

# PRESTO®

## EverSharp® *electric knife sharpener*

- The fast and easy way to sharpen kitchen and sports knives.
- Two-stage sharpening system for professional results at home. Quickly and easily sharpens most any non-serrated blade.
- Precision blade guides automatically hold the knife at the ideal sharpening angle.

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## INSTRUCTIONS

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Form 72-506G

This is a  Listed appliance. The following important safeguards are recommended by most portable appliance manufacturers.

### IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

To reduce the risk of personal injury or property damage when using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including the following:

1. Read all instructions before using this appliance.
2. To protect against the risk of electrical shock, do not put the knife sharpener in water or other liquids.
3. This appliance is not intended for use by children or by persons with reduced physical, sensory, or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used near children. Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
4. Turn the appliance OFF, then unplug from the outlet when not in use, before assembling or disassembling parts, and before cleaning. To unplug, grasp the plug and pull from the outlet. Never pull from the power cord.
5. Avoid contact with moving parts.
6. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or in the event the appliance malfunctions or is dropped or damaged in any manner. Return this appliance to the Presto Service Department for examination, repair, or electrical or mechanical adjustment.
7. The use of accessory attachments not recommended or sold by the appliance manufacturer may cause fire, electric shock, or injury. Use only genuine Presto® accessory attachments and replacement parts.
8. Do not use outdoors.
9. Do not let the cord hang over the edge of the table or counter, or touch hot surfaces.
10. Do not place on or near a hot gas or electric burner, or in a heated oven.
11. Do not use this appliance for other than intended use.
12. Carefully route the power supply cord to avoid damage from the knife blades while sharpening.

### SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

THIS APPLIANCE IS FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY.

## Important Cord Information

This appliance has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other). To reduce the risk of electric shock, this plug is intended to fit into a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully into the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Do not attempt to modify the plug in any way.

A short power supply cord is provided to reduce the risk of becoming entangled in or tripping over a longer cord. An extension cord may be used if care is properly exercised in its use. If an extension cord is used, the marked electrical rating of the extension cord should be at least as great as the electrical rating of the appliance. The extension cord should be arranged so that it will not drape over the countertop or tabletop where it can be pulled on by children or tripped over unintentionally.

Connect the power supply cord to a 120VAC electrical outlet only.

## How to Use

Your Presto® EverSharp® electric knife sharpener will sharpen knives of alloy, carbon, or stainless steel. It is designed to sharpen kitchen knives and most sporting knives.

**Do not attempt to sharpen scissors, serrated electric knives, or any blade that does not fit freely in the blade guide slots.**

1. For best results, moisten the bottom of the suction feet on the knife sharpener. Place the unit on a stable surface. Turn the unit ON by pressing the “I” on the ON/OFF switch (Fig. A).
2. There is a number at the base of each set of slots (Fig. A). The side with the “1” is Stage 1 and the side with the “2” is Stage 2. Each stage has two slots, one for sharpening each side of the knife.

STAGE 1: PRECISION GRINDING begins the sharpening process by creating a precision angled edge. Use this stage if your knife is dull or is being sharpened for the first time.

**NOTE:** Do not use Stage 1 when sharpening serrated blades.

STAGE 2: FINE HONING completes the sharpening process by honing and polishing the knife to an exact razor-sharp edge. Use this stage if your knife just needs a touch-up sharpening.

3. Begin sharpening. The sharpening procedure is the same for each stage.

### **Sharpening Procedure:**

Begin by placing the knife in the left slot of the stage in use (Fig. B). The side of the blade should rest against the outside face of the blade guide slot, and the cutting edge should make contact with the sharpening wheel.

**NOTICE:** Never insert the knife into the blade guide slots tip-first and push through. This could damage the knife sharpener and your knife.

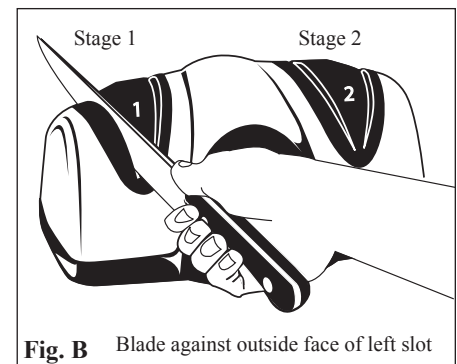
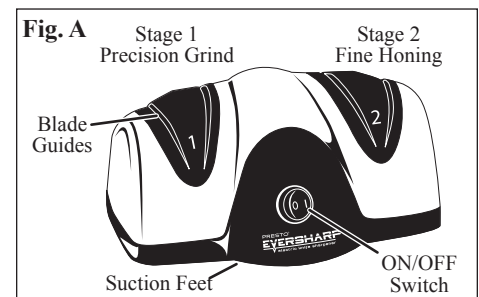
Using only light downward pressure, slowly pull the knife towards you through the slot, making sure to keep the cutting edge parallel with the table or the countertop, except when sharpening the tip of the blade. If the motor slows while pulling the knife, apply less downward pressure.

To sharpen the tip, lift up on the knife handle slightly as the curved portion of the blade is drawn through the slots.

**NOTE:** The greater the curve on the blade, the more you will need to lift up on the handle. The lesser the curve, the less you will need to lift up on the handle.

Certain blades may not have a curve; therefore, it will not be necessary to lift up on the handle as you draw the tip through the slots.

Draw the knife through the left and right slots three times, alternating passes between the two slots. Allow approximately one second for each two inches of blade when drawing the knife through the slots. For example, if sharpening a knife with a 6-inch blade, you should take approximately three seconds for each pass.



4. Before using the knife to slice food, always wipe the knife blade with a damp cloth to remove any metal filings that may have been deposited during the sharpening process.

**CAUTION!** To avoid injury, handle knives with extreme care.

5. If the knife does not easily slice food, repeat Stages 1 and 2.

**CAUTION!** Do not run fingers along the edge of the knife to check sharpness.

6. When sharpening is complete, turn the unit off by pressing the symbol “O” on the ON/OFF switch.

## Questions and Answers

### *How often should I sharpen my knives?*

Hone the knife prior to each use if you want to maintain a razor-sharp edge. After extensive use, if you have honed the knife and it no longer slices food with ease, run the knife through both Stage 1 and Stage 2.

### *How can I tell if my knife is sharp?*

Use it to slice food. If the knife does not slice the food with ease, it needs additional sharpening. Repeat Stages 1 and 2.

**CAUTION!** Do not run fingers along the edge of the knife to check sharpness.

### *My knife is not sharp and I've gone through the whole knife sharpening procedure twice. What am I doing wrong?*

Although unusual, there are times when you will have to repeat Stages 1 and 2 more than once. This may occur during the first sharpening of a knife that has been improperly sharpened by another process previously. It may also occur when sharpening knives of tempered steel which have extremely hard blades, such as some hunting knives.

To sharpen these types of knives with the Presto® EverSharp® knife sharpener, simply continue to repeat Stages 1 and 2 until the knife cuts food easily. Depending on the condition of the knife blade, you may have to repeat the process several times. In extreme cases, this could be 10 times or more.

This extended process will only be necessary the first time you use the knife sharpener for this type of knife. Thereafter, you will be able to sharpen your knife following the normal sharpening procedure.

### *Sometimes the sharpening wheels stall when I am drawing the knife through the blade guide slots. What causes this?*

The knife sharpener is designed so that very little effort is needed to draw the knife through the blade guide slots. If downward pressure is applied to the knife as it is being drawn through the slots, the sharpening wheels will stall.

### *How do I get an even edge on my knife?*

To get an even edge, be sure to hold the cutting edge of the knife parallel with the table or the countertop while sharpening.

When sharpening the tip of the blade, lift up on the knife handle slightly as the curved portion of the blade is drawn through the blade guide slots.

### *Occasionally I see sparks when sharpening my knives. What causes this?*

Knives with high carbon content (usually higher quality knives) sometimes will spark when they come in contact with the sharpening wheels. This is normal.

### *Can I sharpen serrated knives with my Presto® EverSharp® knife sharpener?*

Yes, with the exception of electric serrated knives or knives serrated on both sides.

To sharpen non-electric serrated knives, use only the slots in Stage 2 and only sharpen the smooth side of the knife blade (the side without the grooves). Draw the knife through the slots using very little pressure.

**NOTICE:** Each time the serrated knife is sharpened, a portion of the serration will be removed. Over a long period of time, the serration on the knife may be completely removed, resulting in a knife blade similar to that of a utility knife.

## Care and Cleaning

Always unplug the knife sharpener before cleaning.

The outside surface of the knife sharpener may be cleaned with a damp cloth. Do not use abrasives.

**Never immerse the knife sharpener in water or any other liquid.**

Do not use any type of lubrication with the Presto® EverSharp® electric knife sharpener.

Your knife sharpener has two special receptacles on the bottom of the unit for collecting metal filings from your knives. Occasionally empty these receptacles by removing the red plastic plugs on the bottom of the unit and shaking out the metal filings that have collected inside. This should be done about once a year under normal usage.

## Consumer Service Information

If you have any questions regarding the operation of your Presto® appliance, or need parts or repair for your appliance, please contact us by any of these methods:

- Call 1-800-877-0441 weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Central Time)
- Email us through our website at [www.GoPresto.com/contact](http://www.GoPresto.com/contact)
- Chat at [GoPresto.com](http://GoPresto.com) weekdays 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 3 p.m. (Central Time)
- Write: National Presto Industries, Inc., Consumer Service Department  
3925 North Hastings Way, Eau Claire, WI 54703-3703

Inquiries will be answered promptly by email, telephone, or letter. When emailing or writing, please include a phone number and a time when you can be reached during weekdays if possible.

When contacting the Consumer Service Department, please indicate the model and the series numbers for the knife sharpener. These numbers can be found on the bottom of the knife sharpener. Please record this information:

Model \_\_\_\_\_ Series \_\_\_\_\_ Date Purchased \_\_\_\_\_

The Presto Service Department is equipped to service Presto® appliances and supply genuine Presto® replacement parts. Genuine Presto® replacement parts are manufactured to the same exacting quality standards as Presto® appliances and are engineered specifically to function properly with its appliances. Presto can only guarantee the quality and performance of genuine Presto® replacement parts. “Look-alikes” might not be of the same quality or function in the same manner. To ensure that you are buying genuine Presto® replacement parts, look for the Presto® trademark.

## Product Registration

**IMPORTANT:** Please go online and register this product within 10 days of purchase. Proper registration will serve as proof of purchase in the event your original receipt becomes misplaced or lost. Registration will not affect warranty coverage, but it may expedite the processing of warranty claims. The additional information requested will help us develop new products that best meet your needs and desires.

To register the product, visit [www.GoPresto.com/registration](http://www.GoPresto.com/registration) or simply scan this QR code. If you do not have computer access, contact the Consumer Service Department at 1-800-877-0441 for assistance with registration.



### Presto® Limited Warranty

*(Applies only in the United States)*

This quality Presto® appliance is designed and built to provide many years of satisfactory performance under normal household use. Presto pledges to the original owner that should there be any defects in material or workmanship during the first year after delivery of the Presto® appliance, we will repair or replace it at our option. Our pledge does not apply to damage caused by shipping. ***Outside the United States, this limited warranty does not apply.***

To obtain service under the warranty, please call our Consumer Service Department at 1-800-877-0441 or visit [www.GoPresto.com/contact](http://www.GoPresto.com/contact). If unable to resolve the problem, you will be instructed to send your Presto® appliance to the Presto Service Department for a quality inspection; shipping costs will be your responsibility. When returning an appliance, please include your name, address, phone number, and the date you purchased the appliance, as well as a description of the problem you are encountering with the appliance.

Because we cannot control the quality of appliances sold by unauthorized sellers, this warranty applies only to appliances that were purchased from Presto® or a Presto authorized seller, unless otherwise prohibited by law. We reserve the right to reject warranty claims for appliances purchased from unauthorized sellers, including unauthorized internet sites. For additional information, simply scan this QR code or visit [www.GoPresto.com/downloads/warranty](http://www.GoPresto.com/downloads/warranty).



We want you to obtain maximum enjoyment from using this Presto® appliance and ask that you read and follow the instructions enclosed. Failure to follow instructions, damage caused by improper replacement parts, abuse, misuse, disassembly, alterations, or neglect will void this pledge. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state. This is Presto's personal pledge to you and is being made in place of all other express warranties.

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