

# HOTPOINT SERVICE

**SERVICE CALL:** If you have a problem with your appliance ring your local Service Office. **SPARES and ACCESSORIES:** To purchase spares and accessories send your Accessories Order Form to your Service Centre. If the accessory or spare part you want is not on the form then contact your Service Centre for prices and availability. Please address all correspondence to Hotpoint Service Centre or Hotpoint Service Office as applicable.

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# HOTPOINT HANDBOOK FRIDGE FREEZERS

Models 8326, 8327, 8328 & 8341



# Hotpoint®

WARNING: Avoid accidents to children. When discarding an old fridge or freezer be certain to make the lock unusable.

In accordance with its policy of progressive product design, the Company reserves the right to alter specifications.

# Your new Hotpoint Fridge Freezer

Using your new fridge freezer is very simple. Nevertheless, to get the best results it is important that you read right through this handbook **before** using your fridge freezer for the first time. Do not load the freezer compartment immediately the fridge freezer is switched on, but wait until the correct storage temperature has been reached (see page 9).

## Electrical Requirements

We recommend that this appliance is connected to the mains supply via a suitable switched socket in a readily accessible position.

All Hotpoint appliances come complete with a fitted plug. The plug on your fridge freezer has a 13A fuse. If the plug does not fit your sockets, a new plug can be fitted. Cut off the old plug and throw it away, do not insert it into a socket elsewhere in the house as this could cause a shock hazard.


### **WARNING: THIS APPLIANCE MUST BE EARTHED.**

#### **IMPORTANT: Fitting a Different Plug:**

The wires in the mains lead are coloured in accordance with the following code:

- Green and Yellow – Earth
- Blue – Neutral
- Brown – Live

If you fit your own plug the colours of these wires may not correspond with the identifying marks on the plug terminals. This is what you have to do:

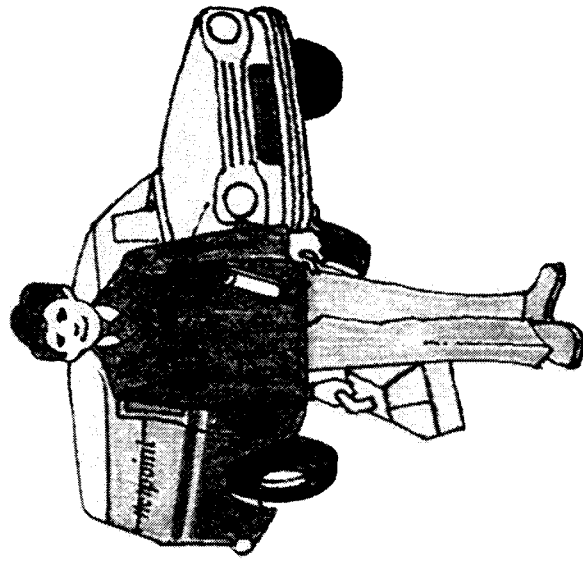
1. Connect the green and yellow (Earth) wire to the terminal in the plug marked 'E' or with the symbol , or coloured green or green and yellow.
  2. Connect the blue (Neutral) wire to the terminal in the plug marked 'N' or coloured black.
  3. Connect the brown (Live) wire to the terminal marked 'L' or coloured red.
- With alternative plugs a 5A fuse must be fitted either in the plug or adaptor or in the main fuse box. In the event of replacing a fuse in the plug supplied, a 13A ASTA approved fuse to BS1362 must be fitted.

If the plug is the moulded on type the fuse cover must be refitted when changing the fuse. In the event of losing the fuse cover the plug must **not** be used until a replacement fuse cover has been obtained and fitted. A new fuse cover can be obtained from your nearest Hotpoint Service Centre or local Electricity Board. The colour of the correct replacement fuse cover is that of the coloured marks or insert in the base of the plug.

#### **Mains Lead Replacement**

If the supply cord on this appliance is damaged, it must be replaced by a special cord which is obtainable from your nearest Hotpoint Service Centre (see back page).

# Five Year Guarantee



From the moment your fridge freezer is delivered, Hotpoint guarantees it for **FIVE YEARS**.

During the five years all parts are completely free of charge, provided they are fitted / Hotpoint's own Service Engineer. Labour costs are chargeable after the first year.

#### **Our FIVE YEAR**

**GUARANTEE** also covers loss of food up to £250 in the first year.

This guarantee does not cover accidents, negligence or power cuts. The fridge freezer must be used in the

United Kingdom and must not be tampered with or taken apart by anyone who is not an authorised Hotpoint representative. Hotpoint's guarantee in no way limits your legal rights.

#### **Iced Diamond Plan**

At the end of the first year Hotpoint offers a Service Plan which for an annual payment provides free of charge repairs and extends the loss of food cover up to £250 throughout the membership period.

If you wish to enjoy the benefits of this scheme please fill in the registration card and send it, together with your cheque/postal order to the nearest Hotpoint Service Office, addresses shown on the back page.

#### **Proof of Purchase**

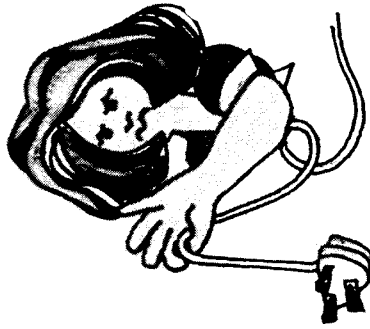
For future reference please attach your purchase receipt to this booklet and keep it in a safe place.

# If your Fridge Freezer won't work

... don't panic

Just run through these quick checks before calling your local Hotpoint Service Office.

1. Check that the plug is firmly in the wall socket and that the power supply is on.
2. Check the power supply to the socket by plugging in another appliance.
3. If the other appliance works, check the fuse in the fridge freezer plug.
4. If you have changed the plug, check the wiring (see page 2).
5. If there is excessive noise or vibration, check that all four feet are firmly in contact with the ground (see page 6).
6. If the interior light fails to work, refer to page 17 for further instructions.
7. If water appears down the inside back of the fridge compartment, check that the gutter drain hole has not become blocked and that there is nothing touching the cooling plate. (NB Water droplets on the cooling plate are quite normal.)
8. If water droplets appear on the outside of the cabinet when the room is cold or humid or you are freezing fresh foods, this is quite normal (see pages 10 and 12).



If, after following all these instructions, you are still having problems, contact your nearest Hotpoint Service Office (or local importer if outside the United Kingdom). The telephone number is shown on the back page.

When you contact us we need to know:

1. Your name, address and post code.
2. Your telephone number.
3. Clear and concise details of the fault.
4. The model number (8326, 8327, 8328 or 8341), and colour.
5. When it was purchased. Please put the date here .....
6. If you have subscribed to the Hotpoint Iced Diamond Plan (see opposite page). Make sure you have all these details before you call.

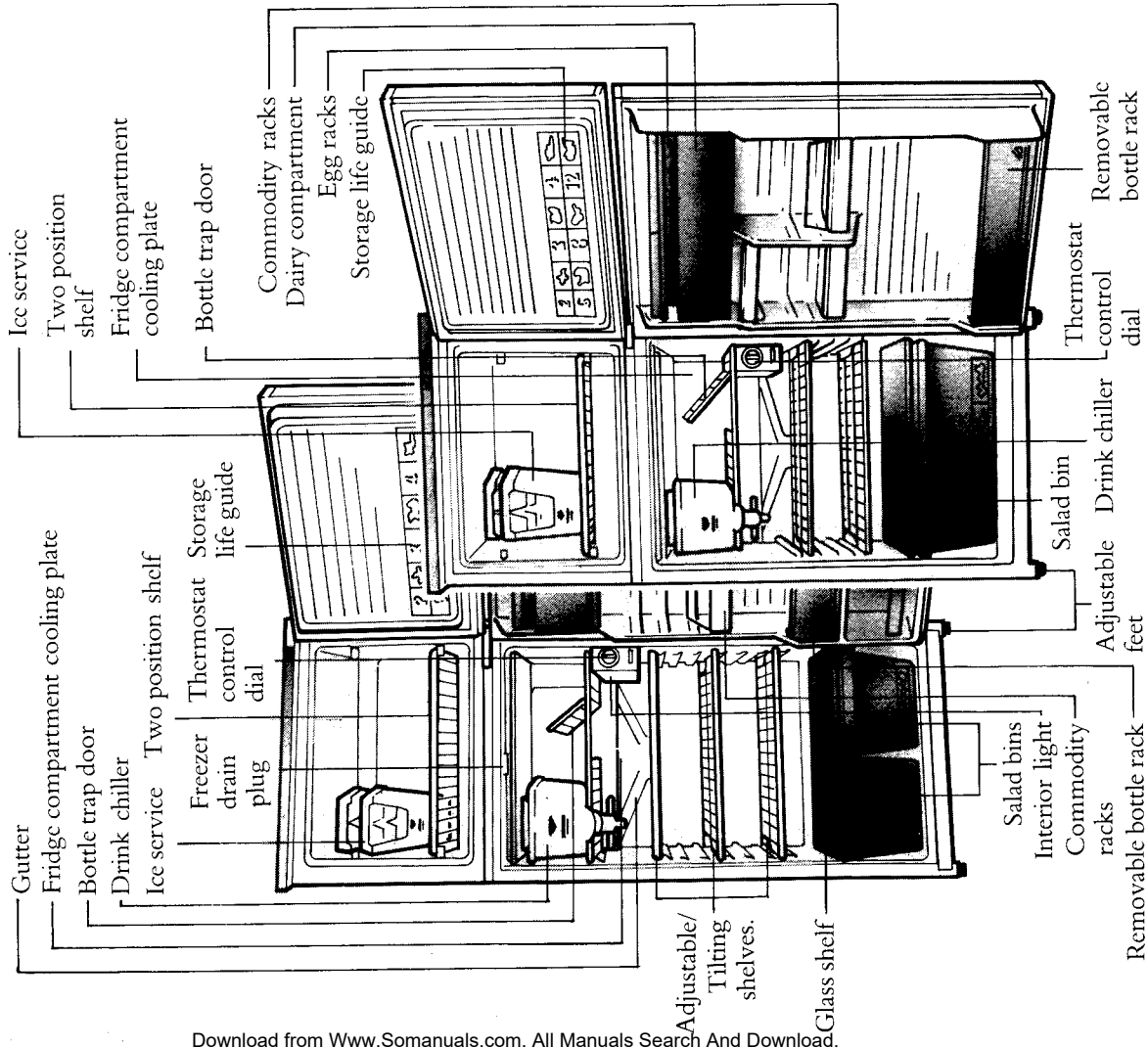


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# Get to know your Fridge Freezer

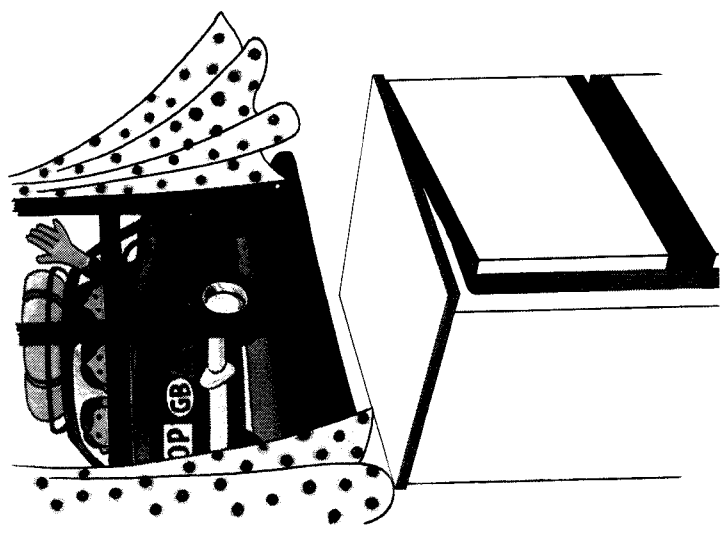


Model 8326 (Model 8328 is similar)

Model 8327 does not have an Ice Service, Dairy Compartment Door, Bottle Trap Door and only one Egg Rack.

## Going away

If you expect to be away for any length of time and don't want to use your fridge freezer, switch off at the power point and pull out the plug. Remove all food and follow the defrosting instructions (see pages 15 and 16). After defrosting dry out the interior. Always leave both doors ajar to prevent the accumulation of odours.



## How to replace the interior light

Should the light fail to work, **switch off and pull out the mains plug**, then ensure the bulb is screwed securely into the bulb holder. Replace the plug and switch on.

If the light still fails to work, do not worry, it will not affect the working of your fridge freezer. Obtain a replacement SES 15 Watt bulb from a local electrical retailer or your nearest Hotpoint Service Centre and then fit it as follows:

1. **Switch off and pull out the mains plug.**
2. Remove the wire shelves to make access easier.
3. Slacken off the lamp guard, undoing the pozidrive retaining screw by one turn.
4. Unclip and remove the lamp guard.
5. Unscrew the old bulb and fit the new one.
6. Refit the lamp guard, ensuring that the two legs opposite the retaining screw fit into the holes.
7. Retighten the retaining screw.
8. Replace the plug and switch on.

# Caring for your Fridge Freezer (cont.)

8. After defrosting remove the bowls and dry the interior thoroughly.
9. Remove the container of defrost water from the fridge compartment and put the drain plug back.
10. Replace the mains plug and switch on.
11. Refill the Ice Service and replace.
12. Job done!

## Cleaning your fridge freezer

It is a good idea to clean the inside of your fridge freezer after defrosting. Always **switch off and pull out the mains plug** first. Wipe out the inside of the fridge freezer using a clean cloth wrung out in either a solution of one teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda to one pint of water or Milton diluted according to the manufacturer's instructions. The complete interior including the door, and removable parts, should be washed. Never use any household cleaner or detergent, abrasive powders or wax polish. These not only damage the surfaces, but also leave a smell in the fridge freezer. Make sure that no particles of food are left in the gutter in the fridge compartment. Before you refill the fridge freezer ensure it is thoroughly dry.

Clean the outside of the fridge freezer, **but not the door seal**, with a damp cloth, using a small amount of detergent, followed by a wipe down with a clean cloth. Do not use an abrasive powder. **The rubber door seal must be cleaned with soap and water only as detergent will damage it.**

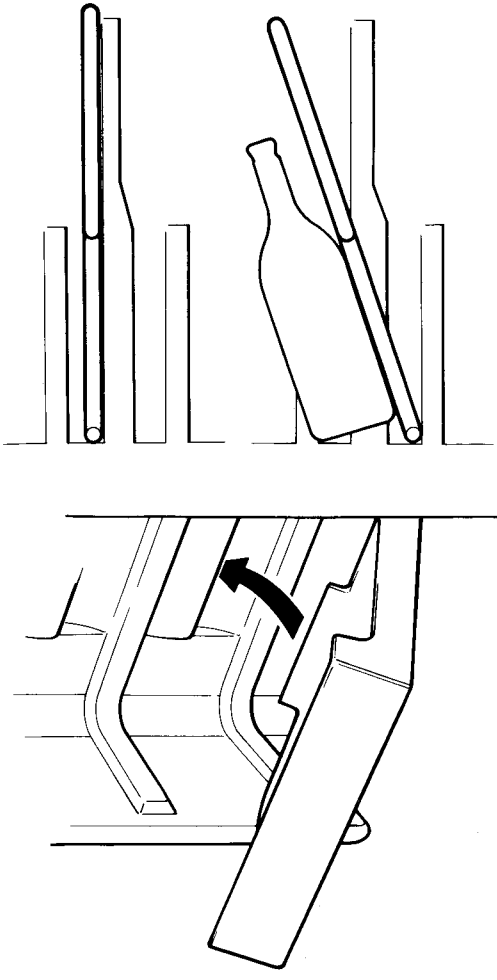
Finally, the compressor and condenser at the back of the fridge freezer can be carefully cleaned. Use a brush or vacuum cleaner to remove any dust. Always check that the fridge freezer is disconnected from the mains when doing this.

Remember to replace the mains plug and switch on after cleaning your fridge freezer.

## Cleaning the Drink Chiller

Both the drink chiller and tap must be cleaned regularly and should not be left empty without cleaning beforehand.

To do this, put one campden tablet or one tablespoonful of bicarbonate of soda into the chiller, top up with hot water and allow to dissolve. Alternatively use Milton diluted according to the manufacturer's instructions. Then operate the tap a few times to allow any sugar or syrup deposits to dissolve before emptying.



Commodity rack adjustment.

Adjustable/Tilting shelves

# Installing your Fridge Freezer

## Where to put your fridge freezer

Your fridge freezer should be placed where it is easy to use, alongside a work surface is often a good position. Try to avoid putting it near anything which gives off heat, a cooker or radiator for example. If this is unavoidable an air gap of 10mm (1/2") must be left between the hot object and the fridge freezer. In such a position your fridge freezer will have to work harder and will cost more to run.

Do not put your fridge freezer in a very cold room where the temperature goes below 6°C (43°F) for prolonged periods. In such a position the freezer compartment will run warmer and the storage time of frozen food may be reduced.

Once you have decided on the most suitable place, fit the two wall spacers supplied to the top of the condenser using the correct slot in the spacer for your particular type of condenser – your fridge freezer is fitted with one of two alternative condensers (a) or (b) as shown on page 6. Push the fridge freezer back until the spacers are against the wall. This automatically ensures adequate air circulation at the back of the fridge freezer.

# Caring for your Fridge Freezer

## Defrosting

### The fridge compartment

The fridge compartment will **automatically** defrost itself and the defrost water will drain out through the hole in the gutter and into a special container where it evaporates. Water droplets will form on the cooling plate during the defrost periods and will freeze on the plate afterwards. If your kitchen becomes exceptionally warm the cooling plate may not defrost regularly. Do not worry. Periodic defrosting will begin again when conditions return to normal.

Do make sure that the gutter is always kept clear and that stored food does not come into contact with the cooling plate.

### The freezer compartment

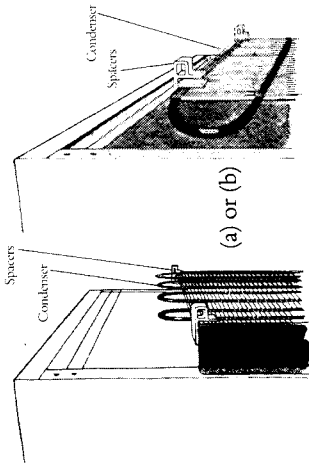
Excessive frost build-up reduces the efficiency of the freezer compartment so from time to time chip off the frost using the plastic scraper supplied. You do not need to switch off the power supply to do this.

**Never** use sharp metal tools to chip frost away – they will damage the freezer compartment.

When the ice becomes about 6mm ( $\frac{1}{4}$ " thick on the refrigerated surfaces completely defrost the freezer compartment. You should find you only need to do this about once or twice a year, depending on usage. Try to defrost when there is little or no food in the freezer compartment.

Defrosting must be carried out as quickly as possible since a rise in the temperature of your frozen food may reduce the recommended storage time. Just follow these steps:

1. **Switch off and pull out the mains plug.**
2. Remove any frozen food. Wrap it in several layers of newspaper or a blanket and put it in the fridge compartment or a cool place.
3. Remove the Ice Service.
4. Place bowls of hot water in the freezer compartment taking care not to cover the freezer drain.
5. Open the fridge compartment door and pull out the freezer drain plug and put it somewhere safe.
6. Put a suitable container on the top shelf of the fridge compartment underneath the freezer drain to collect the freezer defrost water.
7. As soon as the frost begins to melt use the plastic scraper to chip it off.



If your fridge freezer is placed underneath any wall cupboards, make sure that there is a gap of at least 38mm ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ " between the top of the fridge freezer and the underside of the cupboards.

Finally, make sure your fridge freezer is standing correctly by adjusting the two front feet until all four feet are in firm contact with the floor. Correct adjustment avoids excessive vibration and noise.



A Wheel Kit, Part No. 8031, for fitting to the back of your fridge freezer, is available from your retailer or Hotpoint Service Centres using the Accessories Order Form supplied.

### Fitting decor panels to match your kitchen units

For that fully co-ordinated kitchen look it is possible to fit matching decor panels to your fridge freezer. Special trim kits are available from Hotpoint that attach to the edges of the appliance doors and enable decor panels, up to 4mm ( $\frac{1}{8}$ in) thick, to be fitted. Decor panels are available from most kitchen supplier

Each door requires a separate trim kit:

Top door requires trim kit Part No. 8003 (Brown) or Part No. 8006 (White)

Bottom door requires trim kit Part No. 8002 (Brown) or Part No. 8005 (White)

These are available from your retailer or Hotpoint Service Centre (see back page) using the Accessories Order Form supplied with your Fridge Freezer.

### Repositioning the door hinges

Just follow the step by step instructions below:

**Tools required:** A 7mm/8mm A/F Spanner or a No. 2 Pozidriv.

1. Take out all the loose fittings such as shelves, drinks chiller and salad crisper from the inside of your fridge freezer.

# Do's and Don'ts (cont.)

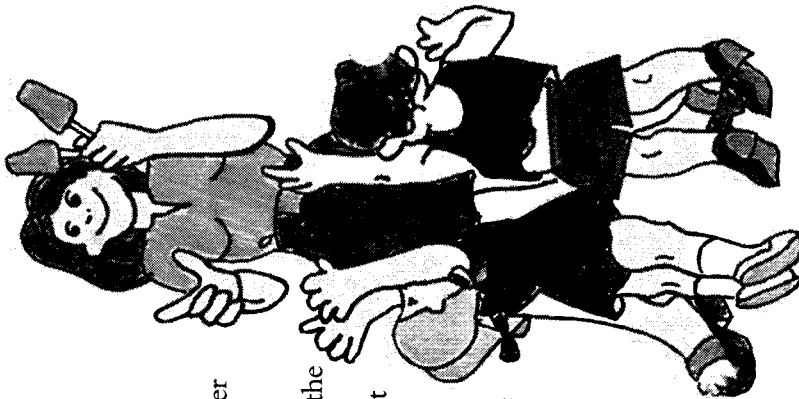
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### Fridge compartment

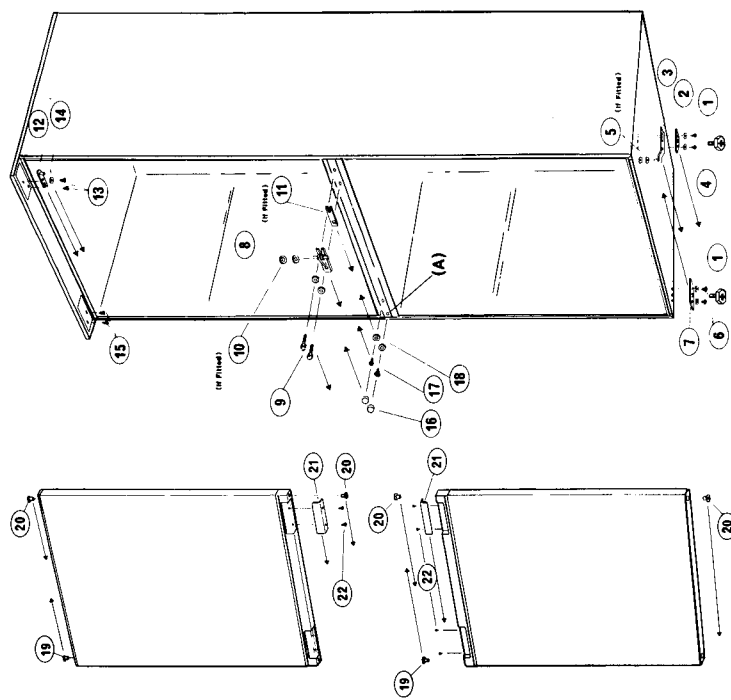
- Store bananas in the fridge compartment.
- Store melon in the fridge compartment. It can be chilled for short periods as long as it is wrapped to avoid it flavouring other food.
- Wash eggs as this removes their natural protective film. Wipe them instead.
- Use eggs straight from the fridge compartment, especially when making cakes or mayonnaise. Allow them to reach room temperature before use.
- Leave the door open for long periods as this will make the fridge compartment more costly to run.
- Cover the shelves with any protective materials which may obstruct air circulation through them.
- Let anything touch the cooling plate at the back of the fridge compartment.

### Freezer compartment

- Exceed the maximum freezing loads when freezing fresh food (see page 12).
- Put hot food into the freezer or even in the fridge compartment. Let it cool down first.
- Leave the door open for long periods as this will cause excessive ice formation and make the freezer compartment more costly to run.
- Put liquid-filled bottles or sealed cans containing carbonated liquids (fizzy drinks, etc) into the freezer compartment as they may burst.
- Try to keep frozen food which has thawed; it should be eaten within 24 hours or cooked and refrozen.
- Give children lollipops and water ices direct from the freezer compartment. The low temperature may cause 'freezer burns' on their lips.
- Leave the freezer drain plug out of the drain.



2. **Carefully** lay the fridge freezer on its back (you may need assistance for this) onto the original packing. **Take care to avoid damage to the pipework by keeping it clear of the floor.**
3. Unscrew and remove the two front feet (1).
4. Remove the clamping plate (2) and bottom hinge (3) by unscrewing the two screws (4). Make sure that if any packing washers (5) are fitted they are left on the hinge pin.
5. Remove the bottom screws (6), washers and plate (7) and fit them on the opposite side of the cabinet, making sure the hole in the cabinet for the foot is not covered over.
6. Remove the bottom door, gently pulling it downwards until clear of the centre hinge.
7. Remove the centre hinge (8) by unscrewing the two bolts (9). Keep any packing washers (10) and any packing pieces (11), if fitted.
8. Remove the top door, gently pulling it downwards until clear of the top hinge.
9. Remove the top hinge (12) by unscrewing the two screws (13) – replace the screws (13) but not the washer (14). Make sure the screw heads do not protrude below the recess.



10. Remove the two screws (15) in the opposite recess and use them to fit the top hinge (12) with the washer (14) on top, in the recess. Tighten the screws so that they are just gripping the hinge.

11. Carefully prise off the two plastic caps (16) from the transom between the two compartments and remove the screws (17) and collars (18) underneath. Refit the collars, screws and caps on the opposite side of the transom.

12. Before refitting the doors, the plugs (19) and hinge bushes (20) at the top and bottom of both doors must be swapped over. Prise them out of their locations taking care not to mark the adjacent surfaces. Reposition them on the opposite side of each door.

13. Reposition the door handle inserts (21) on the opposite side of each door. To do this, remove the screws (22) and swap over the inserts. Refit the screws.

14. Refit the top door by laying it on the cabinet and, sliding it upwards, locate the top hinge bush on the top hinge pin. If necessary, adjust the position of the top hinge so the door fits evenly.

15. Fit one of the two bolts (9) into the outermost hole (A) on the opposite side and screw halfway in. Then fit the pin of the centre hinge (8) into the hinge bush (20) at the bottom of the top door, with all the original packing washers (10) if fitted, on the pin, and the slot in the hinge engaging the bolt.

16. Put any packing pieces (11) that may have been originally fitted between the centre hinge and the cabinet and screw the hinge to the cabinet with the two bolts (9).

17. Refit the bottom door by laying it on the cabinet and, sliding it upwards, locate the top hinge bush on the centre hinge pin.

18. With all the packing washers (5) that may have been originally fitted retained on the pin, fit the bottom hinge pin (3) into the bottom hinge bush (20). Adjust as necessary so the door fits evenly.

19. The bottom hinge can now be secured to the cabinet using the clamping plate (2) and two screws (4). The clamping plate should be fitted with the straight side facing the outside edge of the cabinet and the large hole towards the rear of the cabinet.

20. Replace both adjustable front feet (1) setting them approximately 35 mm (1 $\frac{3}{8}$ ") from the bottom of the cabinet.

21. Carefully stand the fridge freezer up (you may need assistance for this) and put it where you have decided to locate it. Ensure it is standing correctly by adjusting the front feet until all four feet are in firm contact with the floor.

22. Check the doors open and close easily. **Ensure the door seals do not bind on the hinge side and that there are no gaps allowing air into the cabinet.** Adjust the hinges if necessary.

23. Tighten the hinge screws.

24. Finally put back all the loose fittings inside the fridge freezer.

## Do's and Don'ts

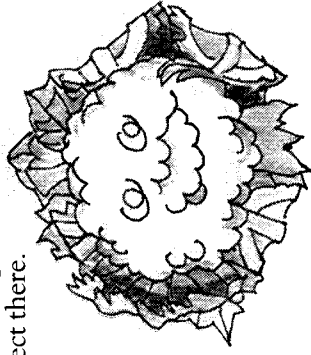
### DO

#### Fridge compartment

- Take off any unusable leaves on vegetables and wipe off any soil.
- Leave lettuce, cabbage, parsley and cauliflower on the stem.
- Wrap cheese tightly in cling film excluding as much air as possible. For best results take out of the fridge compartment an hour before eating.
- Wrap raw meat and poultry loosely in polythene or aluminium foil. This prevents drying.

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- Wrap fish and offal in polythene bags
- Wrap foods which have a strong odour or can dry out in polythene bags, aluminium foil or place in airtight containers.
- Wrap bread well to keep it fresh.
- Chill white wines, beer, lager and mineral water before serving.
- Clean the Drink Chiller regularly to avoid the build-up of sugar which can block the tap.
- Make sure the gutter at the back of the fridge compartment is always clear. Remove any particles of food which may collect there.



#### Freezer compartment

• Always choose high quality fresh food and be sure it is thoroughly clean before you freeze it.

• Prepare fresh food for freezing in small portions to ensure rapid freezing.

• Remember lean foods last longer than fat foods and salt will reduce storage life.

• Wrap all foods in aluminium foil or polythene bags and make sure any air is excluded. Keep the door shut when freezing fresh food.

• Wrap frozen food when you buy it and put it into the freezer compartment as soon as possible.

• Empty and refill the Ice Service periodically to ensure freshness.

• Store commercially frozen food in accordance with the instructions given on the packets that you buy.

• Defrost the freezer compartment before the ice becomes thick (see pages 15 and 16).



# Getting your Fridge Freezer ready for use

Before using your fridge freezer for the first time the interior, including the door, and all removable parts should be wiped out. Use a damp cloth wrung out in either a solution of one teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda to one pint of water or Milton diluted according to the manufacturer's instructions.

**WARNING:** Never use any household cleaner or detergent, abrasive powders or wax polish. These not only damage the surfaces, they also leave a smell in the fridge freezer.

## Final check

Before you start using the fridge freezer, check that

1. it is thoroughly dry inside,
2. air can circulate freely,
3. the feet have been adjusted, ie. all four are firmly on the ground.

## Starting

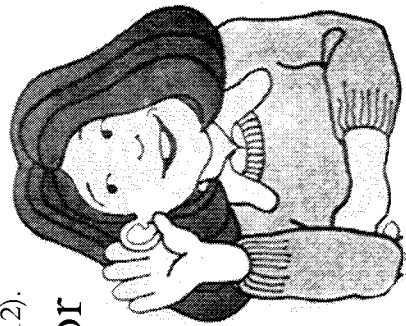
Insert the plug into the wall socket and switch on the supply. Open the fridge compartment door and the light will come on. There is a control dial on the right hand side of the interior. Turning the dial clockwise from 'O' (off) will start the fridge compartment working. You will hear a noise as the compressor starts up.

If you are going to store already frozen food allow at least two hours for the freezer compartment to reach the necessary storage temperature before you put in the frozen food.

If you are going to freeze fresh food, set the control dial in the fridge compartment to '7' or colder and **wait at least three hours** before putting in your fresh food to be frozen. Do not put more than 4.0kg (8.8lb) of fresh food to be frozen in the freezer compartment (see page 12).

## Running-in the compressor

Your fridge freezer is operated by a compressor which switches on and off in order to maintain the fridge freezer's temperature. The compressor is a precision piece of machinery and, like a car engine, requires a running-in period of up to 2 months. During this time the compressor has to work a little harder and this may result in more noise than usual.



The freezer compartment will store up to 20kg (44lb) of frozen food. This figure is based on an average density of 0.32kg of mixed food per litre of net storage volume (20lb per cubic foot). In the case of meat it will take appreciably more.

Generally speaking long-term storage means up to 3 months, but this will vary with the nature of the packaged food, so always follow the manufacturer's recommended storage time given on the packet. For storing home frozen fresh food refer to the pictorial guide on the door liner or the separate booklet on freezing fresh foods.

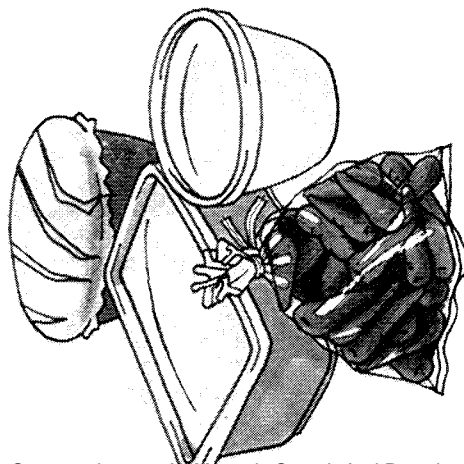
If there is a power failure **do not open the freezer compartment door**. Frozen food should not be affected if the failure is less than 20 hours. If the failure is longer then the food should be checked and either eaten immediately or cooked and then refrozen.

## Freezing fresh foods

### Maximum freezing loads

You can freeze up to 4kg (8.8lb) of fresh or cooked food in any 24 hours. If you are freezing this amount, turn the control dial in the fridge compartment to 7. Put the fresh food into the freezer compartment with as much food as possible in contact with the floor. When freezing is completed, turn the control dial in the fridge compartment back to its normal position.

You may find water droplets forming on the outside of the cabinet whilst freezing fresh foods. Do not worry as they will disappear when freezing is over and the control dial has been returned to its normal position.



## The Ice Service

The two ice trays in the ice service can be used to make ice cubes and the container underneath used to store them. Very handy if you're giving a party. When filling the ice trays always keep the water below the lip of the individual compartments. To empty the trays invert them over the container and twist along the tray's length until the cubes fall out.

# Controlling the Temperature

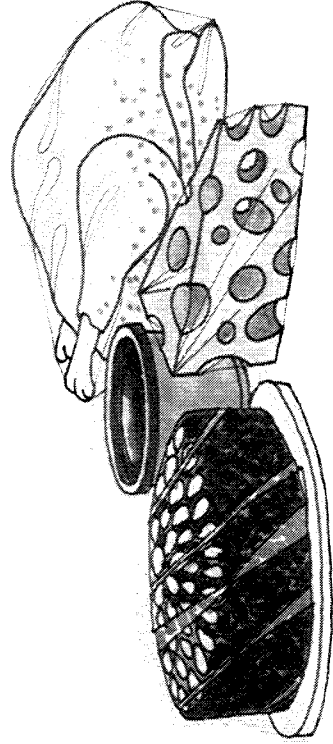
The control dial, on the right-hand side of the fridge compartment interior, controls the temperature inside the fridge compartment and maintains the freezer compartment at the correct temperature. It is marked 'O' (off), 1, 2, 3 .... 9.

Which setting is selected will depend on where the fridge freezer is located, how often you open the door and the room temperature.

A control setting of 4-5 is usually suitable, but if you find the interior of the fridge compartment is too warm turn the control to a colder setting (higher number). Similarly, if you find the interior is too cold turn the control to a warmer setting (lower number). With a suitable fridge compartment temperature the freezer compartment will automatically be maintained at the correct temperature necessary for **\*\*\*\*** frozen food storage (see Storing Food in your freezer compartment – page 11).

If the room is cold or humid, water droplets may form on the outside of the fridge freezer. If this happens do not worry as they will disappear when conditions return to normal. Turning the control dial inside the fridge compartment to a lower number will also help to get rid of them.

In the summer months, or in conditions giving high temperatures around the fridge freezer the compressor has to work harder and run for longer periods. This is quite normal. Conversely, during cold weather the compressor will run for much shorter periods.



# Storing food

## Storing food in the fridge compartment

You can store most fresh foods in the fridge compartment. Recommended maximum storage times are given in the table opposite.

		Days
<b>Raw fresh meat</b>	joints, steaks, chops	3-5
	offal (liver, kidney etc) minced meat, sausages	2
<b>Cooked meat</b>	including made-up dishes and left-overs	2-3
<b>Poultry</b>	fresh whole (store giblets separately)	2-3
	giblets	2
<b>Fish</b>	cooked	2-3
	raw	1-2
<b>Bacon</b>	cooked	2-3
		7-10
<b>Milk, cream, salad; vegetables</b>		3-4
		Weeks

<b>Butter, margarine and cooking fats</b>		3-4
<b>Cheese</b>	hard	3-4
	cream	1
<b>Eggs</b>		2

## The Drink Chiller

The drink chiller, on the left-hand side of one of the shelves inside the fridge compartment, holds 5 litres (1.1 gallons).

To remove the chiller for filling slide it forwards off the shelf. There is a graduated scale on the side of the chiller to help you dilute drinks. Slide the chiller fully back onto the shelf when it is filled.

To pour a drink, push a glass up against the arms of the dispensing tap. To close the tap release the pressure on the arms.

## Storing food in the freezer compartment

Your freezer compartment carries the **\*\*\*\*** symbol which indicates that it is suitable for the long-term storage of commercially frozen foods and also can be used to freeze and store fresh food.

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