

# Cuisinart® INSTRUCTION BOOKLET



**Cordless Lithium Electric Knife**

**CEK-120**

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

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# IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed.

1. **READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS.**
2. Blades are sharp. Handle carefully. Always handle blades with hand away from cutting edge. Always store blades with cutting edge away from you.
3. To protect against risk of electrical shock, do not put the knife handle or adapter in water or other liquids. If handle or adapter falls into liquid, unplug the adapter from outlet immediately. Do not reach into the liquid.
4. This appliance should not be used by or near children or individuals with certain disabilities.
5. Ensure safety switch is in the lock position before putting on or taking off parts, and before cleaning.
6. Avoid contact with moving parts. Keep hands, hair, clothing and other utensils away from blade during operation to reduce risk of injury to persons and/or damage to the knife.
7. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or after the appliance has malfunctioned or has been dropped or damaged in any way or is not operating properly. Return the appliance to the nearest authorized service center for examination, repair, mechanical or electrical adjustments.

8. The use of attachments not recommended or provided by Cuisinart may cause fire, electrical shock, or risk of injury.
9. Do not use outdoors or anywhere the cord, adapter or knife might come into contact with water while in use.
10. To avoid the possibility of the knife being accidentally pulled off work area, which could result in personal injury or damage to the knife, do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter.
11. To avoid damage to cord and possible fire or electrocution hazard, do not let cord come into contact with hot surfaces, including a stove.
12. Do not operate knife in water or under running water.
13. This product contains Li-ion batteries. Do not incinerate or compost batteries, as they will explode at high temperatures.
14. Use only the power adapter (9.0VDC-850mA output) as supplied with this product.
15. Do not operate your appliance in an appliance garage or under a wall cabinet. **When storing in an appliance garage, always unplug the unit from the electrical outlet.** Not doing so could create a risk of fire, especially if the appliance touches the walls of the garage or the door touches the unit as it closes.
16. Do NOT operate the knife in dimly lit areas or without proper lighting. LED guide light is for additional illumination only.
17. Do not attempt to cut through bones. This appliance is for 120 volts only and should not be used with a converter.

# SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY

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# UNPACKING INSTRUCTIONS

## IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ

This package contains a Cuisinart® Cordless Lithium Electric Knife with the following parts:

- Knife main housing
- Thickness guide
- Carving blade
- Power adapter
- Bread blade
- Carrying/storage
- Thumb screw

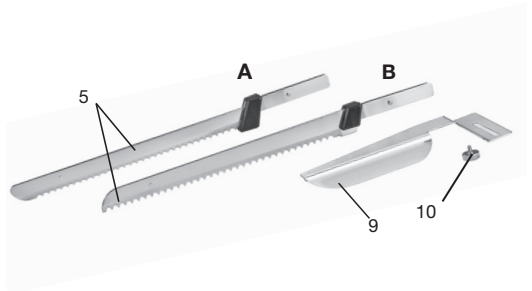
To avoid any injury to yourself or damage to the Cuisinart® Cordless Lithium Electric Knife, please follow these unpacking instructions:

1. Place the gift box containing your Cuisinart® Cordless Lithium Electric Knife on a flat, sturdy surface before unpacking.
2. Remove all printed materials.
3. Turn the box on its side and slide the storage case out, including packing materials.
4. Place the unit on a counter or table and read the instructions thoroughly before using.
5. Save packing materials and inserts for later use.

# FEATURES & BENEFITS

1. **On/Off Control:** One-touch pressure-activated on/off thumb control for simple operation. Convenient for left- or right-hand use.
2. **Handle:** Ergonomic handle reduces fatigue from long periods of use.
3. **LED Guide Light:** Adds additional light to the cutting area for maximum illumination.
4. **Blade Release Button:** Easily insert, remove or change blades.
5. **Blades:** Two full-size blades: (A) carving blade and (B) bread blade.
6. **Safety Switch:** One touch locks or unlocks the On/Off control for safety. Keep the safety switch locked when knife is not in use and when changing blades.
7. **Carrying/Storage Case:** Safely and securely stores your electric knife when not in use. A small opening on side allows cord to be connected to the knife so it can charge while stored in the case.
  - 7a. Lid Interlock Tab
8. **Charging Indicator Light:** Light will illuminate red when battery is low, yellow when charging, and green when charge is complete.
9. **Thickness Guide:** Adjustable thickness guide helps ensure every cut is consistent, whether cutting thick or thin slices.
10. **Thumb Screw:** Used to secure thickness guide to housing.
11. **Adapter**

**BPA Free:** All parts that come into contact with food are BPA free.



## ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

1. Place storage case on a flat surface with Cuisinart logo facing up. Open lid by lifting interlock tab between handles. Lift top to open.



2. Carefully remove blades from storage case. Before first use, separate the blades and wash them in hot, soapy water or in the dishwasher. **CAUTION: BLADES ARE SHARP. HANDLE WITH CARE.** Dry thoroughly.



3. Attach the blades by inserting the rivet on one blade into the keyhole of the other blade.

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Be sure to fully charge your electric knife for 4 hours prior to first use.



2. The blades must be assembled before fitting into knife.



**Caution:** Always engage safety switch before handling blades or blade guide.

Holding the blades with the serrated edge away from you, insert blades until you hear a click. The blades may not line up evenly when properly inserted.

**Caution:** The blades are very sharp; be careful when handling them.

3. Slide the safety switch to the unlock position and press/hold the thumb control to activate the electric knife.

4. Press and hold the thumb control as you cut, keeping the blade straight so thickness of slices is consistent.

**Caution:** NEVER place your hand on top of the blade to support it while operating the knife as the blades are designed to move back and forth.

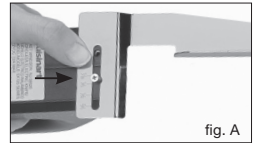
5. Blade automatically stops when On/Off control is released.

## HOW TO USE THE THICKNESS GUIDE

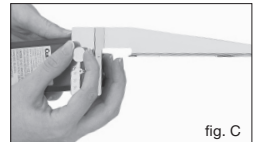
The adjustable thickness guide is to be used as an optional tool to ensure slices remain consistent and uniform. Use of the thickness guide is not required to operate the knife and can be stored in the provided carrying/storage case until necessary.

### Attaching/Adjusting the Thickness Guide

To attach the thickness guide to your knife, first ensure the safety switch is in the locked position. Looking at the bottom of the unit, attach the thickness guide by inserting and tightening the provided thumb screw once you have selected the desired thickness (markings are found on the underside of thickness guide, see fig. A and B).



To adjust the thickness guide, loosen thumb screw and slide guide until the desired marking is lined up with the pin (see fig. C). Tighten thumb screw to ensure the guide is securely in place prior to use. During extended periods of use, check every so often to make sure thumb screw does not require re-tightening.



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## CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

Always engage safety switch after each use or while knife is not in use.

- 1 **CAUTION:** Engage safety switch to lock position before handling blades. To remove the blades, push the blade release button and grasp the blades with the cutting edge away from you. Slowly pull blades out from knife housing.
2. To wash, remove thickness guide (place screw securely in storage case), and separate the blades by sliding the rivet out of the keyhole. Wash them in hot, soapy water or in the dishwasher and dry thoroughly. Return to carrying/storage case.
3. Clean the handle with a slightly damp cloth and wipe dry.

**Caution:** Do not clean handle with blades in place. Do not immerse the appliance in water or other liquids or place it under running water.

### Charging

We recommend that you store your appliance in the carrying/storage case when not in use, and be sure to plug knife into outlet while in the case so it is fully charged and always ready for use.

Any other servicing should be performed by an authorized service representative.

## DISPOSAL/RECYCLING OF BATTERIES

This product uses two Li-ion rechargeable and recyclable batteries. At the end of the batteries' useful life, they should be recycled. These batteries must not be incinerated or composted.

Li-ion batteries should not be put in municipal waste systems. Contact your local waste collection agency for proper recycling and disposal information for your area.

Please do not attempt to dismantle the knife handle to replace these batteries on your own. Damage could result to the unit.

## HELPFUL HINTS

### Carving Blade

The carving blade is very versatile. In addition to slicing meats such as turkey, chicken, salami, ham and roasts, it can also be used to cut fruits like melon and pineapple; vegetables such as squash, eggplant and zucchini, as well as hard cheeses.

### Bread Blade

The bread blade glides through loaves for consistent, even slicing. It can also be used to slice bagels and sandwich rolls.

## Limited Three-Year Warranty (U.S. and Canada ONLY)

This warranty is available to consumers only. You are a consumer if you own a Cuisinart® Cordless Lithium Electric Knife that was purchased at retail for personal, family or household use. Except as otherwise required under applicable law, this warranty is not available to retailers or other commercial purchasers or owners.

We warrant that your Cuisinart® Cordless Lithium Electric Knife will be free of defects in materials and workmanship under normal home use for 3 years from the date of original purchase. We recommend that you visit our website, [www.cuisinart.com](http://www.cuisinart.com) for a fast, efficient way to complete your product registration. However, product registration does not eliminate the need for the consumer to maintain the original proof of purchase in order to obtain the warranty benefits. In the event that you do not have proof of purchase date, the purchase date for purposes of this warranty will be the date of manufacture.

If your Cuisinart® Cordless Lithium Electric Knife should prove to be defective within the warranty period, we will repair it, or if we think necessary, replace it. To obtain warranty service, simply call our toll-free number 1-800-726-0190 for additional information from our Consumer Service Representatives, or send the defective product to Consumer Service at Cuisinart, 7475 North Glen Harbor Blvd., Glendale, AZ 85307.

To facilitate the speed and accuracy of your return, please enclose \$10.00 made out to Cuisinart for shipping and handling of the product.

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Please pay by check or money order made payable to Cuisinart (California residents need only supply proof of purchase and should call 1-800-726-0190 for shipping instructions).

**NOTE:** For added protection and secure handling of any Cuisinart product that is being returned, we recommend you use a traceable, insured delivery service. Cuisinart cannot be held responsible for in-transit damage or for packages that are not delivered to us. Lost and/or damaged products are not covered under warranty. Please be sure to include your return address, daytime phone number, description of the product defect, product model number (located on bottom of product), original date of purchase, and any other information pertinent to the product's return.

### **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 that sells Cuisinart products of the same type.

The retail store shall then, at its discretion, 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 the above two options do 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, according to their preference, return nonconforming products directly to Cuisinart for repair, or if necessary, replacement, by calling our Consumer Service Center toll-free at 1-800-726-0190. Cuisinart will be responsible for the cost of the repair, replacement, and shipping and handling for such products under warranty.

### **BEFORE RETURNING YOUR CUISINART PRODUCT**

If you are experiencing problems with your Cuisinart product, we suggest that you call our

Cuisinart Service Center at 1-800-726-0190 before returning the product for service. If servicing is needed, a Representative can confirm whether the product is under warranty and direct you to the nearest service location.

Your Cuisinart® Cordless Lithium Electric Knife has been manufactured to the strictest specifications and has been designed for use only in 120-volt outlets and only with authorized accessories and replacement parts. This warranty expressly excludes any defects or damages caused by attempted use of this unit with a converter, as well as by use with accessories, replacement parts or repair service other than those authorized by Cuisinart. This warranty does not cover any damage caused by accident, misuse, shipment or other than ordinary household use. This warranty excludes all incidental or consequential damages. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of these damages, so these exclusions may not apply to you. You may also have other rights, which vary from state to state.

**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 the product is still under warranty.

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