



Designer 4 Slice Toaster

Model Number: T4SLKS-WW / T4SLKS-PB / T4SLKS-AR

INSTRUCTION MANUAL



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Warranty Details

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The product is guaranteed to be free from defects in workmanship and parts for a period of 12 months from the date of purchase. Defects that occur within this warranty period, under normal use and care, will be repaired, replaced or refunded at our discretion. The benefits conferred by this warranty are in addition to all rights and remedies in respect of the product that the consumer has under the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 and similar state and territory laws.

Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law. You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and to compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to a major failure.



General Safety Instructions

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS READ CAREFULLY AND KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

Read this manual thoroughly before first use, even if you are familiar with this type of product. The safety precautions enclosed herein reduce the risk of fire, electric shock and injury when correctly adhered to. Keep the manual in a safe place for future reference, along with the completed warranty card, purchase receipt and carton. If applicable, pass these instructions on to the next owner of the appliance.

Always follow basic safety precautions and accident prevention measures when using an electrical appliance, including the following:

Electrical safety and cord handling

- **Voltage:** Make sure your outlet voltage and circuit frequency correspond to the voltage stated on the appliance rating label and your outlet socket is properly earthed. If this is not the case, do not use the toaster.
- **Water:** To protect against fire and electric shock, do not immerse the cord, plug or any non-removable parts of this toaster in water or other liquid, or expose the electrical connections to water. Ensure your hands are dry before handling the plug or switching on the appliance.

WARNING: If the toaster falls or accidentally becomes immersed in water, unplug it from the wall outlet immediately. Do not reach into the water!

- **Damage:** Check the power cord regularly for visible damage. If the cord is damaged, it must be replaced by the manufacturer, service agent or appropriately qualified personnel in order to avoid any hazards.
WARNING: Do not pick up or operate the appliance if the cord, plug or housing is damaged, or after it malfunctions or has been dropped or damaged in any way. In case of damage, contact the after sales support line for advice.
- **Power cord:** Do not kink, bend, strain or damage the power cord and protect it from sharp edges and heat. Do not let it touch hot surfaces. Do not let the cord hang over the edge of a table or benchtop.
- **No extension cord, no timer:** Do not use this toaster with an extension cord, plug adaptor, external timer or separate remote control system.
- **Disconnect:** Unplug the toaster from the outlet when it is not in use and before cleaning. Grip the plug when disconnecting, do not pull the cord.
- **RCD:** Unless your home is already fitted with a residual current device (safety switch), we recommend installing an RCD with a rated residual operating current not exceeding 30 mA to provide additional safety protection when using electrical appliances. See your electrician for professional advice.
- **Winding the cord:** If winding the power cord, avoid tight bends as this could damage the cord.

General Safety Instructions (Cont.)

Usage conditions and restrictions

- **Domestic use only:** This appliance is intended for indoor household use only. It is NOT suitable for commercial, industrial or trade use.
- **No outdoor use:** Do not use the appliance outdoors.
- **Intended use:** The appliance is only suitable for toasting bread products. Do not use it for anything other than its intended purpose, and only use it as described in this manual.
- **WARNING:** Do not put anything else (such as oversized food, metal foil packages or utensils) into the toasting slots. Doing so may create a fire or electric shock hazard.
- **Attachments:** The use of accessory attachments not recommended in this manual may cause electric shock, fire or personal injuries.
- **Usage restriction:** The appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
- **Children:** Supervise children to ensure they do not play with the appliance. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children. Cleaning and user maintenance shall not be made by children unless they are older than 8 years and supervised.
- **Liability:** We accept no liability for any eventual damages or personal injury caused by misuse of the product and/or failure to follow these instructions.

Safe usage

- **Before first use:** Make sure you know how to use the toaster before first use.
- **Clearances:** When using the toaster, make sure there is adequate air space above and on all sides for air circulation.
- **Work surface:** Place the toaster on a dry, stable, flat, heat-resistant surface.
- **WARNING:** DO NOT use the toaster under the following conditions:
 - * On or near a gas or electric hob, in a heated oven or near an open flame.
 - * On a soft surface (such as carpet) or where it may tip over during use.
 - * Outdoors or in areas of high humidity.
 - * Near or below materials that can ignite easily (such as curtains, drapes, wall hangings, tea towels) or underneath wall cabinets, as bread may burn and cause a fire if it is toasted for too long.
 - * In confined spaces or under overhanging furniture/structures.

General Safety Instructions (Cont.)

- **Do not cover:** Do not cover the toaster or place anything on top during use.
- **Do not** insert any objects into the appliance.
- **Smoke or fire:** Immediately unplug the appliance if fire or smoke is emitted.
- **Unattended:** Do not leave the toaster unattended when it is switched on. Disconnect it from the power supply when you are finished with it or when leaving the room.
- **Malfunction:** If this appliance begins to malfunction during use, or if fire or smoke is emitted, immediately press the "Cancel" button and unplug the cord. Do not use or attempt to repair a malfunctioning appliance. Contact our after sales support centre for advice.
- **Cleaning:** Maintain the toaster in accordance with the instructions to ensure it functions properly. Disconnect the appliance before moving and cleaning it. Allow it to cool completely before cleaning and storing.
- **Crumb tray:** To avoid the risk of fire, remove crumbs from the crumb tray after each use. Pull the crumb tray out completely, discard the crumbs and wipe it clean with a dry or damp cloth. Make sure the tray is dry and properly in place before reuse.
- **Storage:** When not in use, store your appliance and its instruction manual in a safe and dry place.



CAUTION: HOT SURFACES!

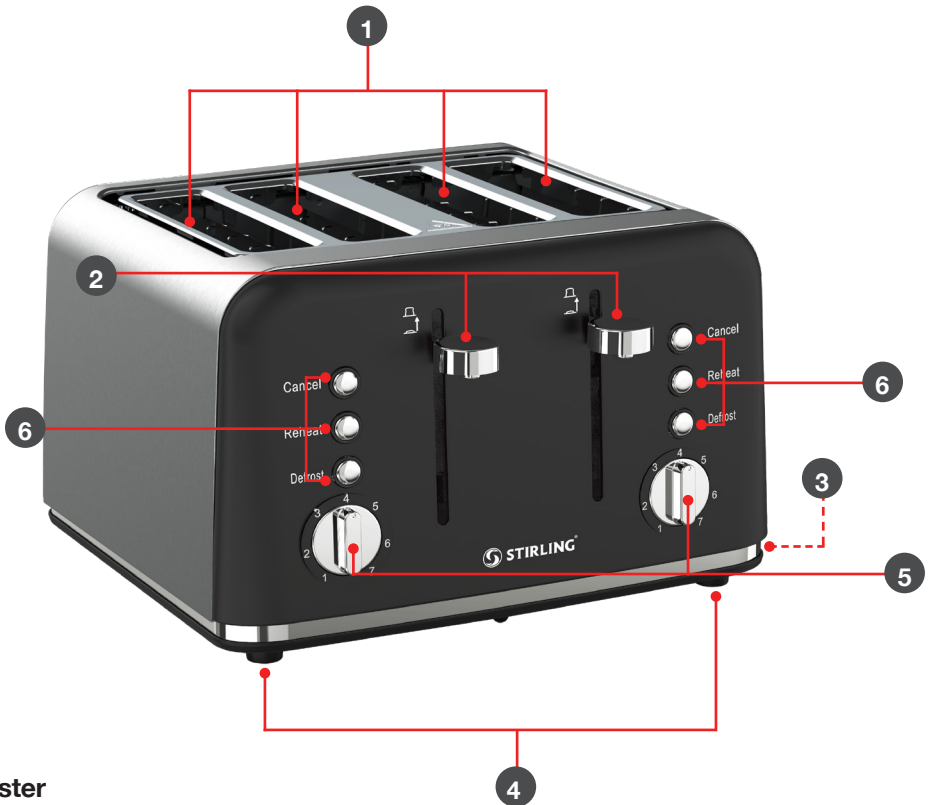
- The toaster heats up and can cause burns. The temperature of accessible surfaces, especially the toaster's metal parts, can become very hot when the appliance is operating. Do not touch hot surfaces during or immediately after use. Use handles or knobs.
- Always use oven mitts when handling hot material and allow metal parts to cool before cleaning.
- Take care when taking out hot bread slices after toasting to avoid injuries.

WARNING: ELECTRIC SHOCK HAZARD!

- Never attempt to dislodge food from inside the toaster when it is plugged into an electrical outlet. Always unplug it and let it cool first.
- Never use a knife or any other sharp metal tool to remove the bread, and do not touch the metal parts inside the toaster.

Product Overview

Scope of delivery



Toaster

- 1 Bread slots
- 2 Bread loading levers
- 3 Crumb trays (removable from the back)
- 4 Non-slip feet (4)
- 5 Browning controls
- 6 2x CANCEL, REHEAT and DEFROST buttons

Documentation (not shown):

- Instruction manual
- Quick start guide
- Warranty certificate

NOTE: Due to continued product improvement, images and illustrations in this manual may vary slightly from the product purchased. All images in this manual are for reference purposes only. Parts are not necessarily pictured to scale.

Getting Started

Before first use

- **Unpack:** This product has been packaged to protect it against transportation damage. Unpack the appliance and keep the original packaging materials in a safe place. It will help prevent any damage if the product needs to be transported in the future, and you can use it to store the appliance when it is not in use. In the event that the packaging is to be disposed of, please recycle it where possible. Plastic wrapping can be a suffocation hazard for babies and young children, so ensure all packaging materials are out of their reach. Dispose of any plastic wrapping safely.
- **Documentation:** Make sure you have read and understood all instructions and warnings in this manual. Refer to the Product Overview, opposite, to familiarise yourself with the product and identify all parts. Pay particular attention to the safety instructions on the previous pages.
- **Cord:** Unwind the power supply cord to its full length and inspect the cord and plug for damage. Inspect all other parts of the appliance for visual damage. Do not use the appliance if anything appears to be damaged or not working properly. In case of damage, contact our after sales support centre using the details at the bottom of the page.
- **Clean:** Remove any adhesive labels and wipe the outside of the toaster with a damp cloth. Make sure there is no packaging material remaining in the slots.
- **Preliminary use:** Keeping the safety instructions from the previous pages in mind, place the toaster on an appropriate surface and plug it into an easily accessible wall outlet.

Set the two browning controls to the lightest settings.

Push down the levers and let your toaster heat up without any bread. This is to ensure any remnants from transport and the manufacturing process are burnt off. Wait one minute, before repeating this process for a second time.

After a short cooling down period, your toaster is now ready for use.

FIRST USE

You may notice a slight burning smell or smoke when first using the toaster. This is no cause for concern. Ensure good ventilation and let the toaster complete a few toasting cycles until no more odour or smoke is present.

Instructions

Toasting bread

- Make sure the crumb trays are properly in place before using the toaster. They are located underneath the heating elements and can be accessed from the back of the toaster.
- Place the toaster on an even and heat-resistant surface, connect it to a properly installed wall socket and switch on power to the outlet.
- Place up to 4 slices of bread into the bread slots.
- Set the browning level with the browning control knob(s). (For two slices of toast, use one browning control knob, for four slices, use both knobs.) The higher the number, the longer the toasting time and the darker the toast.

Knob position	Browning level
1 – 2	For thinly sliced, or slightly dry bread
3 – 5	For fresh, medium thick slices of white or wholemeal bread
6 – 7	For frozen, or very thick slices. These settings are ideal for gluten free, rye, or other denser breads

- Push down the bread lever(s) completely to switch on the toaster. The lever(s) will only stay down when the toaster is connected to the power outlet and the power is switched on. The CANCEL button indicator will illuminate; press it at any time to stop toasting. **NOTE:** The toaster automatically adjusts the slot width when the bread lever is pushed down to accommodate slices of different thickness.
- When the toast is ready, the bread lever(s) move(s) up and the toaster switches off automatically. You can now remove the toast from the toaster. **NOTE:** If toast does not clear the top of the toaster, push up the bread lever to raise the food up for easy removal. **CAUTION:** Do not touch the metal parts of the toaster as they become hot during toasting.
- If toasting more than four slices of bread, allow the toaster 15 to 20 seconds to cool down before beginning the next toasting cycle so the electronically controlled thermostat can reset.
- After several toasting cycles, pull out the crumb trays and clean them.

WARNING!

If bread becomes stuck inside the toaster, unplug the toaster and let it cool before trying to remove the bread. Do not use a knife or any other sharp metal tool to do so, and do not touch the metal parts inside the toaster.

Instructions (Cont.)

Toasting frozen bread

The toaster has a special defrost setting for thawing and toasting frozen bread.

- Put your frozen bread products (slices, waffles, etc.) into the bread slots.
- Select the browning level.
- Push down the bread lever(s).
- Press the DEFROST button(s). The defrost indicator light(s) come(s) on and stay(s) illuminated during the defrosting/toasting process.

Reheating toasted bread

Use this function to reheat bread products (without toppings) that were toasted earlier and have cooled.

- Put the toasted bread slices, waffles, etc. back into the bread slots.
- Push down the bread lever(s).
- Press the REHEAT button(s). The reheat indicator light(s) come(s) on and stay(s) illuminated during the reheating process.

Indicator lights

- When the DEFROST or REHEAT buttons are pressed, the relevant indicators light up and remain illuminated until the toast cycle is complete, or until the CANCEL button is pressed.
- When the toasting lever is pressed down, the CANCEL button(s) light(s) up and remain(s) illuminated until it is pressed, or until the toast cycle is complete.

Some tips for perfect toasting

- Toasting is a combination of cooking and drying bread. As moisture levels differ from one bread to another, toasting times can vary.
- Bread products with a very uneven surface will require a higher setting. Thickly cut bread slices will take longer to toast, sometimes significantly longer, since more moisture must be evaporated before toasting can occur.
- When toasting raisin or other fruit bread, remove loose raisins from the surface of the bread before placing the slices into the toaster. This will help prevent pieces from falling into the toaster or sticking on the guard wire in the slot.
- If you are toasting a single slice of bread, select a lighter browning setting than usual. The toaster is designed to heat a whole toasting chamber for two slices. By reducing the time for toasting a single slice, it will not be over-toasted.

FAQs and Troubleshooting Guide

Problem	Solution
The toaster is not working.	Check the power connection and ensure the plug is properly inserted in the outlet. Make sure power to your electrical outlet is switched on.
Bread is stuck in the toaster.	Unplug the toaster and let it cool down. Then carefully remove the slice or slices from the toaster. You may need to hold the toaster over a sink and shake it gently to help loosen stuck bread. Only attempt to remove stuck bread after you have unplugged the toaster from the power supply. Do not use metal objects to remove the bread! Do not touch the metal parts inside the toaster! If the food became stuck because it was too thick, make sure to slice it a little thinner in future.
The toast is too dark or too light.	The selected browning level is too high or too low. Select a different setting.
The toaster emits smoke and/or a burning smell.	The selected browning level is too high for the type of bread toasted. Press the CANCEL button to stop the toasting cycle. Unplug the toaster and let it cool. Ensure the crumb trays are clean. Check to make sure no large crumbs are caught in the bread slots. Turn the unplugged unit upside down over the sink and shake gently to remove any crumbs.
Bread ejects very quickly.	Push down the bread lever completely. Make sure the power is switched on at the outlet. Make sure to select an appropriate browning level.

Other Useful Information

Care and cleaning

CAUTION!

- Always disconnect the toaster from the power outlet and allow it to cool before cleaning the toaster.
 - Never immerse the toaster in water or any other liquid for cleaning. Water and liquids must never enter the toaster.
 - Never clean the inside of the toaster, as this may damage the heating elements.
 - Never use a metal scouring pad, abrasive materials, metal polish, harsh chemical cleaners or hard objects for cleaning any surface of the toaster.
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- It is important that you remove and clean the crumb trays frequently to avoid the risk of crumbs catching fire. The crumb trays are located underneath the heating elements and can be pulled out from the back of the toaster.
 - To clean the crumb trays, pull them out completely, discard the crumbs and wipe the trays clean with a dry or damp cloth.
 - To remove stubborn spots, use a nylon or plastic scouring pad dampened in soapy water and squeezed almost dry. Make sure the trays are completely dry before inserting them back into the toaster.
 - Do not put the crumb trays in the dishwasher.
 - Wipe the outside surfaces and the cord with a soft, dry or slightly dampened cloth or sponge and a mild detergent.
 - Always let your toaster cool down completely prior to storing, especially if it is stored in a tightly enclosed space.
 - Store the toaster with the cord wound up underneath the base.

Storage

When in storage or not in use, the power cord may be wound around the cord storage underneath the appliance. Before storing the appliance, make sure it is dry and unplugged. Store it in the original carton, which will protect it from dust, in a clean and dry place, out of children's reach.

Service, repair and spare parts

If the toaster is damaged, do not attempt to repair, disassemble or modify the toaster yourself. The unit contains no user-serviceable parts inside, and there are no spare parts available for purchase. If you have any problems with the toaster, please contact our after sales support centre to arrange for examination or repair of the product.

Other Useful Information (Cont.)

Technical data

Rated voltage and frequency:	220–240 V~, 50–60 Hz
Rated power input:	1550–1850 W
Browning controls:	7 levels
Extra functions:	Defrost, reheat, cancel
Protection class:	Class I (this product must be earthed)
Dimensions (approx.):	285 (L) x 290 (D) x 193 (H) mm
Weight (approx.):	2.08 kg

Compliance

This appliance has been fully tested and meets all requirements as set out by standards AS/NZS 60335.1 and AS/NZS 60335.2.9.



The RCM Mark (Regulatory Compliance Mark) indicates that the product complies with the relevant guidelines of the ACMA as well as corresponding government requirements for the safety of electrical devices.

Responsible disposal



Packaging materials are recyclable. Please dispose of them responsibly for recycling.



At the end of its working life, do not throw this appliance out with your household waste. Electrical and electronic products contain substances that can have a detrimental effect on the environment and human health if disposed of inappropriately. Observe any local regulations regarding the disposal of electrical consumer goods and dispose of it appropriately for recycling.

Contact your local authorities for advice on recycling facilities in your area. Or find recycling scheme services listed on Planet Ark's website at www.recyclingnearyou.com.au, or call Planet Ark on 1300 733 712.



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Repair and Refurbished Goods or Parts Notice

Unfortunately, from time to time, faulty products are manufactured which need to be returned to the supplier for repair.

Please be aware that if your product is capable of retaining user-generated data (such as files stored on a computer hard drive, telephone numbers stored on a mobile telephone, songs stored on a portable media player, games saved on a games console or files stored on a USB memory stick) during the process of repair, some or all of your stored data may be lost. We recommend you save this data elsewhere prior to sending the product for repair.

You should also be aware that rather than repairing goods, we may replace them with refurbished goods of the same type or use refurbished parts in the repair process.

Please be assured though, refurbished parts or replacements are only used where they meet ALDI's stringent quality specifications.

If at any time you feel your repair is being handled unsatisfactorily, you may escalate your complaint. Please telephone us on 1300 112 534 or write to us at:

Tempo (Aust) Pty Ltd (ABN 70 106 100 252)
PO BOX 132, Frenchs Forest NSW 1640, Australia

Web Support: tempo.org/support

Tempo Help Desk: 1300 112 534 (Aust)
(Operating Hours: Mon–Sat 09:00 am to 06:00 pm AEST)





Warranty returns

Should you for any reason need to return this product for a warranty claim, make sure to include all accessories with the product.

Product does not work?

If you encounter problems with this product, or if it fails to perform to your expectations, make sure to contact our After Sales Support Centre on 1300 112 534 for advice.

For an electronic copy of this manual, go to www.stirlingappliances.com.au and download a copy, or contact our after sales support centre.

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