



# KITCHEN *Living*

## 6 quart digital slow cooker

### USER GUIDE



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MODEL: NSCD-650, 01/13, 43034-13

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Congratulations!

You have made an excellent choice with the purchase of the quality Kitchen Living product.

By doing so you now have the assurance and peace of mind which comes from purchasing a product that has been manufactured to the highest standards of performance and safety, supported by the high quality standards of ALDI.

We want you to be completely satisfied with your purchase so this Kitchen Living product is backed by a comprehensive manufacturer's 3 year warranty and an outstanding after sales service through our dedicated Helpline.

We hope you will enjoy using your purchase for many years to come.

If you require technical support or in the unlikely event that your purchase is faulty please telephone our Helpline for immediate assistance. Faulty product claims made within the 3 year warranty period will be repaired or replaced free of charge provided that you have satisfactory proof of purchase (keep your till receipt safe!). This does not affect your statutory rights. However, be aware that the warranty will become null and void if the product is found to have been deliberately damaged, misused or disassembled.

# General Information and Safety Instructions

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When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed.

**Please read and save all instructions.**

1. To protect against electrical shock, do not immerse power cord, plug or slow cooker base in water or any other liquid.
2. If the power cord is damaged, the manufacturer or qualified electrician must replace it in order to avoid hazard.
3. Do not use outdoors. For household use only.
4. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is being used by or near children.
5. Never touch the outer surface of the slow cooker during its operation or before it cools. Use the handles. Use oven gloves or a cloth when removing the lid or handling the ceramic pot.
6. Unplug this unit from the electrical outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Allow appliance to cool completely before immersing the ceramic pot or lid in water. **DO NOT** immerse the slow cooker base in water or any other liquid.
7. Do not operate the slow cooker with a damaged power cord or plug or after the appliance malfunctions or is dropped or damaged in any manner. Return appliance to warranty center for examination, repair, or electrical or mechanical adjustment. See warranty page.
8. Do not let the power cord hang over the edge of a table or counter or touch any hot surface.
9. Do not use the appliance for other than intended use.
10. Do not place on or near hot gas or electric burner, or in a heated oven.
11. To disconnect turn the slow cooker OFF before removing the plug from the wall outlet. Never leave the slow cooker connected to the power outlet when not in use.
12. Do not clean the appliance with metal scouring pads. Pieces can break off from the pad and touch electrical parts, creating a risk of electrical shock.
13. Do not switch on the slow cooker if the ceramic pot is empty. **NEVER** cook directly in the slow cooker base without the ceramic pot.
14. Extreme caution should be used when moving a slow cooker containing hot food, water, or other hot liquids.
15. Do not use the ceramic pot or glass lid if cracked or chipped.
16. **DO NOT PLACE THE CERAMIC POT OR LID IN A HOT OVEN OR USE ON A STOVE TOP.**

## **WARNING!**

Read and understand all instructions. Failure to follow all instructions listed below may result in electric shock, fire or serious personal injury. The warnings, cautions, and instruction discussed in this instruction manual cannot cover all possible conditions and situations that may occur. It must be understood by the operator that common sense and caution are a factor which cannot be built into this product, but must be supplied by the operator.

**SAVE ALL INSTRUCTIONS!**



## **CAUTION:**

A short power supply cord is provided to reduce the risk of personal injury resulting from becoming entangled in or tripping over a longer cord. Extension cords are available from local hardware stores and may be used if care is exercised in their use. If an extension cord is required, special care and caution is necessary. Also the cord must be: (1) marked with an electrical rating of 125V, and at least 13 A., 1625 W., and (2) the cord must be arranged so that it will not drape over the countertop or tabletop where it can be pulled on by children or tripped over accidentally.

## **POLARIZED PLUG**

### **NOTE:**

- This slow cooker has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other).
- As a safety feature to reduce the risk of electrical shock, this plug is intended to fit in a polarized outlet only one way.
- If the plug does not fit fully in the outlet, reverse the plug.
- If the plug still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Do not attempt to defeat this safety feature.

## **ELECTRIC POWER**

If electric circuit is overloaded with other appliances, your appliances may not operate properly. The appliances should be operated on a separate electrical circuit from other operating appliances.



## **SAFETY WARNING**

Although your appliance is easy to operate, for your safety, the warnings below must be followed:

1. Do not place the appliance near a heat source.
2. Never leave the appliance unattended while connected to the electrical outlet.
3. To avoid any accidental burns, use caution when touching warming trays and lids when the appliance is in operation.
4. Use the appliance on a stable work surface.
5. Do not unplug from the wall socket by pulling on the supply cord.
6. The appliance must be unplugged:
  - A. After use.
  - B. If it appears to be faulty.
  - C. Before cleaning or maintenance.
7. Extreme caution must be used when moving an appliance containing hot oil or other hot liquids.

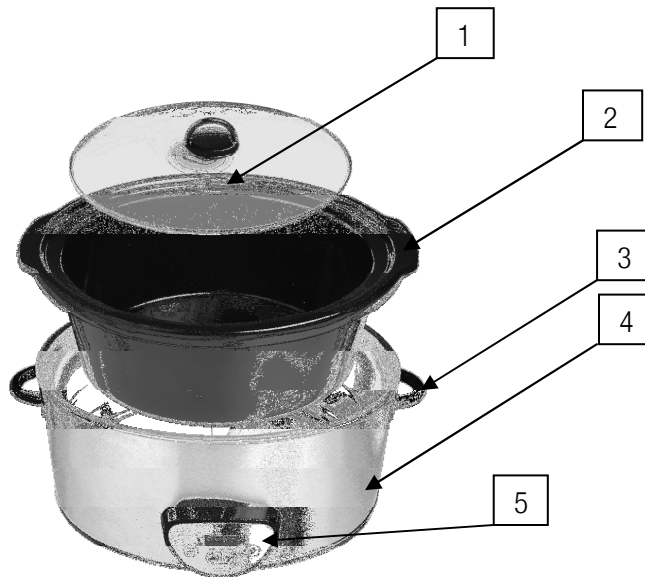
**THIS PRODUCT IS INTENDED FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY.**

**SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS!**



## LIST OF MAIN PARTS

1. Lid Handle
2. Glass Lid
3. Ceramic Pot
4. Base
5. Control Panel



## CONTENTS OF PACKAGING

- Glass Lid
- Ceramic Pot
- Base
- Instruction Manual

If any of the above items are missing, please contact our service department at 1-888-367-7373 or email us at [customer-service@wk-usa.com](mailto:customer-service@wk-usa.com) for replacement. Our business hours are Monday through Friday 9:00am to 4:00pm CST.

## BEFORE THE FIRST USE

Please note that there will be a faint smell when using the 6 Qt. Digital Slow Cooker for the first time. This is dust burning off that has been collected in storage at the manufacturer. This faint smell will eventually go away after the few first uses.

1. Unpack the slow cooker and other necessary parts from the box.
2. Remove any unwanted packaging materials such as cardboard, plastics or styrofoam.
3. Wipe clean all the parts with a soft damp cloth or sponge. Rinse and dry thoroughly.

**DO NOT USE ANY ABRASIVE MATERIALS TO CLEAN THE SURFACE**

**DO NOT IMMERSE THE SLOW COOKER BASE INTO WATER AT ANY TIME**

4. Assemble all the parts to the slow cooker.







**THIS APPLIANCE CAN GET HOT DURING USE. PLEASE USE CAUTION!**

## HOW TO USE THE 6 QT. DIGITAL SLOW COOKER

1. Always set your slow cooker on a level and stable heat resistant surface. Make sure the feet are setting securely on the table.
2. Assemble your ingredients in the ceramic pot and place the pot into the base. Cover with the glass lid. If you need to pre-cook or brown foods prior to slow cooking, this must be done in a pan on the stove, not in the slow cooker.
3. To begin cooking, plug the power cord into an outlet and press the STOP/START button once. This will turn the unit on HIGH. To change to LOW or KEEP WARM, please press the LOW/HIGH/WARM button. It will cycle through from LOW to HIGH to KEEP WARM with each press of the button. The base will begin to heat up.
4. To set the timer, press the UP or DOWN arrows to reach your desired time. Each press of the arrow will change the time in 30 minute increments.
5. The maximum time you can set the timer is 24 hours. The minimum time is 30 minutes.
6. When the timer has been set and the cooking time has expired the unit will automatically switch OFF. To turn the unit off, press the STOP/START button. The HIGH, LOW, and KEEP WARM buttons will begin to blink until you unplug the slow cooker. Remove the ceramic pot using oven gloves.
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## WARNINGS

**DO NOT** move the 6 Qt. Digital Slow Cooker when in operation. Contents of slow cooker can become VERY hot.

**DO NOT** touch hot surfaces. Always use handles and knobs.

**ALWAYS** make sure that the unit is set to OFF position when not in use and when unplugging from power outlet.

**DO NOT THURN THIS UNIT ON WHEN THE CERAMIC POT IS EMPTY OR NOT IN THE BASE.**

**CAUTION: BE CAREFUL NOT TO TOUCH THE BASE UNIT AFTER COOKING AS IT REMAINS HOT!**



## DO'S AND DON'TS FOR THE CERAMIC POT

- Authentic stoneware is fired at high temperatures therefore the ceramic pot may have minor surface blemishes, the glass lid may rock slightly due to these imperfections. Low heat cooking does not produce steam so there will be little heat loss. Due to normal wear and tear through the product's life, the outer surface may start appearing to have fine cracks on the surface of the glaze.
- Do not put the ceramic pot or glass lid in an oven, freezer, microwave, or in a toaster oven.
- Do not pre-heat before adding ingredients.
- Do not subject the ceramic pot to sudden changes in temperature. Adding cold water to a very hot ceramic pot could cause it to crack.
- Do not allow the ceramic pot to stand in water for a long time as there is an area on the base of the ceramic pot that has to remain unglazed for manufacturing purposes. This unglazed area is porous, therefore will soak up water. However, you can leave water in the ceramic pot to soak.
- Do not switch the Slow Cooker on when the ceramic pot is empty or out of the base.

## TIPS FOR SLOW COOKING

- The Slow Cooker must be at least half full for best results.
- Slow cooking retains moisture. If you wish to reduce this, remove the lid after cooking and change the cooking setting to HIGH (if set on LOW) and reduce by simmering for 30 to 45 minutes.
- The lid is not a sealed fit. Don't remove unnecessarily as the built up heat will escape. Each time you remove the lid, allow 10 minutes of extra cooking time.
- If cooking soups, leave a 2 inch space between the top of the ceramic pot and the food surface to allow simmering.
- Many recipes demand all day cooking. If you do not have time to prepare food in the morning, you may prepare it the night before and store the food in a covered container in the refrigerator. Transfer the food to the ceramic pot and add warm liquid/gravy. Select the setting LOW, HIGH, and set the timer for the desired time. It will automatically change to KEEP WARM when the time limit has been reached.
- Most meat and vegetable recipes require 8-10 hours on LOW or 4-6 hours on HIGH.
- Do not use frozen meat or poultry unless it is thoroughly thawed out first.
- Some ingredients are not suitable for slow cooking. Pasta, seafood, milk and cream should be added towards the end of the cooking time. Many things can affect how quickly a recipe will cook, such as water and fat content, initial temperature of the food, and the size of the food.
- Pieces of food cut into small pieces will cook quicker. A degree of 'trial and error' will be required to fully optimize the potential of your Slow Cooker.
- Vegetables usually take longer to cook than meat, so try and arrange vegetables in the lower half of the ceramic pot.
- After food is cooked, switch control knob to OFF and leave covered with the lid. There will be enough heat in the ceramic pot to keep the food warm for approximately 30 minutes. If you require longer time to keep the food warm switch to the LOW setting.
- All food should be cooked with a liquid, gravy or sauce. In a separate pan prepare your liquid, gravy or sauce and add to the food in the ceramic pot.
- Pre-brown meat and onions in a pan to seal in the juices. This also reduces the fat content if separated before adding to the ceramic pot. This is not necessary if the time is limited, but it does improve the flavor.
- When cooking joints of meat, ham, and poultry etc. the size and shape of the joint is important. Try to keep the joint in the lower 2/3 of the ceramic pot and fully cover with water. If necessary, cut into two pieces. Joint weight should be kept within the maximum limit (no more than 3.5 lbs. for a 6 Qt. Slow Cooker).
- DO NOT put the lid in the refrigerator as it may crack.
- If storing the ceramic pot in the refrigerator, do not place it into the Slow Cooker base for a minimum of 45 minutes to allow it to warm up slightly. Make sure it is completely dry before placing it in the Slow Cooker base.
- Never use the ceramic pot in top of the stove. It is meant for use in the Slow Cooker only.



## SERVICE CENTER

If you have any questions in regards to the operation of this appliance or are in need of a spare part, please contact our service center at:

Wachsmuth & Krogmann, Inc.

Tel: 1-888-367-7373

Business Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00am – 4:00pm CST

Email: [customer-service@wk-usa.com](mailto:customer-service@wk-usa.com)

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

- Model Number: NSCD-650
- Rating Voltage: 120V, 60Hz
- Nominal Power: 320 Watt
- Capacity: 6 Qt.

## MAINTENANCE

### CAUTION:

Always be sure that the slow cooker is unplugged and completely cooled before cleaning or attempting to store the item.

1. When performing any cleaning or maintenance to this unit, **be sure to unplug from power outlet first, and allow item to cool completely.**
2. Do not immerse slow cooker base or plug in water.
3. Use a soft cloth moistened with a mild soap solution to clean the base of the slow cooker, lid and ceramic pot. If food is cooked on to the inner lining of the ceramic pot you may soak the inside of the ceramic pot in warm soapy water. Rinse thoroughly. Do not soak whole ceramic pot in water.
4. DO NOT immerse the slow cooker base in water or any other liquid. NEVER use gasoline, benzene, or thinner to clean surface. This will damage the surface of the slow cooker.

## STORING

- Allow the slow cooker to cool completely before storing.
- Store the slow cooker in a dry location in the original box if possible.
- Do not place any heavy items on top of slow cooker during storage as this may result in possible damage of slow cooker.
- Store the cord in a clean, dry location away from metal objects. Always check the plug before use to assure metal items have not become attached.

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

If the slow cooker should no longer work at all, please make sure that it is disposed of in an environmentally friendly way.



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# 6 qt. digital slow cooker

Your details:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of purchase\* \_\_\_\_\_

\*We recommend you keep the receipt with this warranty card

Location of purchase \_\_\_\_\_

Description of malfunction:

Return your completed warranty card to:

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