

# **MARATHON** Deluxe Chest Freezer



## **Owner's Use & Care Guide**

**MCF70GRD -1 | MCF89W -1 | MCF106GRD -1**

### **Congratulations on the purchase of your new Marathon Freezer!**

To activate your Warranty, please register your appliance at **[www.stirlingmarathon.com](http://www.stirlingmarathon.com)** or by completing and mailing the enclosed Warranty Registration Card. We are confident you will have years of hassle-free enjoyment and ask that you please retain the Use & Care Guide for future reference and your safety.

Before installing please, read your Use & Care guide carefully and pay special attention to the Safety & Warning information outlined in the following pages.

***For immediate assistance: 1-844-309-9777***  
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## Important Safety Information

### ⚠ WARNING ⚠

#### SUFFOCATION HAZARD AND RISK OF CHILD ENTRAPMENT

To avoid the possibility of child entrapment, please take the following precautions before throwing out the freezer

**Remove the freezer lid completely from the freezer cabinet.**

**Never allow children to operate, play with, or crawl inside the freezer.**

#### Before first use

Before connecting the freezer to an electrical power supply, let it stand upright for approximately 4 hours to let the refrigerant settle in the compressor. This will reduce the possibility of malfunctions in the cooling system due to transportation. Please wipe and clean the interior of the freezer thoroughly with a damp, non-abrasive cloth.

## Parts Description

- 1.Handle
- 2.Safety Lock
- 3.Freezer Lid
- 4.Freezer Baskets(4)
- 5.Electronic Thermostat
- 6.Casters (Factory installed on MCF70GRD-1)
- 7.Defrost Drain
- 8.LED Light





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## Installation

Adequate air circulation should be around the appliance to prevent overheating. Please Keep at least 4" on both sides and 36" at the top of the freezer for ventilation, easy access and removal of the freezer baskets.

- The appliances must not be located close to radiators or cookers.
- Make sure that the main plug is accessible after the installation of the appliance.



**WARNING!** The electrical outlet must be easily accessible after installation in the event you need to disconnect the refrigerator from the main power outlet.

Before plugging your chest freezer, ensure that the voltage and frequency shown on the rating plate correspond to your power supply. The appliance must be "grounded" and the power cord plug is provided with a "ground" for this purpose.

If the power supply socket is not "grounded", connect the refrigerator to a separate "ground" in compliance with local and Federal regulations after consulting a certified electrician. The manufacturer declines all responsibility if the above safety precautions are not observed. This appliances complies with the E.E.C. Directives.

## Care and Cleaning

For hygienic reasons the appliances interior, including accessories, should be cleaned regularly.



**CAUTION!** The appliance must not be connected to power while cleaning.  
**Danger of electrical shock**

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Before cleaning switch the appliance off and remove the plug from the outlets, or switch off or turn off the circuit break or fuse. Never clean the appliance with a steamer cleaner. Moisture could accumulate in electrical components, danger of electrical shock! Hot vapours can lead to damage to plastic parts. The appliance must be dry before it is reconnected to a power supply.



**IMPORTANT!** Ethereal oils and organic solvents can attack plastic parts, e.g. lemon juice or the juice from orange peel, butyric acid, a cleanser that contains acetic acid.

- Do not allow such substances to come into contact with appliance parts.
- Do not use any abrasive cleaners or brushes.
- Remove the food from the freezer. Store them in a cooler place, well covered
- Switch the appliance off and remove the plug from the outlets, or turn the circuit breaker or fuse.
- Clean the appliance and the interior accessories with a cloth and lukewarm soapy water. After cleaning wipe with fresh water and rub dry.
- The appliance must be completely dry before reconnecting to a power supply.



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## Installing the casters

**Model:** MCF89W-1 & MCF106GRD-1

**Recommended:** 2 person task

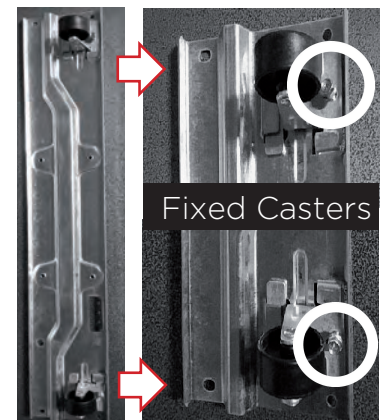
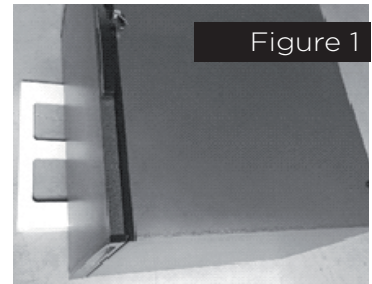
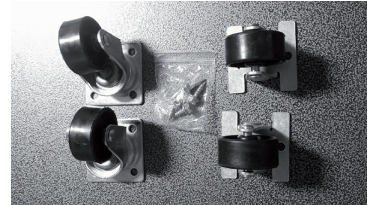
**Tools Required:** #8 metric (5/16") wrench or socket set,  
or Philips Screwdriver

**Contents:** 2 swivel & 2 fixed castors with 4 x #8 screws

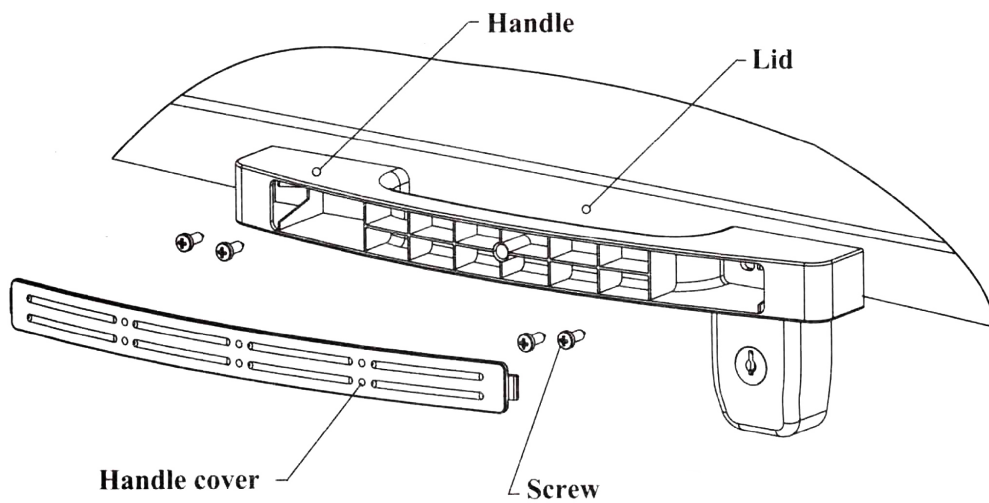
**1)** With another person, carefully lay your Marathon Freezer on its back, supported by a large piece of Styrofoam from the packaging or another soft object.  
(figure 1.)

**2)** Slide the swivel caster into the angled bracket at both the top and bottom LH side making sure the hole lines up for the screw. Only 1 screw is required per caster. Tighten using a #8 socket or wrench. Insert the fixed castors into the top and bottom RH side compressor support panel making sure the hole lines up for the screw and tighten. Tighten using a #8 socket or wrench. **DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN.**

**3)** With another person, carefully lift your Marathon Freezer back upright onto the casters. Wait at least 4 hours before plugging the unit into a power source.



## Installing the handle



1. Affix the handle to the lid using the 4 screws.
2. Put the handle cover onto the handle





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### **Temperature Settings**

Set the desired temperature on the thermostat control knob as follows: Position 1 - Cold  
Position 5 - Colder. Normally set at this position  
Position 7 - Coldest

### **Power & Compressor Running Lights**

*The red power indication light will remain on for the entire time the unit is plugged in.*

*The green compressor running light will only come on when the compressor is running to cool the unit.*



### **Interior LED light**

The interior light is located in the middle of the lid. The LED light will turn on each time the lid is opened to make it easier to locate items in your freezer.



### **Double row storage for easy organization**

Our innovative double row basket design allows for multi-level storage of your frozen goods.

These baskets can be removed to accommodate larger items and more storage flexibility.



## Use and Care

### Frozen Food

When first starting-up or after a period out of use, before putting the product in the compartment let the appliance run at least 2 hours on the higher settings.

**⚠ Important!** In the event of accidental defrosting, for example, the power has been off for a long period of time, the defrosted food must be consumed quickly or cooked immediately and then re-frozen (after cooked).

- Ensure that frozen goods are quickly transferred to the freezer in the shortest possible time
- Avoid opening the door frequently or leave it open longer than necessary.
- Once defrosted, food should not be re-frozen;
- Do not exceed the recommended storage period indicated on the package or by manufacturer
- Frozen food can be thawed in a refrigerator or at room temperature before use.

### Defrosting the freezer

The freezer does require periodic defrosting due to frost/ice build up based on use.

Never use sharp metal tools to scrape off frost from the inside of the freezer as you could damage the freezer.

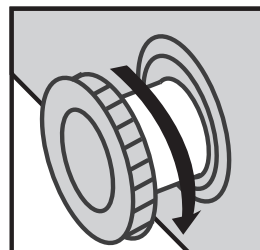
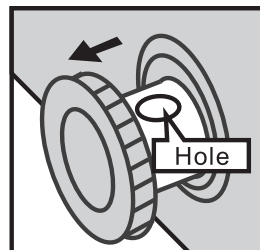
When the ice build up becomes thick in the freezer compartment, it is time to defrost your freezer as follows:

- Set the thermostat dial to “0” to defrost.
- Remove all contents from the freezer compartment.
- Unplug the unit. Remove the drain plug from the inside of the freezer.
- Defrosting usually takes a few hours. To defrost faster keep the freezer lid open.
- Place a tray underneath the outer drain plug. Pull out the drain dial. Rotate the drain dial 180 degrees to allow the water flow out of the freezer and into the tray.

**Note:** Monitor the tray under the drain, emptying as required to avoid water overflowing.

When done, rotate the drain dial 180 degrees and push it back into the cabinet.

- Wipe the residual moisture out of the freezer and replace the electrical plug in the electrical outlet.
- Reset the temperature control to the desired setting.





## Troubleshooting

**⚠ Caution!** Before troubleshooting, disconnect the power supply. Only a qualified electrician or competent person must do the troubleshooting that is not in this manual.

**Important!** There are some sounds during normal use (compressor, refrigerant circulation).

Problem	Possible cause	Solution
Appliance does not work	The plug is not plugged in or is loose.	Re-insert power cord
	The fuse has blown or is defective.	Check the fuse, and replace if it necessary.
	The electrical outlet is defective or controlled by a light switch.	Check if power is controlled by a light switch or contact an electrician.
Appliance freezes too much	The temperature is set too cold or the appliance runs at MAX setting.	Turn the temperature regulator to a warmer setting temporarily.
The food is not frozen enough.	The temperature is not properly adjusted.	Please look in the initial Temperature Setting section.
	The freezer lid was not closed properly.	Ensure the freezer lid is closed correctly.
	A large quantity of warm food was placed in the appliance within the last 24 hours.	Turn the temperature regulation to a colder setting temporarily.
	The appliance is near a heat source.	Please look in the installation location section.
Heavy build-up of frost on the door seal.	The freezer lid is not closing tightly.	Carefully warm the leaking sections of the door seal with a hairdryer (on a cool setting). At the same time shape the warmed door seal by hand such that it sits correctly and the lid closes.
Unusual noises	The appliance is touching the wall or other objects.	Move the appliance slightly.
	A component, e.g. a pipe, on the rear of the appliance is touching another part of the appliance or the wall.	If necessary, carefully bend the component out of the way.

If the issue persists after completing the steps provided above, contact the Stirling Marathon Service Center. This data is necessary to help our team quickly and correctly diagnose minor issues. Write the necessary data here, refer to the rating plate.

For any Questions or concerns, please contact us at [customerservice@stirlingmarathon.com](mailto:customerservice@stirlingmarathon.com) or visit us at [www.stirlingmarathon.com](http://www.stirlingmarathon.com)





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## 2 Years Limited Warranty

When operated and maintained according to the instructions in the Use & Care Guide, Marathon, a registered trademark of Stirling Marathon Limited, agrees to repair or replace this product for 2 years from the date of original purchase and/or agrees to pay for parts and service/labour required to correct defects in materials or workmanship. Any Service must be approved and provided by an Authorized Stirling Marathon Service provider. YOUR EXCLUSIVE REMEDY UNDER THIS LIMITED WARRANTY SHALL BE PRODUCT REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF STIRLING MARATHON LIMITED AS PROVIDED HEREIN. This limited warranty is valid only in Canada and the Continental United States with proof of original purchase and confirmed warranty registration.

TERMS OF WARRANTY BY PRODUCT	Capacity/Type	Warranty Type
Refrigeration & Freezer	Less than 6 cu.ft	Carry-In
Refrigeration & Freezer	Greater than 6 cu.ft.	In-Home
Electric & Gas Ranges	All Sizes	In-Home

## How to Obtain Service

**Carry-In:** The original purchaser must deliver or ship the defective product to an authorized Stirling Marathon Service present a copy of the original bill of sale or Warranty Registration Confirmation.

**In-Home:** Contact Authorized Service Center and provide a copy of the Original bill of sale or Warranty Registration Card. If you are in a remote area or the closest Authorized Service Center is further than 100 km (60 miles), you will be required to deliver the appliance to the closest Service Center at your expense.

Stirling Marathon is not responsible or liable for any spoilage or damage to food or other contents of this appliance, whether due to any defect of the appliance, or its use, whether proper or improper.

## Items Excluded from Warranty

- Damages due to shipping or improper installation.
- Damages due to misuse or abuse.
- Content losses due to failure of the unit.
- Commercial or Rental Use Limited to 90 days Parts & Labour.
- Plastic parts such as door bins, panels, door shelves, racks, light bulbs, etc.
- Punctures to the evaporator system due to improper defrosting of the unit.
- Service or Repair by unauthorized service technicians.
- Service calls that do not involve defects in material and workmanship such as instruction on proper use of the product, door reversal or improper installation.
- Replacement or resetting of house fuses or circuit breakers.
- Delivery costs incurred as the result of a unit that fails.
- Expenses for travel and transportation for product service if your appliance is located in a remote area where service by an unauthorized service technician is not available.
- The removal and reinstallation of your appliance if it is installed in an inaccessible location or is not installed in accordance with published installation instructions.
- Liability under this warranty is limited to repair, replacement or refund. If a replacement unit is not available or the unit cannot be repaired, liability is limited to the actual.
- Purchase price paid by the consumer.
- This warranty applies only to the original purchaser and does not extend to any subsequent owner(s) and is non-transferable.
- No warranty or insurance herein contained or set out shall apply when damage or repair is caused by any of the following:
  - Accident, alteration, abuse or misuse of the appliance such as inadequate air circulation in the room or abnormal operating conditions (extremely high or low room temperature).
- Use for commercial or industrial purposes (i.e. If the appliance is not installed in a domestic residence). Fire, water damage, theft, war, riot, hostility, acts of God such as hurricanes, floods etc.
- Service calls resulting in customer education.
- Improper installation (ie. Building-in of a free-standing appliance or using an appliance outdoors that is not approved for outdoor application).

For Service or Assistance please contact us at:  
**warranty@stirlingmarathon.com** or visit us at **www.stirlingmarathon.com**.