton, Linen	••• 	Lilac
Cotton, Linen	max 	Red

FIGURE 4

## Ironing Tips

- For best results, check garment labels for the temperature and steam setting recommended by the fabric manufacturer.
- If you are unsure of a garment's fabric content, start on a low setting and test the Iron on an area of the garment that does not show, such as a seam. Gradually increase the heat setting until wrinkles remove without damaging the fabric.
- To freshen up garments made of velvet, felt, suede or velour, hold the steaming Iron horizontally 2 inches (5 cm) above the fabric for a gentle steaming. Make sure the Iron does not come in contact with the fabric.
- To prevent shine, iron dark garments or those made of silk, acetate or rayon inside out.
- For quick and easy reference, a condensed fabric guide is imprinted on the Heel Rest of the Iron (see illustration below).

min	●	●●	●●●	max
silk	nylon polyester	wool	cotton	linen

# OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

## Before First Use

1. Remove all packaging materials from the Ceramic Soleplate and the body of the Iron. Unwind and straighten the power cord.
2. Flush the Steam Vents using the Self-Clean function (see USER MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS).

**NOTE:** When the Iron is used for the first time, you may notice a slight amount of smoke; this is normal and will stop after a few minutes as the Iron continues to heat.

## Using as a Dry Iron

The Iron can be used on the dry setting with or without water in the Water Tank. However, it is best to avoid having water in the Water Tank while dry ironing.

1. Turn the Temperature Control Dial to the “min” position and the Steam Control Dial to the “X” (no steam) position.
2. Stand the Iron in the vertical position (on its Heel Rest) on a heat resistant surface and plug into a 120V outlet. An audible beep will sound and the Water Tank will glow blue.
3. Turn the Temperature Control Dial to the desired setting (See FIGURE 4 for basic fabric/temperature guidelines or check the condensed fabric guide imprinted on the Heel Rest of the Iron.) The red Thermostat Light will illuminate, indicating that the Iron is heating.

**NOTE:** For best results, check garment labels for the temperature setting recommended by the fabric manufacturer.

4. As the Iron is heating, the Water Tank will cycle through each color until the desired setting is reached. Once the Iron has reached the set temperature, an audible beep will sound and the red Thermostat Light will go off, indicating that the Iron is ready for use.

**NOTE:** The red Thermostat Light will continue to cycle off and on during use as the Iron maintains the desired temperature.

5. When changing from a higher temperature setting to a lower temperature setting, the Water Tank will cycle down through the colors until the Iron has cooled to the proper ironing temperature. When this occurs, the color of the Water Tank will correspond with the new temperature setting, indicating that the Iron is ready for use.
6. When finished ironing, turn the Temperature Control Dial to the “min” position and unplug the Iron. Stand the Iron back in the vertical position (on its Heel Rest) and allow it to cool completely before cleaning or storing.

**WARNING:** Never fill the Water Tank while the Iron is still hot.

## Using as a Steam Iron

When steam ironing, the Temperature Control Dial must be positioned to at least the “☼” symbol -- located midway between the GREEN (••) and LILAC (•••) settings.

1. Turn the Temperature Control Dial to the “min” position and the Steam Control Dial to the “X” (no steam) position.
2. Make sure that the Iron is unplugged and has cooled completely before filling.

**CAUTION: IF THE IRON IS HOT, DO NOT FILL WITH WATER.**

3. **Filling the Water Tank:** Place the Iron in the horizontal position (on its Soleplate). Using the Filler Cup provided, slowly pour water through the Water Fill Opening until the Water Tank is filled to the Maximum Water Level Line; DO NOT OVERFILL. (See FIGURE 5.)

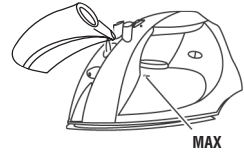


FIGURE 5

**IMPORTANT: Use tap water or distilled water only. Do not use chemically descaled water or any other liquids.**

4. With the Water Tank full, stand the Iron in the vertical position (on its Heel Rest) on a heat resistant surface and plug into a 120V outlet. An audible beep will sound and the Water Tank will glow blue.
5. Turn the Temperature Control Dial to the desired setting, between the “☼” and “☼” symbols. (See FIGURE 4 for basic fabric/temperature guidelines or check the condensed fabric guide imprinted on the Heel Rest of the Iron.) The red Thermostat Light will illuminate, indicating that the Iron is heating.

**NOTE:** For best results, check garment labels for the temperature setting recommended by the fabric manufacturer.

6. As the Iron is heating, the Water Tank will cycle through each color until the desired setting is reached. Once the Iron has reached the set temperature, an audible beep will sound and the red Thermostat Light will go off, indicating that the Iron is ready for use.

**NOTE:** The red Thermostat Light will continue to cycle off and on during use as the Iron maintains the desired temperature.

7. Turn the Steam Control Dial to the desired setting: “X” = no steam, “1” = low, “2” = high (see FIGURE 6).

**NOTE:** For optimum steam output, the Temperature Control Dial should be set to the “max” (RED) position.

**CAUTION: AVOID COMING IN CONTACT WITH ESCAPING STEAM.**

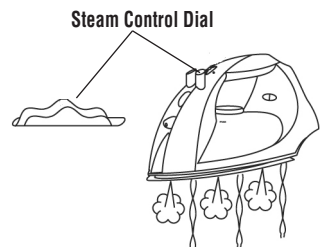


FIGURE 6

8. Press the Blast of Steam and Spray Buttons as needed (see the following sections for a complete description of these features).

- When changing from a higher temperature setting to a lower temperature setting, the Water Tank will cycle down through the colors until the Iron has cooled to the proper ironing temperature. When this occurs, the color of the Water Tank will correspond with the new temperature setting, indicating that the Iron is ready for use.

**NOTE:** To quickly drop the temperature of the Iron, press the Blast of Steam Button.

- When finished ironing, turn the Temperature Control Dial to the “min” position; turn the Steam Control Dial to the “X” (no steam) position, and unplug the Iron. If necessary, empty the Water Tank (see USER MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS). Stand the Iron back in the vertical position (on its Heel Rest) and allow it to cool completely before cleaning or storing.

**NOTE:** The Water Tank should be emptied after each use.



## Blast of Steam

The Blast of Steam Button releases a penetrating blast of steam to smooth out difficult wrinkles and to iron faster.

- When using the Blast of Steam feature, the Temperature Control Dial must be positioned to at least the “☁” symbol -- located midway between the GREEN (••) and LILAC (•••) settings. For best results, use the “max” (RED) temperature setting and keep the Water Tank at least half full.
- Firmly press the Blast of Steam Button once, then release (see FIGURE 7). It may be necessary to press the Blast of Steam Button 2 -3 times successively to release the initial burst. **DO NOT HOLD THE BLAST OF STEAM BUTTON DOWN.**

**CAUTION: AVOID COMING IN CONTACT WITH ESCAPING STEAM.**

- As the Blast of Steam Button is pressed and steam is released, the temperature of the Iron drops; thus the Water Tank color may cycle down momentarily. Allow at least 4 seconds between Blasts of Steam to allow the Iron to regain heat.

**NOTE:** The red Thermostat Light will continue to cycle off and on during use as the Iron maintains the desired temperature.



FIGURE 7



## Vertical Steam

The Blast of Steam Button can be used in the vertical position to remove wrinkles from clothes while on the hanger, and to freshen the appearance of hanging curtains or drapes.

1. When steaming drapes or curtains on the rods, make sure there is adequate ventilation behind the fabric to prevent moisture build-up and mildew. Always make sure there is nothing behind the fabric that may be damaged by the steam. Before steaming clothes, check that pockets, turn-ups, and cuffs are empty.
2. Make sure that the Temperature Control Dial is set to the “max” (RED) setting before releasing vertical blasts of steam. For maximum results, keep the Water Tank at least half full.

**CAUTION: IF THE IRON IS HOT, DO NOT FILL WITH WATER.**

3. Hold the Iron upright so that the Soleplate is 7-15 inches (18-38 cm) away from the garment or material. Press the Blast of Steam Button once, then release (see FIGURE 8). It may be necessary to press the Blast of Steam Button 2-3 times successively to release the initial burst. **DO NOT HOLD THE BLAST OF STEAM BUTTON DOWN.**

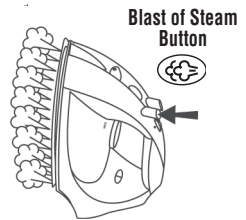


FIGURE 8

**CAUTION: AVOID COMING IN CONTACT WITH ESCAPING STEAM.**

4. As the Blast of Steam Button is pressed and steam is released, the temperature of the Iron drops; thus the Water Tank color may cycle down momentarily. Allow at least 4 seconds between blasts of steam to allow the Iron to regain heat.

**NOTE:** The red Thermostat Light will continue to cycle off and on during use as the Iron maintains the desired temperature.

## Spray Button

Use the Spray Button for moistening dry, difficult fabrics, and for handling stubborn wrinkles. The Spray function is also handy to moisten creases accidentally ironed into the fabric.

1. Make sure there is water in the Water Tank (see FILLING THE WATER TANK for detailed instructions).

**CAUTION: IF THE IRON IS HOT, DO NOT FILL WITH WATER.**

2. Aim the Spray Nozzle at the desired target, and then firmly press the Spray Button (see FIGURE 9). It may be necessary to press the Spray Button 2-3 times successively to release the initial spray of water.

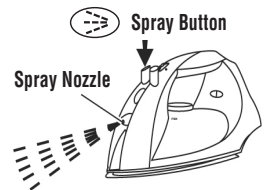


FIGURE 9

**NOTE:** The Spray function can be used on any heat setting and does not affect the ironing temperature.

# USER MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

This appliance requires little maintenance. It contains no user serviceable parts. Do not try to repair it yourself. Any servicing requiring disassembly must be performed by a qualified appliance repair technician.

## Emptying the Water Tank

The Water Tank should be emptied after each use.

1. When finished ironing, turn the Temperature Control Dial to the “min” position; turn the Steam Control Dial to the “X” (no steam) position, and unplug the Iron.
2. While the Iron is still warm, hold it over a sink and turn upside down, allowing water to drain from the Water Fill Opening (see FIGURE 10).
3. **Turn the Iron back to the horizontal position.** Press the Blast of Steam and Spray Buttons to release any water (see FIGURE 11). The warmth of the Iron should dry out any remaining water.

**CAUTION: AVOID COMING IN CONTACT WITH WATER OR ESCAPING STEAM.**

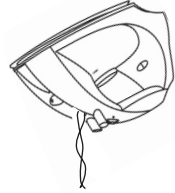


FIGURE 10

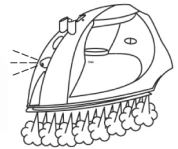


FIGURE 11

## Care and Cleaning

**CAUTION: Unplug the Iron from the electrical outlet and allow it to cool completely before cleaning and storing. Never immerse the Iron in water or any other liquid.**

**NOTE:** Do not put any chemical cleaning agents or solvents in the Water Tank, or on any part of the Iron.

1. Moisten a soft cloth with a dab of vinegar to remove spots from the Ceramic Soleplate. Take care not to scratch the Soleplate.

**CAUTION: Never use scouring pads or abrasive cleaners on the Ceramic Soleplate, as this may scratch the surface.**

2. Wipe the outside surfaces of the Iron with a damp cloth. If necessary, use a small amount of mild detergent to clean.
3. Before using again, preheat and move the iron over an old cloth several times to remove any residue from the Ceramic Soleplate.



## Self-Clean Function

It is advised to use the Self-Clean function after every 5 uses to prevent harmful mineral build-up that can clog the Iron and prevent proper heating and steaming.

1. With the Iron unplugged, turn the Temperature Control Dial to the “min” position and the Steam Control Dial to the “X” (no steam) position. Make sure that the Iron has cooled completely.

**CAUTION: IF THE IRON IS HOT, DO NOT FILL WITH WATER.**

2. **Filling the Water Tank:** Place the Iron in the horizontal position (on its Soleplate). Using the Filler Cup provided, slowly pour water through the Water Fill Opening until the Water Tank is filled to the Maximum Water Level Line; DO NOT OVERFILL. (See FIGURE 5.)

**IMPORTANT: Use tap water or distilled water only. Do not use chemically descaled water or any other liquids. DO NOT put any chemical cleaning agents or solvents into the Water Tank.**

3. With the Water Tank full, stand the Iron in the vertical position (on its Heel Rest) on a heat resistant surface and plug into a 120V outlet. An audible beep will sound and the Water Tank will glow blue.
4. Turn the Temperature Control Dial to the “max” (RED) setting. The red Thermostat Light will illuminate, indicating that the Iron is heating. Once the Iron has reached the set temperature, a final audible beep will sound and the red Thermostat Light will go off, indicating that the Iron is ready for use.
5. Hold the Iron horizontally over a basin or bowl, and turn the Steam Control Dial to the “☁” position -- continue to hold the Steam Control Dial in this position until the Water Tank is empty. Water and steam will flush the scale and dust through the Soleplate and into the basin.

**CAUTION: AVOID COMING IN CONTACT WITH ESCAPING STEAM.**

**NOTE:** To prevent Auto Shut-Off, gently move the Iron back and forth while self-cleaning.

6. When the Water Tank is empty, release the Steam Control Dial and turn it to the “X” (no steam) position. Turn the Temperature Control Dial to the “min” position and unplug the Iron. Stand the Iron back in the vertical position (on its Heel Rest) and allow it to cool completely before storing.

## Anti-Scale

This Iron features an anti-scale agent that helps prevent the build-up of scale.

**CAUTION: To prevent damage to the Iron or the Ceramic Soleplate, never use a descaling solution.**

## Storing the Iron

Remove the cord from the outlet by grasping the plug -- NEVER pull on the cord. Empty the Water Tank after each use, (see EMPTYING THE WATER TANK). Allow the Iron to COOL COMPLETELY before storing. To protect the Ceramic Soleplate, stand the Iron in an upright position on its Heel Rest. Wrap the cord loosely around the base of the Iron.

# LIMITED ONE-YEAR WARRANTY

**Warranty Coverage:** This product is warranted to be free from defects in materials or workmanship for a period of one (1) year from the original purchase date. This product warranty is extended only to the original consumer purchaser of the product and is not transferable. For a period of one (1) year from the date of original purchase of the product, our Repair Center will, at its option, either (1) repair the product or (2) replace the product with a reconditioned comparable model. These remedies are the purchaser's exclusive remedies under this warranty.

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