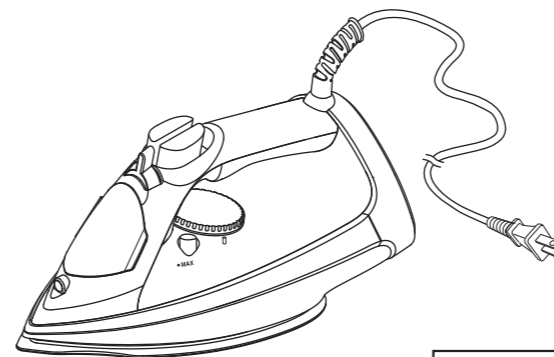


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Thank you for purchasing this Panasonic product.
Before using this product, please read these instructions completely.


Pay particular attention to the "Important Safety Instructions" on page 4. Save these instructions for future use.


Safety precautions

To reduce the risk of injury, loss of life, electric shock, fire, and damage to equipment or property, always observe the following safety precautions.


Explanation of symbols


The following symbols are used to classify and describe the level of hazard, injury, and property damage caused when the denotation is disregarded and improper use is performed.

 **WARNING** Denotes a potential hazard that could result in serious injury or death.

 **CAUTION** Denotes a hazard that could result in minor injury or damage your belongings.

The following symbols are used to classify and describe the type of instructions to be observed.

 This symbol is used to alert users to a specific operating procedure that must not be performed.

 This symbol is used to alert users to a specific operating procedure that must be followed in order to operate the unit safely.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

When using an iron, basic precautions should always be followed, including the following:

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING









1. Only use an iron for its intended use.
2. To avoid the risk of electric shock, do not immerse the iron in water or other liquids.

3. Always turn the iron OFF before plugging or unplugging the iron from the electrical outlet.
Never pull on the cord to disconnect the iron from the electrical outlet; instead, grasp the plug and pull on the plug to disconnect the iron.
4. Do not let the cord touch hot surfaces. Let the iron cool completely before putting the iron away. Coil the cord loosely around the iron when storing.
5. Always disconnect the iron from the electrical outlet before filling the iron with water, emptying the water from the iron, and when the iron is not in use.
6. Do not operate the iron with a damaged cord or in the event the iron has been dropped or damaged. To avoid the risk of electric shock, do not disassemble the iron. Take it to a qualified serviceman for examination and repair. Incorrect assembly might result in a risk of electric shock when the iron is used after reassembly.
7. Close supervision is required for any appliance used by or near children. Do not leave the iron unattended while the iron is connected or on an ironing board.
8. Burns can occur from touching hot metal parts, hot water, or steam. Use caution when you turn a STEAM IRON upside down – there might be hot water in the reservoir.
9. To avoid a circuit overload, do not operate an iron on the same circuit with another high wattage appliance.
10. If an extension cord is absolutely necessary, a cord with an ampere rating equal to or greater than the maximum rating of the iron shall be used. A cord rated for less amperage can result in a risk of fire or electric shock due to overheating. Care shall be taken to arrange the cord so that it cannot be pulled or be tripped over.






SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

WARNING

To reduce the risk of personal injury, electric shock or fire, please observe the following:

-  Do not use if the power plug or power cord is damaged or hot. Never use the iron if the power plug fits loosely in a household outlet.
-  Do not leave the iron unattended while it is connected to the outlet.
-  Do not connect or disconnect the power plug to a household outlet with wet hands.
-  Do not damage, modify, forcibly bend, pull, or twist the power cord.
Do not place anything heavy on or pinch the power cord.
-  Do not use with the power cord bundled.
-  Do not use the iron with wet hands.
-  Do not use in proximity of flammable materials (such as benzine or the like).
-  The iron is not to be used if it has been dropped, and there is evidence of damage or leaking.
- Refer servicing to authorized service personnel.

To reduce the risk of personal injury, electric shock or fire, please observe the following:

-  Always ensure the appliance is operated on an electric power source matched to the rated voltage indicated on the iron. Fully insert the power plug.
-  The power plug must be unplugged before filling water to the water tank.
-  Regularly clean the power plug to prevent dust from accumulating.
- Disconnect the power plug and wipe with a dry cloth.
-  Immediately stop using and unplug the power plug if there is an abnormality or malfunction.
Examples of abnormalities:
 - The iron stops occasionally, the power cord or the power plug is abnormally hot or discolored.
 - The iron is deformed or smells of burning.
 - Refer servicing to authorized service personnel.
-  This appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
- Failure to do so may cause an accident or injury.

- !** The iron must be used and rested on a flat, stable surface. When placing the iron on its stand, ensure that the surface on which the stand is placed is stable.
- If placed on a shaggy rug or other unstable location, the iron may fall over and cause damage to the rug, injury or burns.

- !** If the power cord is damaged, it must be replaced by authorized service personnel. In order to avoid a hazard.
- Failure to do so may cause an accident or injury.

! CAUTION

To reduce the risk of personal injury, property damage, electric shock or fire, please observe the following:

- !** Do not touch the steam or " power shot " during use.
- When using an ironing board through which steam can penetrate, do not put your hand, leg, etc., under the ironing board.
 - Do not aim the steam towards your hand, knee, or any other part of the body.
 - Do not use steam or " power shot " when the iron is partially sticking out from the ironing board.
 - Do not iron the clothes that you are wearing.

- !** Do not insert pins or needles into the iron or use it on clothes with sewing needles or the like inserted.
- !** Do not put the soleplate too close to you or others since steam may unexpectedly erupt from it.
- !** Do not use the iron with the exception of fabric.
- !** Do not store the iron until it has fully cooled down.
- !** Do not store the power cord coiled with sharp angles.
- This may damage the cord.
- !** Do not repeatedly and quickly press the power shot button.
- If repeating operation over an interval of less than 2 seconds, burns due to hot water leaks may result.
- !** Only use tap water in the iron. Do not add perfume, vinegar, starch, descaling agents, ironing aids or other chemicals in the water tank.
- Doing so may cause scalding or discoloration of garments due to the damaged product.
- !** If the shot intensity is low, do not operate the power shot button.
- Doing so may cause burns due to hot water leaks.
- !** Do not tilt or violently move the iron back and forth.
- Doing so may cause burns due to hot water leaks.

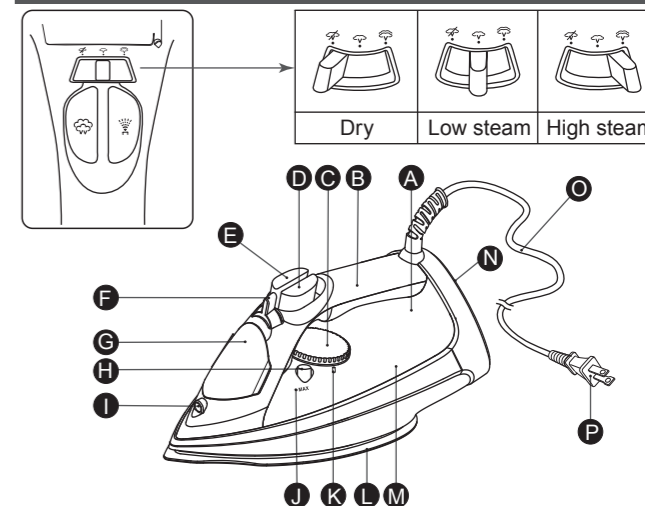
! CAUTION

- !** Do not use any ironing accessories available on the market.
- Doing so may cause burns or damage to cloth due to incorrect operation.
- !** Do not use the iron near walls or furniture that cannot withstand high temperature or humidity.
- Doing so may damage the wall or furniture.
- !** Do not add hot water in the water tank.
- Doing so may cause burns due to hot water splashes.

To reduce the risk of personal injury, property damage, electric shock or fire, please observe the following:

- !** Use a dry iron on moist clothing (spray misted).
- !** Care should be taken when using the iron.
- Steam emission may cause personal injury.
- !** When using with following fabric, test on an inconspicuous area, or place a cloth over the fabric to prevent the fabric from marking.
- Expensive or specially processed fabrics (velvet, acrylic, nylon, cashmere, etc.)
 - Fabrics that are labeled as " low heat " or " medium heat ", or dark colored fabrics.
- !** Drain water from the water tank after use.
- Failure to do so may cause the water to leak out from the soleplate when the iron is used next time.

Parts identification



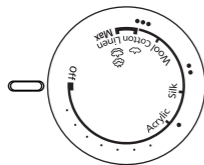
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|---|--|
| A Thermostat operating indicator light | J Maximum water level indicator |
| B Handle | K Temperature select scale position |
| C Temperature selector | L Soleplate |
| D Power shot button | M Water tank |
| E Spray mist button | N Heel rest |
| F Steam/Dry selector | O Power cord |
| G Water fill cover | P Power plug |
| H Self-cleaning button | |
| I Spray nozzle | |

Before use

The temperature selector of the iron has words, dots and steam symbols.

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. Use a press cloth if necessary.

Notes:

- The thermostat operating indicator light goes on and off alternately to indicate the changing temperature of soleplate. If you turn the temperature selector from a high temperature to a lower temperature, wait until the indicator light goes on before using the iron.
- Do not place the hot iron on cloth for extended time or wrap cloth over the hot iron.

How to use as an iron

1. Move the steam/dry selector to the dry position to avoid water leakage.



2. Fill the water tank with water when using steam, power shot, vertical steam or spray.

Open the water fill cover.

Hold the iron as shown and fill the iron with water up to "MAX" (about 300 mL). Use a clean cup for filling.



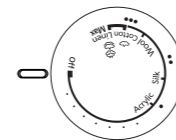
Place iron in vertical position to check water level.

Close water tank cover firmly to prevent spillage during ironing.

Note:

Do not overfill the water tank. The steam will release through the vents when the iron is positioned vertically.

3. Position the iron in the heel rest position and make sure the temperature selector is set to "OFF".



4. Plug into a 120V AC household outlet.



5. Set the temperature selector. The thermostat operating indicator light goes on.

Refer to "Guide for Steam/Dry selector" on P10

- Please make sure the temperature select indicator setting is on "MAX" when using "high steam" and "power shot".

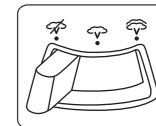
Note:

If the temperature of soleplate is high, the light does not go on.

6. Wait until the thermostat operating indicator light goes off. Hold the iron horizontally and move the steam/dry selector into the steam position when using the "power shot". (P10)

7. After each use

Set the steam/dry selector to the dry position. If the steam/dry selector is not in the dry position after using, remaining water will move into the soleplate and can result in burns when the iron is used next time.



Empty the water tank immediately after using. Do not store the iron with water in it. If you empty the water tank after it has cooled, heat the iron for about 5 minutes with the temperature selector set to "MAX".








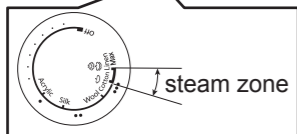
- Do not wind the power cord around the iron. It may be damaged by the hot soleplate.

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.



Guide for Steam/Dry selector

	Steam/Dry selector	Temperature zone	Recommendations
Dry		Choose according to the type of fabrics	For polyester and other synthetic fiber material.
Low steam			For thin or delicate fabrics requiring a small amount of steam.
High steam			For fabrics requiring a lot of steam. (i.e. thick materials, items with stubborn wrinkles).



Please make sure the temperature select indicator setting is on "MAX" when using "high steam".

CAUTION:

Do not aim the steam at any parts of your body or others.

Notes:

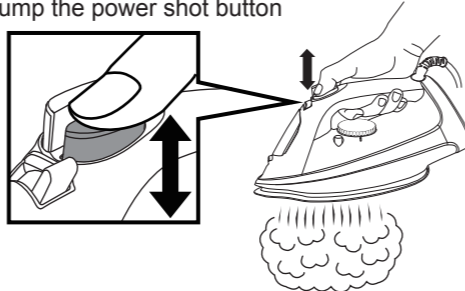
- The anti-drip system will activate when the temperature of the soleplate's surface drops. The thermostat operating indicator light will go on and steam will stop. It is normal to hear clicking sound during this process. Resume usage only after the thermostat operating indicator light has turned off.
- Use an ironing board to support a steam iron.**

Using the "power shot"

The "power shot" feature provides extra steam which goes deep into the garment and is helpful for removing stubborn wrinkles. It is necessary to clean the inside of the iron before using the "power shot" feature, if you have not used the "power shot" feature for a prolonged period. Simply test the "power shot" feature several times away from the ironing board and clothes to be ironed. This will prevent brown spotting or water spotting on the clothes.

Set the steam/dry selector to the dry position.
Set the temperature selector to the "MAX" position.

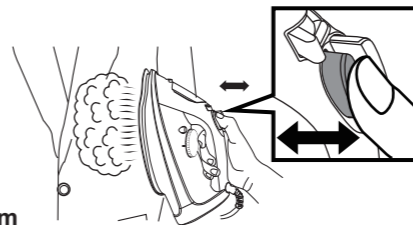
Simply pump the power shot button



- Pump the power shot button several times at the beginning of each ironing session.
- Press the power shot button in intervals of at least 2 seconds between use to prevent water spotting.
- If the power shot weakens, wait until the thermostat operating Indicator light goes on, and then off.
- Use a press cloth if necessary.

Using the "vertical shot"

To get better results when using vertical steam, hang the garment on a hanger. Curtains and drapes may also be steamed once they are hung. Hold the iron away from your body, close to but not touching the fabric. Pull the fabric tightly and pump the power shot button at 2 seconds intervals as you press the iron over the wrinkled fabric.



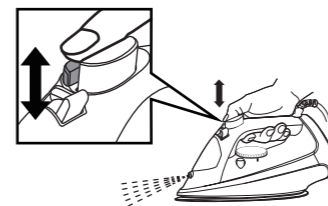
- If the power shot weakens, wait until the thermostat operating indicator light goes on, and then off.

Using the "spray"

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

The spray may be used with steam or dry ironing. Simply push the spray mist button whenever spray is desired.

- If the spray does not work immediately, keep triggering until it does.

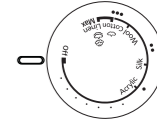
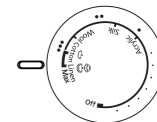
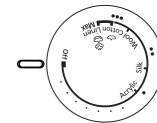


How to care for and store your iron

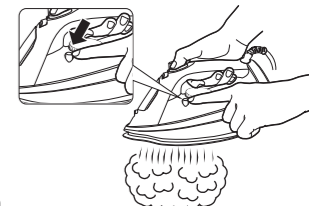
3-way cleaning

► METHOD(1) Using the self-cleaning feature

- Fill the water tank with tap water as described in the "How to use as an iron" on P8.
- Set the temperature select indicator to "OFF".
- Plug into a 120V AC household outlet.
- Stand the iron up and set the temperature select indicator to the "MAX" position.
- After the thermostat operating indicator light goes off, set the temperature select indicator to "OFF" and unplug.

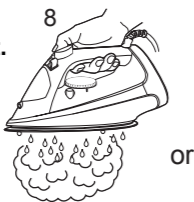


- Hold the iron horizontally over the sink, press and hold the self-cleaning button and shake the iron back and forth. Impurities and scale (if any), together with steam and boiling water will be flushed out. Steam will flush out first, and boiling water will flush out after approx. 30 seconds. (Caution: water will be scalding hot)



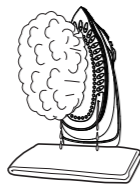
7. Once the water tank has been completely drained, hold the iron horizontally over the sink.
Or, stand the iron up on a stable surface and place an old towel or similar under the soleplate.

8. **Plug into a 120V AC household outlet.** and set the temperature select indicator to " **MAX** ". Impurities together with steam and boiling water will be flushed out.



or

9. Set the temperature selector to " **OFF** " and unplug.
Then, turn to METHOD(2).



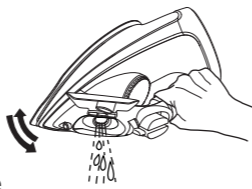
► **METHOD(2) Using the " power shot " feature**

1. Fill the water tank with tap water as described in the " How to use as an iron " on P8.
2. Set the temperature select indicator to " **OFF** ".
3. **Plug into a 120V AC household outlet.**
4. Stand the iron up and set the temperature select indicator to " **MAX** ".
5. Hold the iron horizontally over the sink after the thermostat operating indicator light has gone out.

6. Pump the power shot button quickly (at least 2 times per second) for approx. 30 times continuously. While pumping, shake the iron back and forth.

7. Set the temperature select indicator to " **OFF** ".

8. Unplug and dispose of any water remaining in the water tank.



9. To prevent corrosion of the soleplate vents, plug into a 120V AC household outlet, stand the iron up, set the temperature select indicator to " **MAX** " and preheat for about 5 minutes.

10. Set the temperature select indicator to " **OFF** " and unplug.
11. Iron on a used cloth to remove any impurities on the soleplate.

- Repeat METHOD(1) and METHOD(2) if venting of the steam does not improve.
- Use both methods once every two weeks. If the water is very hard (i.e. steam holes on the soleplate are easily blocked by impurities), both methods should be used more frequently.
- Let the iron cool down on its heel rest and follow the instructions in the " After each use " on P9.

► **METHOD(3) Anti calc system (Stay clean vents)**

The built-in anti calc system in the 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.

Anti-drip system (automatic water seal)

This model has an anti-drip system. When the temperature of the soleplate's surface drops to low, the valve for the vaporizing chamber in the iron automatically closes and stops the water from flowing. This prevents hot unvaporized water from spewing out from the soleplate when the iron has cooled down. With this system, it is unnecessary for you to wait until the inside of the vaporizing chamber dries completely when you store the iron.

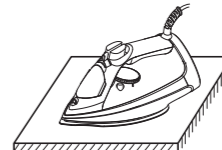
Note:

- It is not a sign of malfunction even a click sound is heard. This sound can be heard whenever this system is activated.

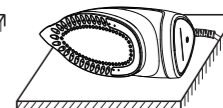
Electronic 3-way auto shut-off function

• The auto shut-off feature is not intended to take the place of unplugging the cord. The auto shut-off system works regardless of the position of the temperature selector.

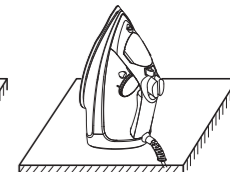
1. When the iron is left idle with its soleplate facing down or on its side for approx. 1 minute, the iron will automatically shut off.
2. When the iron is left idle on its heel rest for approx. 10 minutes, the iron will automatically shut off.
3. To resume ironing and turn the iron on, simply move the iron in any manner. If the iron has been left in the auto shut off mode for more than 10 minutes. Allow the iron to reheat until the indicator light goes off.



1 minute to " **OFF** "



1 minute to " **OFF** "



10 minutes to " **OFF** "

Always unplug the iron when you finish ironing. Even though the Iron is unplugged, the soleplate is still hot. Make sure to rest the iron on its heel, away from fabric.

How to care for your iron

► Surface of the iron

- After unplugging and cooling the iron, simply wipe off with a damp cloth and if necessary, use a mild detergent.
- Never use any strong cleaners.

► Soleplate

- Starch and other residue may be easily removed from the soleplate with a damp cloth.
- To avoid scratching the surface, never use a metallic pad to clean the soleplate, and never place the iron on a rough surface.
- The best way to remove synthetic residue from the soleplate is to iron over an old cotton cloth rag after heating the iron.

Note:

- Never use cleaners in the iron, since they may damage the working parts of the iron. Some odor may be released during initial use of the iron, however, this is normal and the odor will not attach to your clothes. Never use steam iron detergent in the iron, since they may damage the working parts of the iron.

Q&A

Question	Answer
Why click sound or metallic sound be heard while using or shaking the iron?	These sounds are made by the internal parts of the iron, spray mechanism, leakage prevention, etc., moving slightly. This is normal.
Why do the clothes sometimes become brown after being ironed?	If there is laundry detergent remaining on the fabric, the clothes may become brown after being ironed.
Why are there white powder/particles coming out of the steam vents while using the steam function (especially when using "power shot")?	The powder/particles are hydrophilic treatment or impurities and minerals found in hard water etc. These are not harmful and can be brushed off clothing.

Trouble shooting

Problem	Causes, Solution
No heating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ► Make sure the power plug is plugged into a 120V AC household outlet.
No steam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ► Fill the water tank with tap water up to "MAX" dot. ► If there is no steam, set the steam/dry selector to the steam position, or set the temperature selector to "MAX". ► For poor steam, move the steam/dry selector several times, then reset to the steam position.
Poor steaming power	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ► Press the power shot button several times when the "power shot" appears insufficient. ► Wait until the thermostat operating indicator light goes off before using the iron. ► Set the temperature selector to "MAX".
No spray	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ► Push the spray mist trigger several times. ► Fill the water tank with tap water up to "MAX" dot.
Water leaks from steam vents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ► Press the power shot button in intervals of at least 2 seconds when using the "power shot". ► Wait until the thermostat operating indicator light goes off before using the iron.
Clothes are marked	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ► Empty the water tank and fill it with clean water. There may be contaminants in the iron/cup.

Specifications

Model No.	NI-U600C
Power source	120 V ~ 60 Hz
Power consumption	1 700 W
Weight (approx.)	1.5 kg (3.3 lb)
Dimension (approx.)	297 x 125 x 142 mm (11.7 x 4.9 in. x 6 in.)

This iron is intended for household use only.