

How to operate a POPCORN Machine

Operational Tips

Switches

1. Light & Warmer Switch – turns on heat lamp and optional strip heater located under corn pan in bottom of unit;
2. Kettle Motor Switch – turns on motor that drives kettle agitator shaft;
3. Kettle Heat Switch – turns on heating element inside Kettle;

(Note: Do Not Cover Air Vent Holes – Motor air intake and exhaust holes on top of machine must be clear of any obstruction)



TO POP:

1. Turn on all three switches: Kettle Heat Switch, Kettle Motor Switch and Light Switch;
2. Let Kettle warm up for approx. 5 minutes. Pour in oil and allow to warm up. You can test pop a few kernals to make sure oil is hot. When kernals pop, pour in balance of popping corn/seasoning mixture;
3. When sound of popping corn slows down, rotate the handle "down" to empty all contents of kettle into machine. Return kettle to upright position making sure gears mesh with drive gear.
4. Repeat cycle, first putting in oil, then placing un-popped popcorn in kettle.
5. Turn off the Kettle heat switch on the final batch when the popcorn breaks over the lid of the kettle to eliminate smoke and odor;
6. Turn the Kettle Motor Switch off after the last batch of popcorn has popped;
7. Wipe exterior of kettle with heavy cloth after cooling of kettle to prevent burn or stain from oil drippings;
8. Turn off the light switch when all popcorn has been distributed

TO CLEAN:

1. Allow kettle to cool until warm enough to handle;
2. Unplug kettle and remove from machine;
3. Wipe kettle, kettle lids, crossbar. BEWARE! Never immerse kettle in water!!!
4. Remove popped corn from bottom of machine;
5. Remove the "Old Maid" pan, empty unpopped popcorn, wipe clean interior;
6. Wipe exterior plexiglass off with glass cleaner;
7. Return the machine clean to Taylor Rental Center to avoid cleaning charges

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