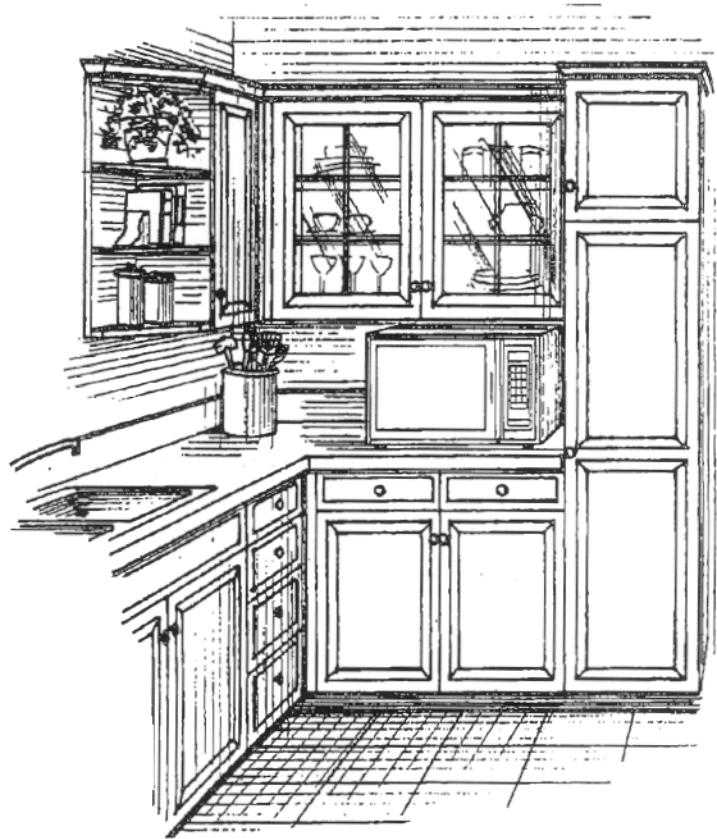


**Panasonic®**

# Operating Instructions

Microwave Oven  
Models NN-S252 NN-S262



This manual contains Safety Instructions, Operating Instructions and Maintenance of the oven.

Before operating this oven, please read these instructions completely.

Antes de operar este producto, lea este instructivo en su totalidad.

El manual de instrucciones en español puede ser encontrada en la páginas 27-32

(Spanish Operating Instructions can be found on pages 27-32)

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Thank you for purchasing the Panasonic Microwave Oven.

## PRECAUTIONS TO AVOID POSSIBLE EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE MICROWAVE ENERGY

- (a) Do not attempt to operate this oven with the door open since open-door operation can result in harmful exposure to microwave energy. It is important not to defeat or tamper with the safety interlocks. Under normal conditions oven will not operate with door open.
- (b) Do not place any object between the oven front face and the door or allow soil or cleaner residue to accumulate on sealing surfaces.
- (c) Do not operate the oven if it is damaged. It is particularly important that the oven door close properly and that there is no damage to the:
- (1) door (bent),
  - (2) hinges and latches (broken or loosened),
  - (3) door seals and sealing surfaces.
- (d) The oven should not be adjusted or repaired by anyone except properly qualified service personnel.

### Technical Specifications

	NN-S252	NN-S262
Power Source:	120 V, 60 Hz	
Power Consumption:	10.8 Amps, 1250 W	
Output*:	1200 W	
Outside Dimensions (H x W x D):	16 <sup>15</sup> / <sub>32</sub> " x 29 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>8</sub> " x 15"	
	(418 x 759 x 381 mm)	
Oven Cavity Dimensions (H x W x D):	9 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> " x 23 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>32</sub> " x 9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> "	
	(241.5 x 591 x 238 mm)	
Operating Frequency:	2,450 MHz	
Uncrated Weight:	Approx. 51 lbs. (23.0 kg)	

\*IEC 60705 Test procedure

Specifications subject to change without notice.

The serial number of this product may be found on the front side of the oven cavity. You should note the model number and the serial number of this oven in the space provided and retain this book as a permanent record of your purchase for future reference.

Model No. \_\_\_\_\_

Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Purchase \_\_\_\_\_

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## IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Your microwave oven is a cooking device and you should use as much care as you use with a stove or any other cooking device. When using this electric appliance, basic safety precautions should be followed, including the following:

**WARNING**—To reduce the risk of burns, electric shock, fire, injury to persons, or exposure to excessive microwave energy:

1. Read all instructions before using the appliance.
  2. Read and follow the specific "PRECAUTIONS TO AVOID POSSIBLE EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE MICROWAVE ENERGY," found on the inside front cover.
  3. This appliance must be grounded. Connect only to properly grounded outlet. See "GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS" found on page 6.
  4. Install or locate this appliance only in accordance with the installation instructions found on page 5.
  5. Do not cover or block any openings on this appliance.
  6. Do not store or use this appliance outdoors.  
Do not use this product near water—for example, near a kitchen sink, in a wet basement, or near a swimming pool, or similar locations
  7. Use this appliance only for its intended use as described in this manual. **DO NOT** use corrosive chemicals, vapors, or non-food products in this appliance. This type of oven is specifically designed to heat or cook. It is not designed for industrial or laboratory use. The use of corrosive chemicals in heating or cleaning will damage the appliance and may result in radiation leaks.
  8. When cleaning surfaces of door and oven that come together on closing the door, use only mild, non-abrasive soaps or detergents applied with a sponge or soft cloth.
  9. Do not allow children to use this appliance, unless closely supervised by an adult.
  10. Do not operate this appliance if it has a damaged cord or plug, if it is not working properly, or if it has been damaged or dropped.
  11. Do not immerse cord or plug in water.
  12. Keep cord away from heated surfaces.
  13. Do not let cord hang over edge of a table or counter.
  14. This appliance should be serviced only by qualified service personnel. Contact the nearest authorized servicenter for examination, repair or adjustment.
  15. Some products such as whole eggs, narrow neck bottles and sealed containers—for example, closed glass jars—are able to explode and should not be heated in this oven.
  16. To reduce the risk of fire in the oven cavity:
    - (a) Do not overcook food. Carefully attend appliance when paper plastic, or other combustible materials are placed inside the oven to facilitate cooking.
    - (b) Remove wire twist-ties from paper or plastic bags before placing bag in oven.
  - (c) If materials inside the oven should ignite, keep oven door closed, turn oven off, and disconnect the power cord, or shut off power at the fuse or circuit breaker panel.
  - (d) Do not use the cavity for storage purposes. Do not leave paper products, cooking utensils, or food in the cavity when not in use.
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- 17) Liquids, such as water, coffee, or tea are able to be overheated beyond the boiling point without appearing to be boiling due to surface tension of the liquid. Visible bubbling or boiling when the container is removed from the microwave oven is not always present. **THIS COULD RESULT IN VERY HOT LIQUIDS SUDDENLY BOILING OVER WHEN A SPOON OR OTHER UTENSIL IS INSERTED INTO THE LIQUID.**  
To reduce the risk of injury to persons:
    - i) Do not overheat the liquid.
    - ii) Stir the liquid both before and halfway through heating it.
    - iii) Do not use straight-sided containers with narrow necks.
    - iv) After heating, allow the container to stand in the microwave oven for a short time before removing the container.
    - v) Use extreme care when inserting a spoon or other utensil into the container.
  18. This appliance is suitable for use above both gas and electric Cooking equipment.  
To reduce the risk of fire and electric shock install at least 14 inches(35.5 cm), measured to bottom of oven, above a cooktop.
  19. Clean Ventilating Hoods Frequently- Grease should not be allowed to accumulate on hood or filter.
  20. Use care when cleaning the Vent Hood filter. Corrosive cleaning Agents, such as lye-based oven cleaners, may damage the filter.
  21. When flaming foods under the hood, turn the fan on.  
For more information refer to page 6, under "The Hood".

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

For proper use of your oven read remaining safety cautions and operating instructions.

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

### Glass Tray

1. **DO NOT** operate the oven without Rotating Ring and Glass Tray in place.
2. **DO NOT** operate the oven without the Glass Tray fully engaged on the drive hub. Improper cooking or damage to the oven could result. Verify that the Glass Tray is properly engaged and rotating by observing its rotation when you press **Start**.
3. Only use the Glass Tray specifically designed for this oven. Do not substitute any other glass tray.
4. If the Glass Tray is hot, allow to cool before cleaning or placing in water.
5. **DO NOT** cook directly on the Glass Tray. Always place food in a microwave-safe dish, or on a rack set in a microwave-safe dish.
6. If food or utensil on Glass Tray touches oven walls, causing the tray to stop moving, the tray will automatically rotate in the opposite direction. This is normal. Glass Tray can turn in either direction.

### Roller Ring

1. Roller Ring and oven floor should be cleaned frequently to prevent excessive noise.
2. Roller Ring must always be used for cooking along with Glass Tray.
3. Always replace Roller Ring and Glass Tray in their proper positions.

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

### General Use

- DO NOT** tamper with or make any adjustments or repairs to door, Control Panel housing, safety interlock switches or any other part of the oven. **DO NOT** remove outer panel from oven. Repairs must only be done by a qualified service person.
- DO NOT** operate the oven empty. The microwave energy will reflect continuously throughout the oven causing overheating, if food or water is not present to absorb energy. This could damage the oven and result in the risk of a fire.
- DO NOT** dry clothes, newspapers or other materials in oven, or use newspapers or paper bags for cooking. Fire could result.



- DO NOT** use recycled paper products unless the paper product is labeled as safe for microwave oven use. Recycled paper products may contain impurities which may cause sparks, and result in fires when used.
- DO NOT** hit or strike Control Panel. Damage to controls may occur. Fire could result.
- POT HOLDERS** should always be used when removing items from the oven. Heat is transferred from the **HOT** food to the cooking container and from the cooking container to the Glass Tray. The Glass Tray can be very **HOT** after removing the cooking container from the oven.
- DO NOT** store flammable materials next to, on top of, or in the oven. These could be fire hazards.
- When using **BOTH** the range and the microwave oven at the same time, take caution not to burn yourself when leaning over the range to reach into the microwave oven.

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

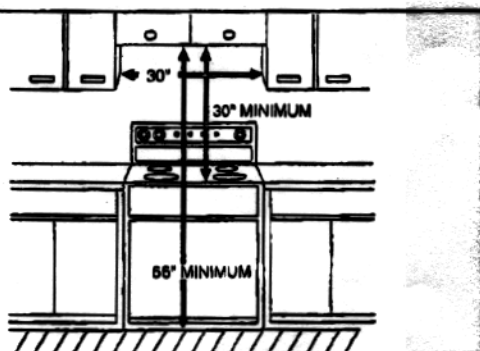
### Examine Your Oven

Unpack oven, remove all packing material and examine the oven for any damage such as dents, broken door latches or cracks in the door. Notify dealer immediately if oven is damaged. **DO NOT** install if oven is damaged.

### Installation

- This unit is designed for installation over a range in a standard 30" (76 cm) opening.
- Be sure to install this appliance only in accordance with the installation instructions provided.
- It is recommended that the product be mounted to a flush wall of 2" x 4" (5 x 10cm) stud and 3/8" (1cm) minimum thickness drywall or plaster/lath. For further information, please consult the installation instructions.
- Make sure the bottom of the top cabinet is 66" (1.67 m) or more from the floor and 30" (76 cm) or more from the cooking surface.

- This oven was manufactured for household use only.



# GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS

## Grounding Instructions

This appliance must be grounded. In the event of an electrical short circuit, grounding reduces the risk of electric shock by providing an escape wire for the electric current. This appliance is equipped with a cord having a grounding wire with a grounding plug. The plug must be plugged into an outlet that is properly installed and grounded.

**WARNING—Improper use of the grounding plug can result in a risk of electric shock.**

Consult a qualified electrician or service person if the grounding instructions are not completely understood, or if doubt exists as to whether the appliance is properly grounded. If it is necessary to use an extension cord, use only a three wire extension cord that has a three blade grounding plug, and a three slot receptacle that will accept the plug on the appliance. The marked rating of the extension cord should be equal to or greater than the electrical rating of the appliance.

## Power Supply

1. A short power-supply cord is provided to reduce the risks resulting from becoming entangled in or tripping over a longer cord.
2. Longer cord sets or extension cords are available and may be used if care is exercised in their use.
3. If a long cord or extension cord is used, (1) the marked electrical rating of the cord set or extension cord should be at least as great as the electrical rating of the appliance, (2) the extension cord must be a grounding-type 3-wire cord, and (3) the longer cord should be arranged so that it will not drape over the counter top or tabletop where it can be pulled on by children or tripped over accidentally.

## Wiring Requirements

1. The oven must be on a SEPARATE CIRCUIT. No other appliance should share the circuit with the microwave oven. If it does, the branch circuit fuse may blow, the circuit breaker may trip, or the food may cook slower than the times recommended in this manual.
2. The VOLTAGE used must be the same as specified on this microwave oven (120 V, 60 Hz). Using a higher voltage is dangerous and may result in a fire or other incident causing oven damage. Using a lower voltage will cause slow cooking. Panasonic is NOT responsible for damage resulting from the use of the oven with other than the specified voltage.
3. The oven must be plugged into at least a 20 AMP, 120 VOLT, 60 Hz GROUNDED OUTLET. Where a standard two-prong outlet is encountered, it is the personal responsibility and obligation of the consumer to have it replaced with a properly grounded three-prong outlet.



## TV / Radio Interference

1. Operation of the microwave oven may cause interference to your radio, TV or similar equipment.
2. When there is interference, it may be reduced or eliminated by taking the following measures:
  - a. Clean door and sealing surfaces of the oven. (See Care of Your Microwave Oven)
  - b. Place the radio, TV, etc. away from the microwave oven as far as possible.
  - c. Use a properly installed antenna to obtain stronger signal reception.

## The Hood

1. The blower fan in your oven will operate automatically under certain conditions. Caution is required to prevent the starting and spreading of accidental cooking fires while the vent fan is in operation.
2. Never leave surface units unattended at high heat setting. Boil over causes smoking and greasy spillovers that may ignite and spread if vent fan is operating. To minimize automatic fan operation, use adequate sized utensils and use high heat settings only when necessary.
3. In the event of a grease fire, smother flaming pan on surface unit by covering pan completely with well-fitting lid, cookie sheet or flat tray.
5. Keep hood and grease filters clean, according to instructions on page 23, to maintain adequate venting and avoid grease fires.
6. To protect the automatic fan feature (see page 23) always keep the filter clean. Should the fan require repair, do not operate microwave oven until it has been repaired.
7. Charcoal filter should be replaced periodically. It may be purchased from a local Panasonic dealer.

## SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

### Follow These Safety Precautions When Cooking in Your Oven.

#### **IMPORTANT**

Proper cooking depends upon the power, the time set and the quantity of food. If you use a smaller portion than recommended and cook at the time for the recommended portion, fire can result.

#### **1) HOME CANNING / DRYING FOODS / SMALL QUANTITIES OF FOODS**

- **DO NOT** use your oven for home canning, your oven cannot maintain the food at the proper canning temperature. Improperly canned food may spoil and be dangerous to consume.
- **DO NOT** dry meats, herbs, fruits or vegetables in your oven. Small quantities of food or foods with low moisture content can dry out, scorch or catch on fire if overheated.

#### **2) POPCORN**

Popcorn may be popped in a microwave oven corn popper. Microwave popcorn which pops in its own package is also available. Follow popcorn manufacturers' directions and use a brand suitable for the wattage of your microwave oven. **CAUTION:** When using pre-packaged microwave popcorn, follow recommended package instructions. Check package weight before using the *Popcorn pad* (see *Popcorn Pad* section). Set the oven for the weight of the popcorn package.

If these instructions are not followed, the popcorn may not pop adequately or may ignite and cause a fire. Never leave oven unattended when popping popcorn. Allow the popcorn bag to cool before opening, always open the bag away from your face and body to prevent steam burns.

#### **3) DEEP FAT FRYING**

- **DO NOT** attempt to deep fat fry in your microwave oven. Cooking oils may burst into flames and may cause damage to the oven and perhaps result in burns. Microwave utensils may not be able to withstand the temperature of the hot oil, and could shatter or melt.

#### **4) FOODS WITH NONPOROUS SKINS**

- Potatoes, apples, whole eggs, egg yolks, whole squash and sausages are examples of foods with nonporous skins. These types of foods must be pierced before microwave cooking to prevent their bursting.
- Use fresh potatoes for baking and cook until just done. Use recommended weights for programmed cooking. Overcooking causes dehydration and may result in a fire.

#### **5) LIQUIDS**

- Liquids can become "superheated" in a microwave, and when the container is moved in any way, the superheated liquids can "explode" out of the container. "Superheated" water is hotter than boiling water, **EVEN THOUGH IT DOES NOT APPEAR TO BUBBLE.** To reduce the possibility of this occurrence:

Always make sure that liquids are stirred vigorously before heating to assure that the liquid is mixed with air. **NEVER HEAT LIQUIDS FOR AN EXCESSIVE LENGTH OF TIME.**

#### **6) GLASS TRAY / COOKING UTENSILS / FOIL**

- Cooking utensils get hot during microwaving. Heat is transferred from the HOT food to the container and the Glass Tray. Use potholders when removing utensils from the oven or when removing lids or plastic wrap covers from cooking utensils to avoid burns.
- The Glass Tray will get hot during cooking. It should be allowed to cool before handling or before paper products, such as paper plates or microwave popcorn bags, are placed in the oven for microwave cooking.
- When using foil, skewers, warming rack or utensils made of metal in the oven, allow at least 1-inch (2.5 cm) of space between metal material and interior oven walls. If arcing occurs (sparking), remove metal material (skewers etc.) and/or transfer to a non-metallic container.
- Dishes with metallic trim should **NOT** be used, as arcing may occur.
- If an entree is heated in a foil tray, maintain at least 1-inch (2.5 cm) spacing from the oven walls.

#### **7) PAPER TOWELS / CLOTHS**

- **DO NOT** use paper towels or cloths which contain a synthetic fiber woven into them. The synthetic fiber may cause the towel to ignite. Use paper toweling under supervision.

#### **8) BROWNING DISHES / OVEN COOKING BAGS**

- Browning dishes or grills are designed for microwave cooking only. Always follow instructions provided by the manufacturer. **DO NOT** preheat browning dish more than 6 minutes.
- If an oven cooking bag is used for microwave cooking, prepare according to package directions. **DO NOT** use a wire twist-tie to close bag, instead use plastic ties, cotton string or a strip cut from the open end of the bag.

#### **9) THERMOMETERS**

- **DO NOT** use a conventional meat thermometer in your oven. Arcing may occur. Microwave-safe thermometers are available for both meat and candy.

#### **10) BABY FORMULA / FOOD**

- **DO NOT** heat baby formula or food in the microwave oven. The glass jar or surface of the food may appear to be only warm while the interior can be so hot as to burn the infant's mouth and esophagus.

#### **11) REHEATING PASTRY PRODUCTS**

- When reheating pastry products, check temperatures of any fillings before eating. Some foods have fillings which heat faster and can be extremely hot, while the surface remains warm to the touch (ex. Jelly Donuts).

#### **12) GENERAL OVEN USAGE GUIDELINES**

- **DO NOT** use the oven for any reason other than the preparation of food.
- **DO NOT** leave oven unattended while in use.

## Warranty & Service

# PANASONIC MICROWAVE OVEN LIMITED WARRANTY

Panasonic Consumer Electronics Company or Panasonic Sales Company (collectively referred to as "the warrantor") will repair this product with new or refurbished parts in exchange for defective parts, free of charge, in the USA or Puerto Rico from the date of original purchase in the event of a defect in materials or workmanship as follows (all time periods start from the date of original purchase):

**Parts** - one (1) year (except magnetron).

**Magnetron Tube** - five (5) years.

**Labor** - one (1) year on all parts (including, without limitations, magnetron tube). After the labor warranty has expired, the purchaser pays for all labor charges for removal and installation of parts (including, without limitation, magnetron tube).

In-home service in the USA can be obtained during the warranty period by contacting a Panasonic Services company (PASC) Factory Servicenter listed in the Servicenter Directory. Or call, toll free, 1-800-211-PANA(7262) to locate a PASC authorized Servicenter.

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This warranty is extended only to the original purchaser. A purchase receipt or other proof of date of original purchase will be required before warranty service is rendered.

This warranty only covers failures due to defects in materials or workmanship which occur during normal use and does not cover glass, plastic parts, temperature probes (if included), and the exterior and interior finish.

The warranty does not cover damages which occur in shipment, or failures which are caused by products not supplied by the warrantor, or failures which result from accident, misuse, abuse, neglect, mishandling, misapplication, faulty installation, improper set-up adjustments, operation and/or maintenance, or alteration, modification, power line surge, improper voltage supply, lightning damage, or commercial use such as hotel, office, restaurant or other business or rental use of the product, or service by anyone other than PANASONIC SERVICES COMPANY authorized repair facility, or damage that is attributable to acts of God.

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There are no express warranties except as listed above.

THE WARRANTOR SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES RESULTING FROM THE USE OF THIS PRODUCT, OR ARISING OUT OF ANY BREACH OF THIS WARRANTY. ALL EXPRESS AND IMPLIED WARRANTIES, INCLUDING THE WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, ARE LIMITED TO THE APPLICABLE WARRANTY PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE.

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