

## PANASONIC NI-C79SR Owner's Manual

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## Electric Steam Iron Operating Instructions

NI-C75TR

Model No. NI-C55SR/C75TR/C76SR/C77XR/C78SR/C79SR

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### SAFE USE OF THE IRON

#### Your safety and the safety of others are very important

We have provided important safety messages in this manual and on your appliance. Always read and obey all safety messages.



This is the safety alert symbol. It is used to alert you to potential hazards that can kill or injure you and others. The safety messages will follow the safety alert symbol and either the word "WARNING" or "CAUTION". These words mean:



You can be killed or seriously injured if you don't follow these instructions.



You can be exposed to a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.

The safety messages will tell you what the potential hazard is, how to reduce the chance of injury, and what can happen if the instructions are not followed.

### Thank you for purchasing a Panasonic Iron

Your iron is an appliance to be used only for ironing fabrics on an ironing board.

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS



To reduce the risk of burns, electric shock, fire, or injury to persons,

when using your iron, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including the following:

#### READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THE IRON

- 1. Use the iron only for its intended purpose, for ironing fabrics on board. To protect against burns or injury to persons, do not iron or steam fabrics while being worn on the body.
- 2. To protect against the risk of electric shock, do not immerse the iron or cord in water or other liquids.
- 3. The iron should always be turned to "OFF" before plugging or unplugging from outlet. Never yank Cord to disconnect from outlet, instead, grasp Plug and pull to disconnect.
- 4. Do not allow Cord to touch hot surfaces. Allow the iron to cool completely before storing. Retract Cord into Cord Reel Unit when storing.

- 5. The Power Cord and Plug may present a risk of personal injury when the Cord is allowed to retract freely. Always hold the Plug and Cord with one hand while pressing the Cord Wind Button with other hand, and retract the Cord slowly to reduce the risk of the Cord "WHIPPING", which has the potential risk of causing injury to the face, eyes, etc.
  - Never allow children to play with the iron or the retractable Power Cord.
- 6. Always disconnect iron from electrical outlet when filling or emptying water and when not in use.
- 7. To avoid the risk of electric shock, do not operate iron with a damaged cord or if the iron has been dropped or damaged. Do not disassemble the iron. Incorrect reassembly can cause a risk of electric shock when the iron is used. For repair, take it to a qualified serviceman.
- Close supervision is necessary for this appliance being used by or near children. Do not leave iron unattended while connected or on an ironing board.
- 9. Burns can occur from touching hot metal parts, hot water, or steam. Hot water may leak from the iron. Use caution when filling or turning the steam iron upside down.
- 10. To protect against burns or injury to persons, do not direct steam toward the body when ironing or self-cleaning.
- 11. The iron must be used and rested on a stable surface. When placing the iron on its Heel Rest, ensure that the surface on which the Heel Rest is placed is stable.
- 12. Do not use the appliance with the Cord in tangled condition. The supply Cord might be damaged as a result.

## SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS



To reduce the risk of electric shock or fire:

- Do not operate another high wattage appliance on the same circuit, to avoid a circuit overload.
- 2. If an extension cord is absolutely necessary, use a cord rated a minimum of 10 amperes.

Cords rated for less amperage may overheat, and should not be used. Care should be taken to arrange the cord so that it can not be accidentally pulled or tripped over.



To reduce the risk of personal injury and damage to your iron:

1. Never use steam iron cleaning products in the iron, as they may damage working parts of the iron.

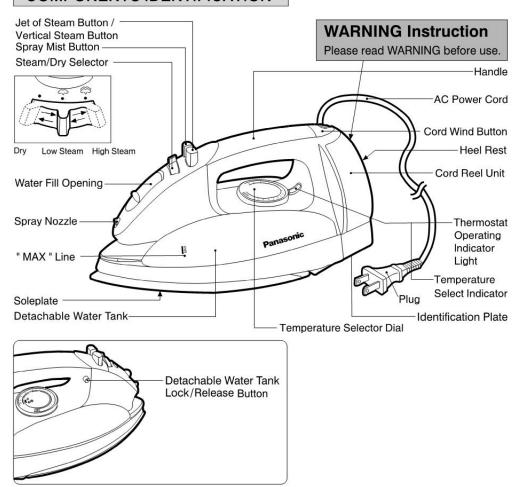
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- 2. Do not use water additives or substitute water such as linen or scented water in the steam iron. They can stain fabrics.
- 3. If the Steam/Dry Selector is not at Dry position after using, remaining water will move into the Soleplate and can result in burns at the next use of the iron.
- 4. Don't use the Steam or Jet of Steam, while AC Cord is unpluged, water will remain inside the Soleplate which will cause staining. Please do not use Steam or Jet of Steam while Temperature Selector Dial set to "OFF".

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

For proper use of your iron, read remaining safety cautions and operation instructions.

#### **COMPONENTS IDENTIFICATION**



#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROPER USE OF THE RETRACTABLE **POWER CORD**

Please see WARNING on page 2-3

- 1. Unwind the Power Cord far enough to plug into a wall outlet, allowing enough length to operate the iron.
- 2. If the Power Cord seems hard to unwind due to improper winding, pull firmly until it is released.
- 3. When retracting the Power Cord, always hold the Plug with one hand while pressing the Cord Wind Button with the other hand, and retract the Cord slowly.
- 4. If the Cord does not retract completely, pull it out slightly and wind it again while guiding it into the reel.

#### READ THIS INSTRUCTION BOOK THOROUGHLY BEFORE USING YOUR Panasonic IRON TO BECOME FAMILIAR WITH THE IRON FEATURES

#### HELPFUL IRONING TIPS

The Temperature Selector Dial of the Panasonic iron has numbers, dots and steam symbols.

- 1. The numbers are indicated as 1 (lowest setting) through 6 (highest setting). For general information of the number settings, refer to the heel rest. For more detailed information, refer to page 12 of this instruction book.
- 2. The dots are symbols for 3 temperature ranges:
  - Low Temperature
  - Medium Temperature
  - ••• High Temperature

Some fabrics are labeled with these dots as a guide for selecting the proper ironing temperature setting.

3. The steam symbols are used for selecting steam settings. For further details, refer to page 6-10







As a guide to the Fabric Care Symbols, the following symbols are printed for your information.

Fabric Care Symbols









Bleaching Ironing Dry Cleaning A symbol crossed out indicates that the article of clothing must not be subjected to the particular treatment.

EXAMPLE:(DO NOT BLEACH)

Before ironing, sort the garments according to the different heat settings required. Iron fabrics that require a lower temperature first.

Do not touch plastic buttons with a hot iron because they may melt.

Be careful around zippers and similar items to prevent the Soleplate from scratching.

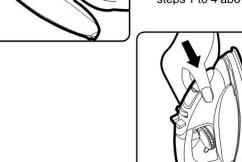
#### HOW TO FILL WITH WATER

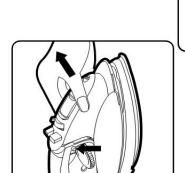
Make sure the iron is turned off and the AC Power Cord is unplugged from the electrical outlet. The iron can be filled with the Detachable Water Tank in place or removed. Confirm that the Steam /Dry Selector is set at the Dry ironing position ( LEFT ) when installing or removing the Tank.

- When the iron is sitting up on the Heel Rest, press the Tank Lock/Release Button down and the Tank will be released.
- Grasp the Tank and lift it off the iron.

NOTE: Do not pull on or damage the rubber gasket that joins the main part of the iron with the Water Tank.

- Open the Water Fill Opening and fill the Tank up to the "MAX " Line on the Tank. To check the level of water, grasp the Tank vertically.
- To re-install the Tank, set the Tank onto the main body and press into place until a click sound is heard.
- 5. The water level can be observed through the transparent part of the Tank, when iron is placed vertically. When the water level becomes low, refill the Tank, following the procedure described in steps 1 to 4 above.





#### Note:

Most tap water can be used in this iron. If water is very hard, distilled or demineralized water should be used. Do not use water processed through home water softening systems because this water contains minerals that may be harmful to the iron. Do not use water additives or substitute water such as linen or scented water in the steam iron. They can stain fabrics or damage the iron.

#### **HOW TO USE AS A STEAM IRON**

- 1. Fill the iron as described in " HOW TO FILL WITH WATER ".
- 2. Position the iron vertically and be sure the Temperature Selector Dial is set to " OFF ".
- 3. Plug the AC Cord into the electrical outlet.
- 4. Set the Temperature Selector Dial to the or selecto

- "  $\stackrel{\frown}{\bigcirc}$  " zone: Low Steam, for thin or delicate fabrics requiring a small amount of steam.
- " cone: High Steam, for fabrics requiring a lot of steam (i. e. thick materials, items with stubborn wrinkles).
- 5. Preheat the iron until the Indicator Light goes out, usually about 1-2 minutes.
  This Light will go on and off during ironing to indicate the temperature chosen by the Temperature Selector Dial is being maintained.
- Hold the iron horizontally and move the Steam/Dry Selector into the steam position. Steam/Dry Selector is regulated as follows.

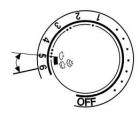
NOTE: 3 Positions Steam/Dry Selector.





(Right: for High Steam, Center: for Low Steam)





|   | Temperature Zone | Steam/Dry Selector Position |  |
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7. Whenever the iron is positioned vertically, the steaming action will stop.



Do not use the Steam/Dry Selector at low or high steam positions until the Thermostat Operating Indicator Light turns off after setting the Temperature Setting Dial within the steam range. Otherwise hot water may leak from the Soleplate and burns may result.

#### HOW TO USE "JET-OF-STEAM" FEATURE

The "Jet-of-Steam" feature provides extra steam which goes deep into the garment and is helpful for removing stubborn wrinkles. The "Jet-of-Steam" feature operates properly only in the " "indication area of the Temperature Selector Dial when steam or dry ironing (If used at lower setting, water spotting will occur because the iron is not hot enough to change water to steam). If you have not used the "Jet-of-Steam" feature for a long time, it is necessary to clean the inside of the iron before using this feature on any clothes to be ironed. Simply test the "Jet-of-Steam" feature several times away from the ironing board and clothes to be ironed. This will prevent brown spotting or water spotting on the clothes.

- 1. Fill the iron as described in " HOW TO FILL WITH WATER ".
- Position the iron vertically and be sure the Temperature Selector Dial is set to "OFF".
  - Plug the AC Power Cord into the electrical outlet.
- Set the Temperature Selector Dial to the " " indication area.
- Preheat the iron until the Indicator Light goes out, usually about 1-2 minutes.
- 5. Simply pump the "Jet-of-Steam Button " when steam is desired. Pump the "Jet-of-Steam Button " several times at the beginning of each ironing session.
- 6. Allow at least 2-5 seconds between uses of "Jet-of-Steam Button" to prevent water spotting. Use a press cloth if necessary.

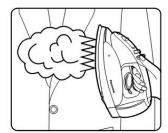




Do not use "Jet-of-Steam Button" until the Thermostat Operating Indicator Light turns off after setting the Temperature Selector Dial to " 6".

Otherwise hot water may leak from the Soleplate and burns may result.

#### HOW TO USE "VERTICAL STEAM" FEATURE



To get better results when using vertical steam, hang the garment on a clothes hanger. Curtains and drapes may also be steamed once they're hung. Hold the iron away from your body, close to but not touching the fabric. Pull the fabric tight with your free hand and pump the Vertical Steam Button(Jet-of-Steam Button) at 2-5 seconds intervals as you pass the iron over the wrinkled fabric.

## **AWARNING**

Never iron clothes on the body or point your iron at anyone when steaming. Keep hands and body away from steam areas while using vertical steam feature.

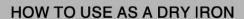
#### HOW TO USE THE SPRAY FEATURE

Before using the spray feature, check the fabric label for ironing instructions because some fabrics may be spotted or stained with moisture.

The spray feature is particularly helpful for removing stubborn wrinkles and where extra dampening is needed.

The spray may be used with steam or dry ironing.

- 1. Simply pump the Spray Mist Button when spray is desired. If the spray doesn't work immediately, keep pumping until it does.
- To get a finer spray, pump the Button vigorously.To get a more powerful spray, pump the Button more slowly. For best results, use a quick, full stroke.



- 1. Move the Steam/Dry Selector to the Dry position.
- 2. Position the iron vertically, set the Temperature Selector Dial to " OFF ".
- 3. Plug in the iron.
- 4. Set the Temperature Selector Dial to the desired position, (Refer to the Fabric Ironing Chart in this manual on page 12)
- 5. Preheat the iron until the Indicator Light goes out, usually about 1-2 minutes.

#### **SELF-CLEANING**

With the self-cleaning feature you can flush out mineral residue from the steam generating chamber and the steam vents, refreshing your iron each time for a longer steaming life. It is very important to operate the self-cleaning feature after each steam ironing to prevent mineral accumulations from hardening.

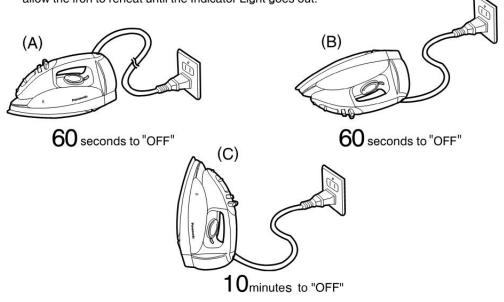
- Check water level. Water level should be at 1/2 full mark.
   When water level is less than half full, fill with water according to the instructions in " HOW TO FILL WITH WATER".
- Preheat at "6" setting (in about 1-2 minutes).Make sure that the Steam/Dry Selector is in the Dry position.
- 3. Set the Dial to "OFF" and remove the AC Plug.
- 4. Hold the iron horizontally over the sink.
- 5. Pump the "Jet-of-Steam Button " quickly (at least 3 times per second) about 20-30 times.
- While self-cleaning, tilt the iron up and down slowly to help clean the entire inside and let the water drip out of the soleplate vents.
- 7. Check that all water and steam have completely stopped coming out of the soleplate vents. After self-cleaning is finished empty any remaining water from the Water Tank, by turning the iron upside down to empty the Water Tank from water inlet.
- 8. Iron on a towel to remove any drops of water remaining on the bottom of iron.



- Allow the iron to cool and store on its Heel Rest. Never store an iron on its Soleplate or with water in it.
- 10. If water still remains inside the Soleplate after self-cleaning operation, dry out the iron by setting the iron on the "6" setting, to vaporize the remaining water. After the iron is dry, follow the instructions under " AFTER EACH USE ".

#### **ELECTRONIC 3-WAY AUTO SHUT-OFF FUNCTION**

- 1. When the iron is not moved with its Soleplate facing down (A) or on its side (B) for approx. 60 seconds, the iron will automatically shut off power to the heater.
- 2. When the iron is not moved on its Heel Rest (C) for approx. 10 minutes, the iron will automatically shut off power to the heater.
- 3. To resume ironing and turn the iron back on, simply move the iron in any manner. If the iron has been left in the auto shut off mode for 10 minutes or more, allow the iron to reheat until the Indicator Light goes out.



NOTE: 1. The Auto Shut-Off System works regardless of position of the Temperature Selector Dial.

2. Always unplug the iron when you finish ironing.

#### STAY CLEAN VENTS (Except NI-C55SR)

The built-in Anti Calcium System in the Detachable Water Tank continuously reduces scale build-up in the vaporizing chamber of the iron.

This system makes it possible to use the steam function for a long period of time and prevents steam vents from clogging.

#### HOW TO CARE FOR YOUR IRON

#### AFTER EACH USE

- 1. Turn the iron off and unplug.
- Empty the iron immediately after using.Do not store the iron with water in it.
- 3. Move the Steam/Dry Selector into the Dry position.

  If the Steam/Dry Selector is not in the Dry position

  after using, remaining water will move into the Soleplate and damage the Soleplate and may result in burns during the next initial use of the iron.
- 4. Wait until the iron has cooled before storing it, and always set it on the Heel Rest to protect the Soleplate from scratches, corrosion or stains.
- After letting iron cool completely, push the Cord Wind Button to wind the Cord. Store the iron vertically in a safe place after winding Cord completely.

Please see IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS on page 2 to 3, items 4 and 5.

#### OUTSIDE SURFACE OF IRON

After unplugging and cooling the iron, simply wipe off with a damp cloth and if necessary, use a mild detergent.

NEVER USE ANY HARSH CLEANERS.

#### SOLEPLATE

Starch and other residue may be easily removed from the Soleplate with a damp cloth. To avoid scratching the finish never use a metallic pad to clean the Soleplate, and never place the iron on a rough surface.

If synthetics are ironed at too high a temperature, not only is the fabric usually ruined, but the iron Soleplate is often covered with the melted remains of the synthetic fabric.

The best way to remove synthetic residue from the Soleplate is to heat the iron and to iron over an old cotton rag.



Never use steam iron cleaners in the iron, since they may damage the working parts of the iron.

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

| Model             | NI-C55SR      | NI-C75TR | NI-C76SR | NI-C77XR | NI-C78SR | NI-C79SR |
|-------------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Power Source      | 120V, 60Hz    |          |          |          |          |          |
| Power Consumption | 10 A , 1200W  |          |          |          |          |          |
| Net Weight        | 3.1 lb(1.4kg) |          |          |          |          |          |

#### FABRIC IRONING CHART

- NOTES: 1. Check fabric for specific ironing instructions, always follow manufacturer's instructions.
  - 2. Iron blended fabrics at setting for lower-temperature fiber or for the highest-percentage fiber.
  - 3. Use caution, some synthetics may melt at high temperature.

| Temperature<br>Selector Dial Setting | Fabric  | Ironing Recommendations  |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| 1                                    | ACRYLIC  * ACRILAN  * CRESLAN  * ORLON  ACETATE  METALLICS  SUEDE                       | Dry iron on wrong side, or use a press cloth on top of fabric. Don't sprinkle water directly on fabric to avoid spots.  To iron suede, cover ironing board with brown paper and use it as a press cloth. |
| 2                                    | NYLON * ANTORON * CAPROLAN SILK   | Dry iron on wrong side.  |
| 3                                    | PERM. PRESS RAYONS POLYESTER * DACRON * FORTREL * KODEL TRIACETATE * ARNEL W'n W COTTON | Dry iron on wrong side. To touch-up collars, cuffs, pockets, etc., iron lightly on right side.   |
| 4                                    | WOOL<br>VELVET  | Steam ironing is suggested. Never iron completely dry. To iron velvet, steam iron holding the slightly above the fabric  |
| 5                                    | COTTON  | Steam ironing is suggested. Sprinkle water on the fabric, depending on its thickness. Iron dark fabric on wrong side to avoid unwanted sheen.  |
| 6                                    | LINEN   | Steam ironing is suggested. Iron dark fabrics on wrong side to avoid unwanted sheen.   |

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