

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

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⚠ WARNING TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE, ELECTRIC SHOCK OR INJURY TO PERSONS, OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING:

- A. Use this unit only in the manner intended by the manufacturer. If you have questions, contact the manufacturer.
- B. Before servicing or cleaning unit, switch power off at service panel and lock the service disconnecting means to prevent power from being switched on accidentally. When the service disconnecting means cannot be locked, securely fasten a prominent warning device, such as a tag, to the service panel.
- C. Do not use this unit with any solid-state speed control device.
- D. This unit must be grounded.

⚠ CAUTION FOR GENERAL VENTILATING USE ONLY. DO NOT USE TO EXHAUST HAZARDOUS OR EXPLOSIVE MATERIALS AND VAPORS.

⚠ CAUTION TO REDUCE RISK OF FIRE AND TO PROPERLY EXHAUST AIR, BE SURE TO DUCT AIR OUTSIDE. DO NOT VENT EXHAUST AIR INTO SPACES WITHIN WALLS OR CEILINGS OR INTO ATTICS, CRAWL SPACES OR GARAGES.

⚠ WARNING TO REDUCE THE RISK OF INJURY TO PERSONS IN THE EVENT OF A RANGE TOP GREASE FIRE, OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING*:

- A. SMOTHER FLAMES with a close-fitting lid, cookie sheet or metal tray, then turn off the burner. BE CAREFUL TO PREVENT BURNS. If the flames do not go out immediately, EVACUATE AND CALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.
- B. NEVER PICK UP A FLAMING PAN—You may be burned.
- C. DO NOT USE WATER, including wet dishcloths or towels—a violent steam explosion will result.
- D. Use an extinguisher ONLY if:
 1. You know you have a Class ABC extinguisher, and you already know how to operate it.
 2. The fire is small and contained in the area where it started.
 3. The fire department is being called.
 4. You can fight the fire with your back to an exit.

*Based on "[Kitchen Fire Safety](#)" published by NFPA.

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▲WARNING TO REDUCE THE RISK OF A RANGE TOP GREASE FIRE:

- A. Never leave surface units unattended at high settings. Boilovers cause smoking and greasy spillovers that may ignite. Heat oils slowly on medium settings.
- B. Always turn hood ON when cooking at high heat or when flambéing food (i.e. Crepes Suzette, Cherries Jubilee, Peppercorn Beef Flanbé).
- C. Clean ventilating fans frequently. Grease should not be allowed to accumulate on fan or filter.
- D. Use proper pan size. Always use cookware appropriate for the size of the surface element.

▲WARNING TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE, ELECTRIC SHOCK OR INJURY TO PERSONS, OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING:

- A. Installation work and electrical wiring must be done by qualified person(s) in accordance with all applicable codes and standards, including fire-rated construction.
- B. Sufficient air is needed for proper combustion and exhausting of gases through the flue (chimney) of fuel burning equipment to prevent back drafting. Follow the heating equipment manufacturer's guidelines and safety standards such as those published by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), the American Society for Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) and the local code authorities.

- C. When cutting or drilling into wall or ceiling, do not damage electrical wiring and other hidden utilities.
- D. Ducted fans must always be vented to the outdoors.
- E. When applicable, install any makeup (replacement) air system in accordance with local building code requirements. Visit GEAppliances.com for available makeup air solutions.
- F. Turn off breaker to adjacent rooms while working.

▲WARNING TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE, USE ONLY METAL DUCTWORK.

- Do not attempt to repair or replace any part of your hood unless it is specifically recommended in this manual. All other servicing should be referred to a qualified technician.

How to Remove Protective Shipping Film and Packaging Tape

Carefully grasp a corner of the protective shipping film with your fingers and slowly peel it from the appliance surface. Do not use any sharp items to remove the film. Remove all of the film before using the appliance for the first time.

To assure no damage is done to the finish of the product, the safest way to remove the adhesive from packaging tape on new appliances is an application of a household liquid dishwashing detergent. Apply with a soft cloth and allow to soak.

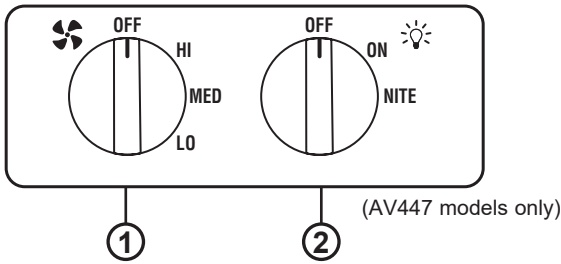
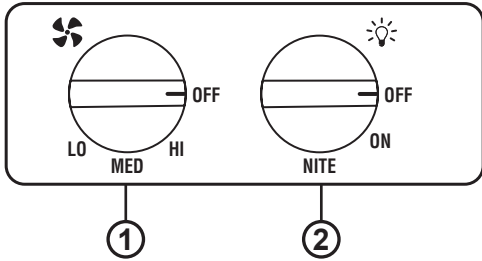
NOTE: The adhesive must be removed from all parts.

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Controls

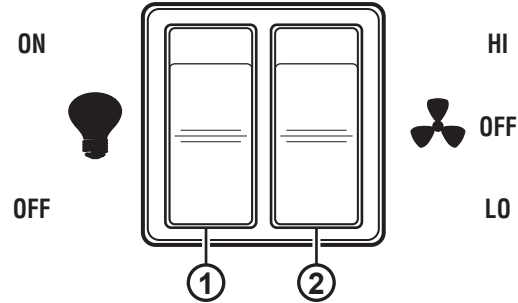
Throughout this manual, features and appearance may vary from your model.

Control Knobs (on some models)



- FAN Control:** Turn to **HI**, **MED** or **LO** as needed. Continuous use of the fan system while cooking helps keep the kitchen comfortable and less humid. It also reduces cooking odors and soiling moisture that create a frequent need for cleaning.
- LIGHT Control:** Turn to **ON** while cooking or to **NITE** for use as a night light.

Switch Pad Controls (on some models)



- LIGHT Control:** Press the pad at the top to turn the light ON.
- Fan Settings Buttons:** Press the pad at the top to turn the fan on **HI** and at the bottom to turn it on **LO**. The center position is **OFF**. Continuous use of the fan system while cooking helps keep the kitchen comfortable and less humid. It also reduces cooking odors and soiling moisture that create a frequent need for cleaning.

Filters

Be sure electrical power is off and all surfaces are cool before cleaning or servicing any part of the vent hood.

Reusable Metal Grease Filter—Ducted Installations Only

The efficiency of your hood depends on a clean filter. Frequency of cleaning depends on hood use and the type of cooking you do. However, the grease filter should be cleaned at least once a month.

To remove:

Pull down on the center of the front edge of the filter. The filter will then slip out of the retaining tabs on the back.

To replace:

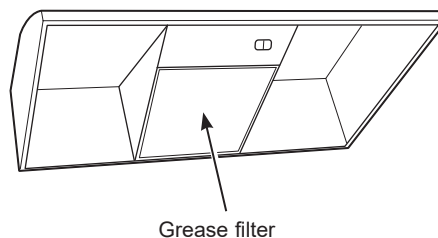
Slip the back edge of the filter into the retaining tabs and push the front edge up until it snaps into place.

To clean:

Soak and then agitate it in a hot water and detergent solution. Light brushing can be used to remove embedded dirt. Rinse, shake and let it dry before replacing.

NEVER OPERATE THE HOOD WITHOUT THE FILTER IN PLACE.

With careful handling, the metal filter will last for years. If a new replacement filter becomes necessary, order the part from your dealer. Order genuine GE Appliances part number **WB02X8391**.



Charcoal Filter—Recirculating Installations Only

The charcoal filter cannot be cleaned. It must be replaced. Order filter no. **WB02X10700**. Replacement filters can be ordered from your GE Appliances supplier.

If the hood is not vented to the outside, the air will be recirculated through a disposable charcoal filter that helps remove smoke and odors.

The charcoal filter should be replaced after 6 to 12 months (depending on hood usage).

To remove:

Pull down on the center of the front edge of the filter. The filter will then slip out of the retaining tabs on the back.

To replace:

Slip the back edge of the filter into the retaining tabs and push the front edge up until it snaps into place.



NOTE: DO NOT rinse, or put charcoal filters in an automatic dishwasher.

Surfaces

Stainless Steel Surfaces (on some models)

Do not use a steel-wool pad; it will scratch the surface.

To clean the stainless steel surface, use warm sudsy water or a stainless steel cleaner or polish. Always wipe the surface in the direction of the grain. Follow the cleaner instructions for cleaning the stainless steel surface.

To inquire about purchasing stainless steel appliance cleaner or polish, or to find the location of a dealer nearest you, please call our toll-free number:

National Parts Center

800.626.2002

GEApplianceParts.com

Painted Surfaces (on some models)

Do not use steel-wool pads or other abrasive cleaners. They will scratch the surface.

Clean grease-laden surfaces of the hood frequently. To clean the hood surface, use a hot, damp cloth with a mild detergent suitable for painted surfaces. About one tablespoon of ammonia may be added to the water. Use a clean, hot, damp cloth to remove soap. Dry with a dry, clean cloth.

NOTE: When cleaning, take care not to come in contact with filters and other non-enameled surfaces.

CAUTION When cleaning the hood surfaces, be certain that you do not touch the light bulb with moist hands or cloth. A warm or hot light bulb may break if touched with a moist surface. Always let the light bulb cool completely before cleaning around it.

Light

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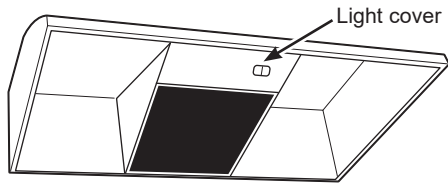
Let the light bulb cool completely before removing. A warm or hot bulb may break if touched with a moist cloth or hand.

Remove the bulb and replace it with a type A15 incandescent light bulb with an ordinary screw base, not more than 60 Watts, or a type A17 or T2 Compact Fluorescent (CFL) light bulb with an ordinary screw base, not more than 13 Watts. **NOTE:** Use only incandescent bulbs in models RN328, JN327, JN328 and JV338.

IMPORTANT: For installation, handling and disposal precautions, refer to the fluorescent bulb packaging literature.

To remove the light cover (on some models):

- Press the sides with two fingers until the side prongs are released.
- Lift the light cover and slide it toward you in one motion.



To replace the light cover:

- Insert the prong located at the end of the cover into the top opening.
- Gently push the cover up and press the sides to fit the side prongs into the side openings.
- Release and the cover will lock in position.

When using an energy saving bulb in your GE Appliances hood make sure you use either:



GE Long Life Energy Smart™
Spiral® T2
Product Code: 85383
Description: FLE13HT2/2/SW/CD

or



GE Long Life Energy Smart™ A17
Product Code: 47486
Description: FLE11/2/A17XL/CD
Available at gelighting.com