

Cuisinart®

INSTRUCTION AND
RECIPE BOOKLET



SMARTPOWER™ 7-Speed Electronic Blender

SPB-7 Series

For your safety and continued enjoyment of this product, always read the instruction book carefully before using.

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

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

1. **READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING.**
2. To protect against the risk of electrical shock, do not put motor base of blender in water or other liquid.
3. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
4. Unplug from outlet when not in use, before putting on or taking off parts, and before cleaning or removing contents from blender jar. **Never put hands into the blender jar or container, or handle the blades with appliance plugged in.**
5. Avoid contact with moving parts.
6. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug or after the appliance malfunctions, or is dropped or damaged in any manner. Return appliance to nearest Cuisinart service facility for examination, repair, and/or mechanical or electrical adjustment.
7. The use of attachments, including canning or ordinary jars, not recommended or sold by Cuisinart may cause fire, electrical shock, or risk of injury to persons.
8. Do not use outdoors.
9. Do not let cord hang over edge of counter or table or touch hot surfaces.
10. **Keep hands and utensils out of jar while blending, to reduce the risk of severe injury to persons or damage to blender itself.** A rubber or plastic spatula may be used but must be used only when the blender is turned OFF.
11. When blender is in ON mode, and LED lights are flashing, do not touch cutting assembly, interfere with blade movement, or remove blender jar cover. Accidentally touching a speed button may activate the blender.
12. **BLADES ARE SHARP. HANDLE CAREFULLY.**
13. To reduce the risk of injury, never place cutting assembly on base unless the blender jar is properly attached.

14. Always operate blender with the cover in place.
15. Never leave your blender unattended while running.
16. When blending HOT liquids, remove measured pour lid (center piece of cover) to allow steam to escape.
17. Twist on locking ring firmly. Injury can result if moving blades accidentally become exposed.
18. Do not use an extension cord with this unit. Doing so may result in fire, electrical shock, or personal injury.
Regarding your cord set: A longer cord has been provided so that you will have flexibility in positioning your Cuisinart® SmartPower™ Blender near an electrical outlet. Exercise care when using the longer cord, to avoid entangling or tripping over the cord. The longer cord should be arranged so that it will not drape over the counter or tabletop, where it can be pulled on by children or tripped over. Excess cord should be stored in the cord storage area at the back of the blender base to avoid injury caused by the longer cord.
19. Wash the blender jar, cutting assembly, locking ring, and cover before first use.
20. **WARNING: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF ELECTRICAL SHOCK OR FIRE, DO NOT REMOVE THE BASE PANEL. NO USER SERVICEABLE PARTS ARE INSIDE. REPAIR SHOULD BE DONE ONLY BY AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL.**
21. **WARNING: FLASHING LIGHT INDICATES READY TO OPERATE. DO NOT TOUCH BLADES.**

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY

NOTICE:

This appliance has a polarized plug (one prong is wider than the other). To reduce the risk of electric shock, this plug will fit into a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully into the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Do not modify the plug in any way.

UNPACKING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Place the gift box containing your Cuisinart® SmartPower™ 7-Speed Electronic Blender on a flat, sturdy surface before unpacking.
2. Remove instruction booklet and other printed materials from top of corrugated insert. Next remove the top corrugated insert.
3. Carefully lift blender base from box and set aside.
4. Remove the lower corrugated insert containing the blender jar assembly. Be careful not to tip the jar when removing.
5. Remove any additional literature from the box.

To assemble the blender, follow the “Assembly” instructions on page 4 of this instruction booklet. Replace all corrugated inserts in the box and save the box for repackaging.

Before using for the first time: Wash all parts according to the “Cleaning and Maintenance” section on page 6 of this booklet to remove any dust or residue.

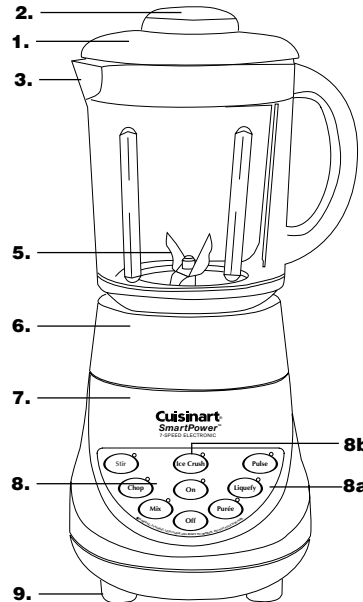
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INTRODUCTION

The life of the party, the SmartPower™ Electronic Blender is engineered with seven speeds that crush ice, including one speed just for ice crushing. The results are delicious, professional-quality frozen drinks. The SmartPower™ Electronic Blender purées, blends, mixes, stirs, liquifies, and more. No need to worry about spills or messy cleanups, either. The SmartPower™ Electronic Blender comes with a dripless pour spout and touchpads that wipe clean in an instant. Like all Cuisinart® appliances, the SmartPower™ Electronic Blender was designed to bring you years of enjoyment, and it is backed by a three-year limited warranty.

FEATURES AND BENEFITS



Note: Blades are sharp... handle carefully.

- 1. Cover**
Just press on. Tightfitting seal resists leakage.
- 2. 2-oz. Measured Pour Lid**
Allows you to measure and add ingredients without removing the cover.
- 3. 40-oz. Glass Jar with Dripless Pour Spout**
Has a unique, sturdy, widemouth design and a dripless pour spout for no-mess pouring.
- 4. Leak-proof Rubber Gasket (not shown)**
Holds the glass jar snugly in position for safe operation.
- 5. High-quality Cutting Assembly with Patented Stainless Steel Blades**
Is strong enough for all blender tasks, including tough jobs, from ice crushing to chopping delicate herbs.

6. Locking Ring

Is self-aligning so that the glass blender jar slides easily into position.

7. Heavy-duty Motor Base

Is so sturdy and stable, it will not “walk” on your counter – even during ice crushing!

8. 7-Speed Touchpad Control with Indicator Lights

Is easy to use, read and clean. The red LED lights clearly indicate what blender speed you are using.

8a. Pulse at Any Speed Button

Allows you to pulse at any speed from high to low, so you can blend ingredients only as much as needed.

8b. Ice Crush Button

This button is preset to the best speed for crushed ice.

9. Slip-proof Feet

Prevent movement during use and prevent damaging marks on countertops or tables.

10. Cord Storage (not shown)

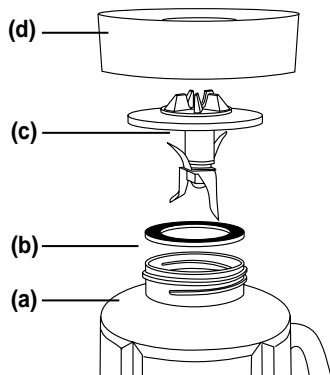
Keeps countertop safe and neat by conveniently storing excess cord.

4. Secure the rubber gasket and cutting assembly into position by placing the smaller opening of the locking ring (d) on top of the cutting assembly. Engage threads by twisting the locking ring clockwise until tightened. Make sure locking ring is tightly fastened to blender jar. Once assembled, turn the blender jar right-side up.
5. Push the cover onto the top of the blender jar. Push the measured pour lid into the cover.
6. Place the blender jar on the motor base so that the jar markings are facing you and the handle is positioned to one side.
7. Plug in power cord. Your blender is now ready to be used.

HELPFUL REMINDERS

- Once the cover is in position, additional ingredients can be added during blending by simply lifting the measured pour lid, adding ingredients, and replacing the measured pour lid.
- Cover should always be in place while the unit is on.
- Warning: Do not place blender jar onto base while motor is running.
- Do not twist locking ring from blender jar when removing blender jar from base. Simply lift blender jar from motor base.
- Boiling liquid or solid frozen foods (with the exception of ice cubes or 1/2 inch [1.3 cm] pieces of frozen fruit) should never be placed in the blender jar.
- Do not place ice, frozen foods or very cold liquids into a blender jar which has come directly from a hot dishwasher.
- Do not place very hot liquids or foods into a blender jar which has come directly from the freezer. Boiling liquids should cool for 5 minutes before being placed in blender jar.
- Follow “Cleaning and Maintenance” instructions on page 6, prior to your first use.

USE AND CARE



ASSEMBLY

To use your Cuisinart® SmartPower™ Electronic Blender, begin by assembling the blender jar.

1. Turn the blender jar (a) upside down, and place it flat on a sturdy surface.
2. Position the rubber gasket (b) on the round opening on the bottom of the blender jar.
3. Turn the cutting assembly (c) upside down, and place the blade end in the blender jar opening.

Note: Blades are sharp... handle carefully.

OPERATION

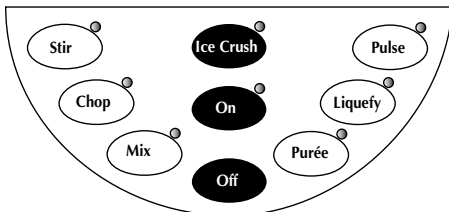
1. Place the motor base of your Cuisinart® SmartPower™ Electronic Blender onto a flat, sturdy surface. It is important that the surface be clean and dry. Assemble the blender by following the assembly instructions. Once the jar is assembled and is in position on the motor base, plug the Cuisinart® SmartPower™ Electronic Blender into an electrical outlet.
2. Add all necessary ingredients to the blender jar, and replace the cover. You may add more ingredients by lifting the

measured pour lid and dropping ingredients through the fill area. Replace the measured pour lid after adding ingredients. **Do not place hands into blender jar with blender plugged in.**

Note: Add liquid ingredients first, then follow with solid ingredients. This will provide more consistent blending and prevent unnecessary stress on the motor.

Note: To remove blender jar cover, lift edge of cover upwards. Lifting measured pour lid will not remove cover.

- 3. TO START BLENDING:** press the "On" button. The red "On" LED light will flash, indicating that the blender is turned on but no speed has been selected.
- 4. PRESS THE DESIRED BLENDING SPEED:** both the "On" indicator light and the activated speed indicator light will glow. The blender will now be functioning at the desired speed. It is possible to switch speeds without pressing the "Off" button, by simply pushing the next desired speed button.



- 5. TO STOP THE BLENDING PROCESS:** re-press the activated speed button. The blending process will stop. The red "On" indicator light will continue to flash to let you know that the blender is still on and can be reactivated by pushing the desired speed button. The blender can be completely deactivated and stopped at any speed by pushing the "Off" button. You will need to press the "On" button again to continue blending.
- 6. PULSE MODE:** while the blender is turned on, you can create a burst of power for quick, efficient blending, by activating the pulse function. To do so, first push the "Pulse" button, which will cause the pulse indicator light to flash. Next, push and

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

To Activate Blender
To Begin Blending
To Change Speeds
To Pulse

Press "On"- The blender is in on mode.
Press desired speed button.
Press desired speed button.
In "On" mode press "Pulse", then press and release desired speed button as needed.

To Crush Ice

In "On" mode, press and release "Ice crush" button as needed.

To Stop Blending
(and Deactivate Blender)

Press "Off" button.

To Stop Blending
(in Pulse or Ice crush Mode)
To Stop Blending in Stir,
Chop, Mix, Purée, or Liquefy
Mode

Release button.

Press speed button again. This will return the blender to "On" mode. Press "Off" button to turn blender off.

SPEED SELECTION GUIDE

Refer to this guide to choose the best speed for your desired result.

Ingredient/Recipe	Speed	Result
Reconstituting frozen orange juice concentrate	Stir	Smooth and full-bodied
Mayonnaise	Stir	Thick and creamy
Salad dressings	Stir	Desired consistency
Nuts	Chop	Coarse to fine
Whipping cream	Mix	Thick topping
Bread Crumbs	Mix	Uniformly fine
Grating citrus zest	Purée	Uniformly fine
Milk shakes	Purée	Smooth and creamy
Baby food	Purée	Smooth and creamy
Health drinks	Liquefy	Smooth and creamy
Frozen cocktails	Liquefy	Thick and slushy
Grinding hard cheese	Liquefy	Coarse to fine
Spices	Liquefy	Coarse to fine
Ice	Ice Crush	Snowy

release the desired speed button. Repeat as desired. You determine the duration of each pulse. While pulsing, all indicator lights (the on, the pulse, and the desired speed) will glow. The pulse function can be used to break apart larger pieces of food or to control the texture of food when chopping. The pulse function is also effective in starting the blending process when you do not want continuous power, or when processing items which do not require an extended amount of blending.

7. **TO CRUSH ICE:** the SmartPower™ Electronic Blender motor is strong enough to crush ice without liquid at any speed; however, for your convenience, we have preset the best speed for ice crushing. To give you greater control, the ice crush function automatically operates as a pulse function. To crush ice, place ice cubes in the blender jar, and place the cover and the measured pour lid on the blender jar. Press the “On” button. Press the “Ice Crush” button in short pulses until ice is crushed to desired consistency. See the "Recipe Tips" section on page 7 for more details.
8. **TO DISLODGE FOOD:** use a rubber or plastic spatula to help remove food lodged around the cutting assembly. **DO NOT USE SPATULA UNTIL YOU HAVE TURNED THE BLENDER OFF.** Replace the cover and measured pour lid and continue blending, if necessary. Make sure spatula is not inside the blender jar before blending.
9. **WHEN FINISHED BLENDING:** press the “Off” button and unplug the blender from the electrical outlet. Never remove the blender jar from the motor base until the blender is off. Do not twist locking ring from blender jar when removing jar from motor base. Simply lift blender jar from motor base. **Do not place hands into blender jar with blender plugged in.**

CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

Always unplug your Cuisinart® SmartPower™ Electronic Blender from the electrical outlet before cleaning. The blender is made of corrosion-resistant parts which are easy to clean. Before first use and after every use, clean each part thoroughly. Periodically check all parts before reassembly. If any part is damaged or blender jar is chipped or cracked, **DO NOT USE BLENDER.**

Remove the blender jar from the motor base by lifting straight up and away. Twist off the locking ring by turning counterclockwise. Remove the cutting assembly and rubber gasket. Wash in warm soapy water, rinse, and dry thoroughly.

Place the locking ring in the upper rack of the dishwasher or wash in warm water.

CAUTION: Handle the cutting assembly carefully. It is SHARP and may cause injury. Do not attempt to remove blades from cutting assembly.

Remove the blender jar cover and the measured pour lid. Wash in warm, soapy water; rinse and dry thoroughly, or place in upper rack of dishwasher. The blender jar must be washed in warm soapy water and rinsed and dried thoroughly. The blender jar can also be placed upside down in dishwasher.

Finally, wipe the motor base clean with a damp cloth to remove any residue, and dry thoroughly. Never submerge the motor base in water or other liquid, or place in a dishwasher.

Tip: You may wish to clean your blender cutting assembly as follows: Squirt a small amount of dishwashing liquid into assembled blender jar and fill halfway with warm water. Run on STIR for 15 seconds. Repeat, using clean tap water. Empty blender jar and carefully disassemble parts. Wash cutting assembly, gasket and locking ring in warm, soapy water. Rinse and dry all parts thoroughly.

DOs and DON'Ts WHEN USING YOUR BLENDER

Do:

- Make sure the electrical outlet is rated at the same voltage as that stated on the bottom of the blender motor base.
- Always use the blender on a clean, sturdy and dry surface.
- **Always add liquid ingredients to the blender jar first, then add remaining ingredients. This will ensure that ingredients are uniformly mixed.**
- Cut most foods into cubes approximately 1/2 inch (1.3 cm) to 1 inch (2.5 cm) to achieve a more uniform result. Cut all cheeses into pieces no larger than 1/2 inch (1.3 cm).
- Use the measured pour lid to measure liquid ingredients such as alcohol. Replace measured pour lid after ingredients have been added.
- Use a rubber or plastic spatula as needed, only when the blender is turned off. Never use metal utensils, as damage may occur to the blender jar or cutting assembly.
- Place cover on firmly. Always operate the blender with the cover on.
- Make sure locking ring is tightly attached to blender jar.
- Always remove locking ring, cutting assembly, and rubber gasket before cleaning.
- When scraping the blender jar with a spatula, remove the food from the sides of the blender jar and place food in the center of the blender jar, over the cutting assembly.
- When chopping fresh herbs, garlic, onion, zest, bread crumbs, nuts, spices, etc, make sure the blender jar and cutting assembly are completely dry.
- If food tends to stick to the sides of the blender jar when blending, pulse in short bursts.
- Pulses should be short bursts. Space the pulses so the blades stop rotating between pulses.

Don't:

- Don't store food or liquids in your blender jar.
- Don't place cutting assembly and locking ring onto motor base without the blender jar attached.
- Blender will not mash potatoes, knead heavy dough, or beat egg whites.
- Don't remove blender jar while unit is on. Keep the blender jar cover on the blender jar while blending.
- Don't twist locking ring from blender jar when removing blender jar from motor base. Simply lift blender jar from motor base.
- Don't overprocess foods. Blender will achieve most desired results in seconds, not minutes.
- Don't overload blender. If the motor stalls, turn the blender off immediately, unplug the unit, and remove a portion of the food, then continue.
- Don't use any utensil inside the blender jar while the motor is on.
- Don't use any container or accessories not recommended by Cuisinart. Doing so may result in injury.
- Don't place hands inside the blender jar when blender is plugged in.
- Don't add boiling liquids or frozen foods (except ice cubes or 1/2 inch pieces of frozen fruit) to glass blender jar. Boiling liquids should cool for 5 minutes before being placed in blender jar.

RECIPE TIPS

The simple recipes that follow include some old Cuisinart favorites as well as some creative combinations that are sure to please your friends and family. Thanks to the superior ice crushing power of the SmartPower™ Electronic Blender, you'll also be able to make delicious frozen drinks.

- **Chopping Nuts:** Pulse 1/2 cup of nuts (shells removed) on chop 4-5 times. Turn blender off; scrape blender jar with spatula. Turn blender on and pulse on chop 2-3 times. Turn blender off. Pulse fewer times for more coarsely chopped results. For best results, process no more than 1 cup at a time.
- **Bread, Cookie or Cracker Crumbs:** For best results, use day-old bread (drier bread works best). Break bread slices into 1/2 inch pieces, and process no more than 1 cup of pieces at a time on mix for 5-10 seconds. Crackers and cookies should also be broken into 1/2 inch pieces; process 1 cup at a time on mix for 10-15 seconds. Turn blender off.
- **Crushing Ice:** Add up to 10 large ice cubes to blender jar. Press the "Ice Crush" button, using short bursts, 10 times, or until cubes are the consistency of snow. Turn blender off. Pulse fewer times if coarsely chopped ice is desired.
- **Grating Citrus Zest:** For best results, blender jar and cutting assembly must be clean and dry. Remove zest from fruit in strips (using vegetable peeler). Use no more than 8 strips at a time (zest of one medium lemon). Cut strips in half. Add strips and 1 teaspoon sugar (from recipe) to the blender jar. Blend on Liquefy for 15-20 seconds. Turn blender off.
- **Baby Food:** Combine 1/2 cup cooked vegetables, fruit or meat with 3 tablespoons liquid (water, milk or fruit juice) in the blender jar. Blend on purée for 15-20 seconds. Add more liquid if necessary and process again.
- **Grinding Hard Cheese:** Cut cheese into 1/2 inch pieces. Blend on Liquefy for 30 seconds. Turn blender off. For best results, grind no more than 3 ounces of cheese at a time.
- **Grinding Spices:** For best results, blender jar and cutting assembly must be clean and dry. Add 1/4-1/2 cup of spices/seeds/peppercorns to blender jar. Blend on Liquefy for 30-35 seconds. Turn blender off.
- **Whipping Cream:** Whip 1 cup of cream (whipping or heavy cream) at a time. Blend on Mix, and process for 45-60 seconds or until creamy and smooth. If making sweetened cream, add sugar after 10 seconds. Turn blender off. Makes about 1 cup.
- **Puréeing Sun-Dried Tomatoes:** Rehydrate 1 ounce of tomatoes in 1 cup boiling water. Allow to sit for 10 minutes or until softened. Add tomatoes and water to blender jar. Cover and pulse on Liquefy 5 times; then run continuously on Liquefy for 15-20 seconds. Turn blender off. Drain in fine strainer if desired. Makes about 1/2 cup of puréed tomatoes.

THREE-YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

This warranty supersedes all previous warranties on Cuisinart® SmartPower™ 7-Speed Series Electronic Blenders. This warranty is available to consumers only. You are a consumer if you own a Cuisinart® SmartPower™ 7-Speed Series Electronic Blender that was purchased at retail for personal, family, or household use. Except as otherwise required under applicable state law, this warranty is not available to retailers or other commercial purchasers or owners. We warrant that your Cuisinart® SmartPower™ 7-Speed Series Electronic Blender will be free of defects in material or workmanship under normal home use for three years from the date of original purchase. We suggest that you complete and return the enclosed warranty registration card promptly to facilitate verification of the date of original purchase. However, return of the warranty registration card is not a condition of these warranties. If your blender should prove to be defective within the warranty period, we will repair it (or, if we think it necessary, replace it) without charge to you. To obtain warranty service, please call our Consumer Service Center toll-free at 1-800-726-0190, or write to:

Cuisinart
150 Milford Road
East Windsor, NJ 08520

To facilitate the speed and accuracy of your return, please also enclose \$10.00 for shipping and handling of the product. Please also be sure to include a return address, daytime phone number, description of the product defect, product serial number (stamped on bottom of product base), and any other information pertinent to the product's return. Please pay by check or money order. (California residents need only supply proof of purchase and should call 1-800-720-0190 for shipping instructions). Your Cuisinart® SmartPower™ 7-Speed Series Electronic Blender has been manufactured to strict specifications and has been designed for use with the Cuisinart® SmartPower™ 7-Speed Series Electronic Blender accessories and replacement parts. These warranties expressly exclude any defects or damages caused by accessories, replacement parts, or other repair service other than those that have been authorized by Cuisinart. These warranties do not cover any damage caused by accident, misuse, shipment, or other than ordinary household use. These warranties exclude all incidental or consequential damages. Some states do not allow the exclusion of or limi-

tation of incidental or consequential damages, so the foregoing limitation may not apply to you.

CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS ONLY

California law provides that for In-Warranty Service, California residents have the option of returning a nonconforming product (A) to the store where it was purchased or (B) to another retail store which sells Cuisinart® products of the same type. The retail store shall then, at its choice, either repair the product, refer the consumer to an independent repair facility, replace the product, or refund the purchase price less the amount directly attributable to the consumer's prior usage of the product. If either of the above two options does not result in the appropriate relief to the consumer, the consumer may then take the product to an independent repair facility if service or repair can be economically accomplished.* Cuisinart and not the consumer will be responsible for the reasonable cost of such service, repair, replacement, or refund for nonconforming products under warranty.

California residents may also, at their preference, return nonconforming products directly to Cuisinart for repair or, if necessary, replacement by calling our Consumer Service Center toll-free at 800-726-0190. Cuisinart will be responsible for the cost of the repair, replacement, and shipping and handling for such nonconforming products under warranty.

BEFORE RETURNING YOUR CUISINART® PRODUCT

If you are experiencing problems with your Cuisinart® product, we suggest that you call our Consumer Service Center at 1-800-726-0190 before returning the product for servicing. Often, our Consumer Service Representatives can help solve the problem without having the product serviced. If servicing is needed, a Representative can confirm whether the product is under warranty and direct you to the nearest service location.

*** Important:** If the nonconforming product is to be serviced by someone other than Cuisinart's Authorized Service Center, please remind the servicer to call our Consumer Service Center at 1-800-726-0190 to ensure that the problem is properly diagnosed, the product is serviced with the correct parts, and to ensure that the product is still under warranty.