

8 oz Foundation INSTRUCTION MANUAL



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THE FOUNDATION POPPER POPCORN MACHINE

You have purchased our best selling popcorn popper for personal use . By purchasing the 8oz Foundation Popper you have joined an elite group of popcorn afficionado's. In the world of popcorn you have now reached the next level. You have left behind the stove top saucepan with a gob of white shortening and a handful of popcorn. Welcome to Pop Culture!

This is a industrial-strength kettle popper. The same kettle used by sport stadiums, theaters,

concession stands, convenience stores and minimarts. Fresh popcorn for every event in just minutes. A professional popcorn scoop and bags are included. Just form an orderly line, there is plenty for everyone.

We use only the finest grade material and workmanship when manufacturing our popper's. If for any reason our popper doesn't live up to these standards described, please write us at service@superiorpopcorn.com.

This instruction manual covers the following poppers.

8oz Kettle Popcorn Maker

120 volts - 850watts - 60HZ 5855 SPC Fold 80Z 4645 SPC Movie Night 80Z Red Top 4650 SPC Movie Night 80Z Red Full 4655 SPC Movie Night 80Z BLK Top 4660 SPC Movie Night 80Z BLK Full

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS DO's and DO NOT'S

- READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING YOUR POPCORN MACHINE.
- **DO NOT** use this appliance for anything other than the indicated usage. The Superior Popper is intended for residential or personal use only. This appliance is **NOT** intended for commercial use.
- The Superior Popper must be properly assembled before using it. Follow instructions and recommendations carefully.
- **ONLY** connect to an electrical outlet with the correct electrical supply and proper grounding to reduce the risk of shock and fire. **Do Not** cut or remove the grounding pin. If you do not have a three-prong electric receptacle outlet available, have a certified electrician install a proper outlet. **DO NOT** use a wall receptacle that is not properly grounded. Consult a qualified electrician to make sure your wiring and circuit can handle the electrical load required to operate this appliance.
- Make sure *ALL* switches are in the "*OFF*" position after each use, disconnect power cord from the electric outlet before cleaning.
- **DO NOT** immerse cord or plug into water or other liquids. **DO NOT** use extension cords or adapters to connect the unit to an electrical power source.
- **DO NOT** operate the appliance with damaged cord or plug, malfunction or with any mechanical damages.

- **EXTREME CAUTION** must be used when dumping kettle after popping action stops, a heat resistant mitt is recommended. **DO NOT** touch hot surfaces. Always use handle to operate.
- **DO NOT** move the popper during operation. Allow hot parts to cool down before moving or handling.
- **DO NOT** add kernels into a dry pot (without oil). To avoid overheating, always have oil and kernels ready before turning on heat.
- **DO NOT** place kettle into a dishwasher. **DO NOT** immerse kettle into water.
- **DO NOT** place the unit on or near a gas or electric burner or near a heated oven.
- DO NOT use outdoors, in wet environments or near a swimming pool, pond or hot tub/Jacuzzi.
- **DO NOT** use accessories or attachments that are not provided or recommended by manufacturer.
- **KEEP CHILDREN** well away from popper while in operation..
- **DO NOT** use abrasive cleaning products or abrasive cloth or materials on any surface of this machine. Mild synthetic abrasive cloth may be used on inside of pot. Absolutely **NO Steel Wool.**
- NEVER force any parts or brackets into position.
- SAVE these instructions for future reference.

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READ THE NEXT PAGE BEFORE YOU REMOVE POPPER FROM THE SHIPPING BOX.

IMPORTANT KNOWLEDGE FOR UNPACKING

Unpacking the shipping crate that holds your information on RMA's refer to the warranty new popper is the most exciting moment for a true popcorn afficionado like yourself. The Superior Popcorn Co. (SPC) have carefully engineered this shipping carton to insure your popper arrives in pristine condition.

Before removing anything from the carton, inspect the box for damage. Photograph any damage that have occurred to the outside of the carton. In the unlikely event that the box is damaged it may have also damaged the popper. If so, you will have to file a claim with the shipping company. Do not return merchandise to SPC without a RMA number. For more

section in this manual.

Removing your popper from the carton is best accomplished with help from a friend. Gently lay the carton on it's side, preferably on a carpeted floor. The popper and it's parts are encased in Styrofoam. Carefully ease the Styrofoam encasement from the carton. Remove the Styrofoam halves and take stock of the parts included.

Compare the parts in the carton to the list on the following page. If you find that the carton is missing a part contact SPC at

service@Superiorpopcorn.com

PARTS LIST

- A. Long Stand
- B. Square Cross Members x 2 pc
- C. Short Wheel base
- D. Axle
- E. Wheels x 2 pc
- F. Storage cabinet
- G. Hand Rail
- H. Work Platform
- Popper Cabinet
- Popper Cabinet Door J.
- K. Kettle
- L. Front Tilt Door
- M. Old Maids Drawer
- N. Popcorn scoop
- 0. measure cup set
- Package A, bolts, nuts, washers 8 pcs.
- Package B, bolts x 8 pcs., washers x 4 pcs.
- Package C, cap nuts, washers x 2 pcs. each
- Package D, wrench x 2

Please Note: First time use, clean inside glass and wipe inside area with damp sponge. Thoroughly wipe inside of stainless steel pot with clean damp sponge before heat is applied.

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- F. Cabinet Assembly Parts (5)
- Q. Bottom Panel **R. Front Panel** S. Back Panel T. Left Panel
- U. Right Panel



ASSEMBLY PROCEDURE: F. CART CABINET

The cart box is shipped un-assembled. It consists of five pieces. It is easy to assemble. Take care not to scratch the surface of cart box. The art on the cart box makes this machine spectacular.







3. The two side panels simply hook at the top of the front and rear panels. Do not lock into place until all the side lock catches are in a hole.Snap into place. The four pre drilled holes on each side are aligned for installation of the side handles.



4. Finished assembly.

both sides.

ASSEMBLY PROCEDURE

1. Install the handrail (G) onto the right hand side of the storage unit (F) and the working platform (H) on the left hand side with the nuts, bolts and washers included (Package A).



- 2. Next assemble the cart. Use (2) 9/16"x 1-3/8" bolts (Package B) provided to connect the long stand (A) and the 2 square poles (B) together.
- 3. Connect the assembly in (step 2) with the short stand (C) by using (2) 9/16"x 1-3/8" bolts (Package B).
- 4. Add a cap nut and washer (Package C) to one end of the axle (D). Insert axle (D) through one wheel (E) and into short stand axle hole (C). Place the second wheel (E) on the opposite end of axle (D). Next place cap nut and washer (Package C) onto the exposed end of the axle (D). Tighten cap nut with wrench provided (Package D). Check cap nut tightness periodically during routine maintenance.





- 5. Turn the storage cabinet (F) up side down for convenient assembly. Insert both ends of the short and long stands onto the bottom of cabinet (wheels opposite of the handle attachment) and attach with bolts (Package B). Use wrench provide to throughly tighten bolts.Turn the completed unit back to up-right position.
- *Note:* This task should be performed on carpet or a section of cardboard to avoid scraping the cabinet or damaging your floor. This is a two person task.



6. The glass door (J) simply slides into the two anchor hinges on the popping unit. (I) The door is easy to remove for cleaning.

J

L

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- *Note:* The metal handle should align with the magnetic latch on the popping unit (I).
- Align the two bottom tabs on the Stainless Steel tilt door (L) with the slots on the bottom platform of the popping unit. The side panels will bend in slightly to maneuver past the corner rails.
- 8. The "Old Maids" drawer (M) slides into the opening at the bottom of the popper unit.
- 9. Next place the pot (K) onto the hangers located in the popper unit. Hold the pot cantered at approximately a 70 degree angle as illustrated here. Place the two hanger bars into the slots on the hanger. *Do Not force.* Make sure the hangers are well seated before swinging the axle shaft up to the motor. The roller pin will fit into the niche on the motor and will help align the gears. Check to make sure the gears properly meshed together before starting the motor.
- **CAUTION** The pot on this popper will become extremely hot when in use.
- **DO NOT** Remove or install pot until it is completely cooled off.
- **DO NOT** Load pot before installing or while hot. Avoid steam released from the pot. It can scald and cause severe burns.

Note: The "Old Maids" drawer is designed to catch un-popped kernels that fall through the sized holes. Occasionally empty the drawer. Debris that may not make it into the drawer should be removed before replacing drawer tray. Loose debris can prevent the drawer

from shutting properly.



KEEP CHILDREN AWAY FROM HOT POT!



10. The last step is to plug the pot into the outlet located on the ceiling of the popper cabinet. Before plugging the pot into the cabinet outlet, make sure the pot is seated properly on the hangers, the gear shaft is properly aligned and all the switches are in the off position.

NEVER plug the pot cord directly into a electrical outlet.

- *Note:* The upper cabinet is equipped with rubber feet and can be used separate from storage cabinet on a sturdy counter top.
- **Do Not** place the popper near a heat source such as a stove or oven. Allow a minimum of 12" of open space on all sides.
- **Do Not** place this unit near water or a water source.
- **Do Not** use electric circuits that do not meet minimum requirement as specified.

SUCCESS!

Now that you have assembled your popper, you are ready to make popcorn the way it's made in theaters and concessions everywhere. Below are instructions on how to operate your popper. Read them carefully to make yourself a popping expert. When operated correctly your popper will give you many years of service and happiness.



Stirrer

WARMER

The Warmer switch operates the light in the back left corner of the popper unit and the warming element in the bottom tray. The warmer can be left on for extended periods of time. The two elements work together to keep the popcorn fresh and warm. Ready to Eat!

Warning: Do not dump liquid toppings onto popped corn while in the popper. It will cause a huge mess and result in much clean-up time. Remove popcorn to a serving bowl before adding wet toppings.

The Stirrer switch operates the stirrer located inside the pot. Make sure it is free of obstruction and the axle gear and the motor gear are properly seated before turning the Stirrer switch on. If pot is not cleaned at a p p r o p r i a te intervals or recommended popping oils are not used, the bottom of the pot will gum with burnt oil and debris. If the stirrer sounds the least bit strained, switch off immediately and solve the problem.

Pot Heater

The Pot Heater switch operates the heating element in the bottom of the pot. (Kettle) It is engineered to deliver the perfect temperature for popping Popcorn. *It is extremely hot!* Care should be taken when in close proximity of the pot. When pot is hot use heat resistant gloves. Only touch the safety knob on the pouring handle.

LESSON ONE: How to make great popcorn



- We recommend using the Superior Popcorn Co. Gourmet pre-measured portion packs for PERFECT POPCORN EVERY TIME! No need to preheat the kettle, just cut off the top of portion pack and empty the contents into the kettle. (Note: Run warm water over the portion pack for a few minutes to loosen the oil portion.) If using other suitable ingredients, have premeasured portions ready in advance. For best results use 3 tblsp. of coconut oil for every cup of popping corn.
- 2. Close lid and door.
- 3. Switch the Stirrer to ON so that it starts stirring. Switch the kettle heater to ON. You will hear the sizzle in just a few minutes.
- 4. Switch the warming tray and spot light to ON.
- 5. Popcorn starts popping out through the lid after about 3 to 4 minutes.

CAUTION: Pot, oil and popcorn are extremely hot. Escaping steam can cause severe scalding. Children are naturally attracted to the excitement of the popping event. Keep children well back out of harm's way.

- When popping action stops (no more popping sound from the pot), switch the Stirrer and Pot Heater to the OFF position. Popping is complete. Rotate the handle bar on the pot and pour out all remaining popcorn. Gently shake if necessary.
- 7. Pot Heater switch must remain OFF if the unit is not popping. Only the spot light and warming deck should be left ON, this will keep the popcorn warm, dry and tasty for a longer period of time.
- Serve popcorn with the scoop provided.
 Note: Do not add butter or other liquid flavoring in main unit popcorn bin. Avoid a big mess! Remove popcorn to a suitable serving bowl or popcorn container before adding this type of flavoring.
- Always remove plug from power supply before cleaning and if the unit is not being used for a period time.

WARRANTY AND RETURN POLICY

Five Year Limited Warranty Superior Popcorn Company (SPC) popcorn machines are warranted to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for five years from the date of purchase. Within this period, Superior Popcorn Company will, at its sole discretion, repair or replace any components that fail during normal use. SPC popcorn machines are intended for residential and personal use only. This warranty does not apply to damage caused by abnormal or unreasonable use, including any repair or attempted repair by anyone other than a certified Superior Popcorn Company authorized service technician. Use of replacement parts that are not OEM parts, that cause incidental or consequential damages will void the warranty. Using this product for anything other than its original intended purpose or altering this product in any way will void this warranty.

If your SPC popcorn machines has a manufacturers defect covered by our warranty, we will either repair or replace it, at our option, without charge or refund. Such repairs, or items deemed to be eligible for replacement, will be made at no charge to the customer for parts or labor, provided that the customer shall be responsible for all shipping costs.

Beyond the initial 30 day period, this warranty does not apply to: **A.** cosmetic damage, such as broken glass, scratches, nicks and dents; **B.** consumable parts, such as light bulbs, unless product damage has occurred due to a defect in materials or workmanship; **C.** damage caused by accident, abuse, misuse, water, flood, fire, or other acts of nature or external causes; **D.** damage caused by service performed by anyone who is not an authorized service provider of Superior Popcorn Company; or **E.** damage to a product that has been modified or altered without the written permission of Superior Popcorn Company. In addition, the original purchaser must provide proper proof of the original retail purchase and all other requested information to Superior Popcorn Company.

Please note that repair costs and handling charges may apply if any issue was found to be the fault of the end user. Please be prepared to provide the units serial number, if applicable, your return shipping address and a daytime phone number you can be reached at and proof of purchase.

Superior Popcorn Company retains the exclusive right to repair or replace with a new or newlyrefurbished replacement machine or part. Replacement of product or offer of a full refund of the purchase price is at the sole discretion of Superior Popcorn Company. Such remedy shall be the sole and exclusive remedy for any breach of warranty. Do not return merchandise to Superior Popcorn without proper documentation. (SPC)

LESSON TWO: CLEANING EASY- CALL THE KETTLE CLEANING CREW

When the shows over and everyone's left the theater it's time for *SPC's "Kettle Cleaning Crew"* to go to work. Our specially formulated cleaner will dissolve built-up, burnt-on, grimy gooey cooking oils used to pop kettle corn. Keeps your popper looking good for years.

Unplug the popper from the electrical source. Closely follow the directions on the "Kettle Cleaning Crew" label for best results. Thoroughly rinse and wipe clean. For heavy burned kettles repeat process. For light regular cleaning use dish soap. Only use mild synthetic scouring pads. **Do Not submerge pot in liquid.** To minimize burning popcorn use only **SPC Movie Theater Popping Oil.** To order SPC products, go to: www.superiorpopcorn.com.

Clean glass with mild glass cleaner solution. Check label to make sure the product used is compatible with food preparation equipment.

Vacuum out small debris left on the warming deck. Empty the "Old Maids" tray. Wipe deck and tray with a sponge dipped in dish soap. Rinse sponge in clean water throughly. Sponge wipe until clean. Avoid attracting pesky varmints. Do Not leave food particles in your popper.

CUSTOMER SERVICE

Customer service and product support are available on line at www.Superiorpopcorn.com.



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