

Refrigerating appliances, ice cream makers and ice cream appliances

Safe use advice for appliances whose rated voltage is no more than 250V for single phase appliances, 480V for other appliances and 24V dc for appliances when battery operated.

This **safe use** advice also applies to appliances not intended for normal household use, and may be useful to laypersons in shops, light industry and on farms and other premises.

This advice is not intended to replace specific manufacturer's information but can be used as a general guide.

This advice does not cater for young children or people who are physically weak.

These appliances are:

- Refrigerating appliances for household and similar use;
- Ice-makers incorporating a motor-compressor and ice-makers intended to be incorporated in frozen food storage compartments;
- Refrigerating appliances and ice-makers used in camping, touring caravans and boats for leisure purposes.
- The appliances may be operated from the mains, from a separate battery or both.

When using refrigerating appliances suitable for camping use:

- The appliance may be connected to more than one source of energy;
- Avoid exposing it to rain since this may create a hazard.

Also when using the appliance:

- Keep ventilation openings, in the appliance enclosure or in the built-in structure, clear of obstruction.
- Do not use mechanical devices or other means to accelerate the defrosting process, other than those recommended by the manufacturer.
- Do not damage the refrigerant circuit where accessible.

WARNING: when using ice-makers: **Connect to potable water supply only or fill with potable water only.**

To avoid a hazard caused by instability for fixed appliances, you may need to fix the appliance in place.

You are urged to:

- Use the appliance only for its intended purpose.

- If the appliance is for indoor use only, do not use outdoors.
- Do not immerse the appliance in water unless it is designed for this purpose.
- Keep hands, fingers, feet, toes and hair away from dangerous moving parts, cutting blades and the like.
- Do not use electrical appliances in the rain.
- Make sure you have dry hands when operating an electrical appliance.
- Do not use a damaged appliance.
- An appliance may not be intended for use by children or people with an illness or disability without supervision.
- Young children should not be allowed to play with the appliance.
- Some appliances require special precautions for installation or user maintenance or both.
- The plug must be removed from the socket-outlet before any cleaning or maintenance is done.
- Do not place cord extension sockets or portable power outlet boards where they may be splashed or where moisture may get in.
- Ensure ventilation holes or outlets are not blocked or partially obstructed.
- If a fixed appliance does not have a supply cord and plug or other means for disconnection from the supply, a means for disconnection must be incorporated into the fixed wiring according to the Wiring Rules.
- If the supply cord or plug is damaged:
 - The manufacturer or its service agent or a similarly qualified person must replace the cord to prevent an accident.
 - Appliances with specially prepared cords must be replaced by a special cord or assembly available from the manufacturer or its service agent.
 - Other appliances that have a supply cord that cannot be replaced, should be scrapped.
- The appliance should be maintained in order to ensure a long, useful life and to protect the operator against electric shock or mechanical mishaps.
- A safety switch can enhance electrical safety when using electrical appliances