

Solving Minor Problems Yourself

Problem	Possible Causes	Solution
Iron does not work or is not heating up	Temperature control (J) set to minimum	Turn the temperature control to the desired position
	Connection problems	Check that the plug is inserted into the mains socket correctly
	The automatic shut-off system has been activated (*)	Move the iron gently from side to side to re-start it
Iron is not steaming	There is no water in the tank (I)	Fill the water tank
	The steam regulator (A) is in the ☹ position	Set the steam regulator to the relevant position
Water is dripping from the holes in the soleplate	The temperature control (J) is set too low for the iron to produce steam.	Set the temperature control within the steam area (between the "●●" and "max") or turn the steam regulator (A) to ☹
	You have pressed the shot of steam button (C) repeatedly without waiting for 5 seconds between each press	Wait 5 seconds between each press of the jet of steam button
	Water has been left in the tank (I) when the soleplate was cold, with the steam regulator (A) set at position different to ☹	Always empty the tank after ironing and set the steam regulator to ☹ after ironing and when filling the tank
Water is dripping from the holes in the soleplate	Tap or part distilled water has not been used (see "Filling the water tank" section) or other products such as fragrant water have been added to the tank	Mix distilled water with tap water as directed in the "Filling the water tank" section and never add any other products to the water tank
Deposits come out through the holes in the soleplate	Traces of lime scale are coming out of the steam chamber	Carry out a cleaning cycle (see "Multiple de-scaling system" section)
Flashing lamp on top of handle (*)	Auto-shut off has been activated.	Move the iron gently from side to side to re-start it. The lamp will then flash once before it re-heats

(*) Model dependent

You can download this manual from the local homepages of Bosch

Thank you for buying the TDA46 steam iron from Bosch. This iron has a lightweight design and is built to perform.

These instructions contain valuable information about the unique features of this iron and some hints to make ironing easier for you.

Please visit www.bosch-home.co.uk for more product information or to register your product, just follow the link to the Online guarantee registration.

Before using the iron for the first time

Please carry out the following steps:

1. Remove the protective cover from the soleplate before using the iron.
2. While the iron is unplugged, fill the water tank (I) with tap water
3. Plug the appliance into the mains and set the temperature control (J) to the maximum position by lining it up with the pointer (H) on the iron.
4. When the iron has reached the correct temperature, the pilot lamp (L) goes out. Set the steam regulator (A) to the maximum position.
5. Hold the iron horizontally and repeatedly press the shot of steam button (C). Any dirt should come out of the soleplate (F). It may smoke and smell – this is normal and will cease after a short while.
6. If necessary, carefully clean the soleplate down with a dry, folded cloth

Cleaning and Maintenance

⚠ Attention ! Risk of burns !

For general cleaning, follow the information below:

Problem	Solution
Dirty/lightly marked iron body or soleplate	Clean body of iron or soleplate with a damp cloth then dry it.
Mark develops on soleplate during use	Set the iron to its maximum temperature setting. Rub the iron a few times over with a dry cotton cloth folded several times.
Heavily stained soleplate	While the iron is cold, iron a linen cloth soaked in white vinegar. Then dampen a cloth with water and wipe the soleplate clean and dry thoroughly.

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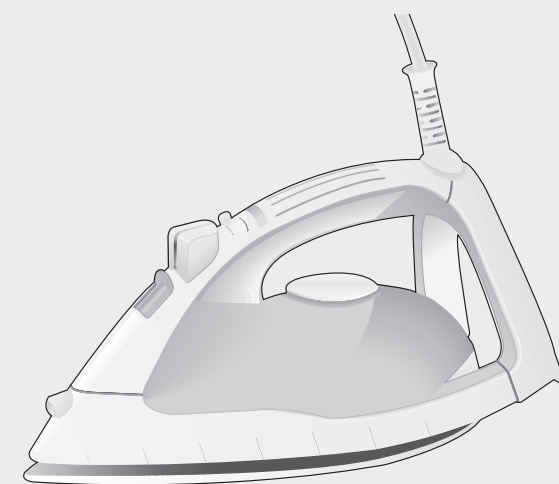
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Operating instructions

General safety warnings

- Danger of electric shocks or fire!
- This appliance is to be connected and used in accordance with the information stated on its characteristics plate.
- This appliance must be connected to an earthed socket. If it is absolutely necessary to use an extension cable, make sure that it is suitable for 16A and has a socket with an earth connection.
- The iron should not be used if it has been dropped, if there are visible signs of damage or if it is leaking water. It must be checked by an authorized Technical Service Centre before it can be used again.
- Do not allow the power cable to come into contact with the soleplate when it is hot.
- In order to avoid that, under unfavourable mains conditions, phenomena like transient voltage drops or lighting fluctuations can happen, it is recommended that the iron is connected to a power supply system with a maximum impedance of 0.27Ω . If necessary, the user can ask the public power supply company for the system impedance at the interface point.
- This appliance is not intended to be used by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capacities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning the use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
- Keep the appliance out of children's reach.
- Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
- Remove the plug from the socket before filling the appliance with water or before pouring out the remaining water after use.
- The appliance must never be placed under the tap to fill the water tank.
- The appliance must be used and placed on a stable surface.
- When placed on its stand, make sure that the surface on which the stand is placed is stable.
- The iron must not be left unattended while it is connected to the supply mains.
- Unplug the appliance from the mains supply after each use, or if a fault is suspected.
- The electrical plug must not be removed from the socket by pulling the cable.
- Never immerse the iron in water or any other fluid.
- Do not leave the appliance exposed to weather conditions (rain, sun, frost, etc.)
- With the aim of avoiding dangerous situations, any work or repair that the appliance may need, e.g. replacing a faulty mains cable, must only be carried out by qualified personnel from an Authorised Technical Service Centre.

DO NOT de-scale or clean the water tank with cleaning products or solvents, as these could cause the iron to drip when using the steam function.

DO NOT use a "professional steam cleaner" for cleaning the appliance.

DO NOT use sharp objects or abrasive products to clean the soleplate or any other part of the appliance. To keep the soleplate in good condition, do not allow it to come into contact with metal objects.

GUARANTEE TERMS

The terms of the guarantee for this appliance are in accordance with that stated by our representative for the country in which it is sold. Details of those conditions can be obtained from the retailer from whom the appliance was purchased. The SALES RECEIPT must be presented when making any claims against the terms of this guarantee. We reserve the right to make technical modifications.

Environmental Care

This iron has been designed according to ecological criteria, related to the sustainable development, analyzing its whole lifecycle - from material selection to its later reusing or recycling - evaluating the improvement possibilities, from a technical, economical and environmental point of view.

Before throwing a used appliance away, you should make it noticeably inoperable e.g. cut off the mains lead and be certain to dispose of it in accordance with current laws and regulations.

Your retailer, town council or local council can give you detailed information about these.



This appliance is labelled in accordance with European Directive 2002/96/EG concerning used electrical and electronic appliances (waste electrical and electronic equipment - WEEE).

The guideline determines the framework for the return and recycling of used appliances as applicable throughout the EU.

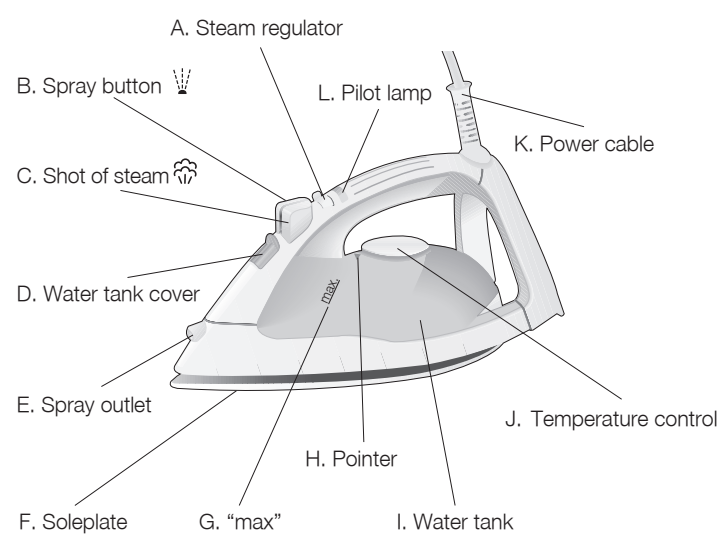
Important

This appliance has been designed exclusively for domestic use and must not be used for industrial purposes.

Carefully read through the operating instructions for the appliance and safeguard them for future reference.

Using Your Iron

1. Your iron



2. Filling the water tank

Set the steam regulator (A) to the position and unplug the iron from the mains!

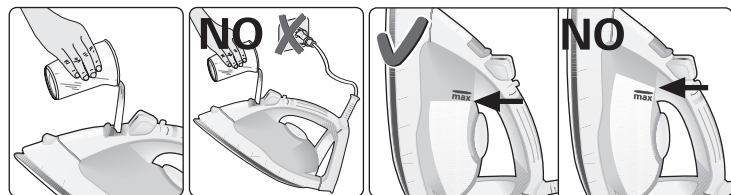
- Place the iron at an angle of 45°
- Fill the tank but never above the "max" mark

Use only clean water from the tap without mixing anything with it. The addition of other liquids, such as perfume or fragranced ironing water, will damage the appliance.

Do not use condensed water from tumble dryers, air conditioners or similar appliances. This appliance has been designed to use normal tap water.

To prolong the optimum steam function, mix tap water with distilled water 1:1. If the tap water in your area is very hard, mix tap water with distilled water 1:2.

You can inquire about the water hardness with your local water supplier



7. Ironing without steam

This function enables the iron to be used for dry ironing.

- Set the steam regulator (A) to the position.
- Select an appropriate temperature for the type of material being ironed.

8. Spray

This can be used to remove stubborn wrinkles.

- Do not use the spray function with silk as staining may occur.
- Make sure that there is water in the tank (I).
- When ironing, press the spray button (B) and water will spray out of the spray outlet (E) onto the garment.

9. After finishing each ironing session

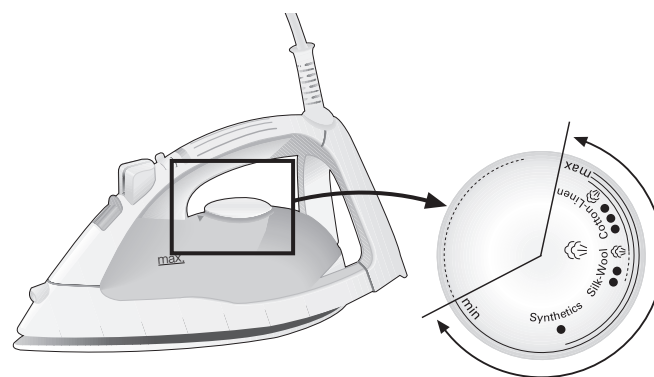
- Unplug the iron from the mains socket.
- Set the steam regulator (A) to the position.
- Open the water tank cover (D).
- Hold the iron with the point facing down and shake it gently until all the water has come out.
- Set the iron aside in a vertical position to cool down.
- Coil the power cable (K) loosely around the heel of the iron, before storing.
- Store the iron in an upright position.

3. Setting the temperature

The temperature control (J) adjusts the temperature of the soleplate (F).

- Check the temperature instructions shown on the care label of the garment you are ironing and set the temperature control (J) to the corresponding position by lining it up with the pointer (H) on the iron:

Fabric	Temperature Setting
Synthetics	•
Silk - Wool	••
Cotton - Linen	•••



- If you are unsure what type of material the garment is made from, start ironing on the lowest temperature setting and increase accordingly. If the garment is made from mixed fabrics, set the temperature for the most delicate material.
- Sort your garments based on their care labels, always starting with clothes that have to be ironed at the lowest temperature.
- The pilot lamp (L) will stay lit while the iron is heating up and go out once the selected temperature has been reached. Wait a few seconds after the lamp goes out before you start ironing. Once the iron is ready, you can continue to iron even if the pilot lamp comes on again.
- If your iron is equipped with the auto shut-off function "secure", the pilot lamp (L) will flash when the function has activated. Gently move the iron side to side to restart it

10. Multiple de-scaling system

This range of irons is equipped with the following descaling features "AntiCalc".

A. self-clean

Each time you use the steam regulator (A), the "self-clean" system cleans the mechanism of any scale deposits.

B. calc'n clean

The "calc'n clean" function helps to remove scale particles from the steam chamber. Use this function approximately every 2 weeks:

- Fill the water tank (I) with water.
- Set the temperature control (J) to the "•••" or "max" position and plug in the iron.
- After the necessary warm-up period, unplug the iron.
- Hold the iron over a sink and turn the steam regulator (A) to the "calc'n clean" position and keep it at this position.
- Gently shake the iron. Boiling water and steam will come out of the soleplate (F), carrying scale or deposits that might have built up there. When the iron stops dripping, position the steam regulator to the position
- For improved de-scaling, heat up the iron again fully, and press the shot of steam button (C) several times in quick succession. Then wait until remaining water has evaporated from the soleplate of the iron.

C. anti-calc (Model dependent)

The "anti-calc" cartridge has been designed to reduce the build-up of scale produced during steam ironing, helping to extend the useful life of your iron. Nevertheless the "anti-calc" cartridge cannot remove all of the scale that is produced naturally over time.

11. Anti-drip system

The irons in this range are equipped with an anti-drip system. This will automatically stop the iron producing steam when the selected temperature setting is too low. You may hear a clicking sound when this system is in operation.

4. Ironing with steam

The steam regulator (A) is used to adjust the amount of steam produced when ironing.

- Make sure that there is water in the tank (I).
- Adjust the temperature setting and then set the steam regulator according to the table below. Steam will automatically be produced:

Temperature Setting	Steam Regulator Setting
••• to "max"	calc'n clean
••	calc'n clean

Note: At a temperature setting of "•", the soleplate is not hot enough to produce steam so the steam regulator should be set to the position to avoid water dripping from the soleplate (F).

5. Ironing with shot of steam

This can be used to remove stubborn wrinkles or to press in a sharp crease or pleat. It cannot be used on a synthetic setting for delicate items.

- Set the temperature control (J) to the "•••" or "max" position.
- Set the steam regulator (A) to the maximum position.
- Press the shot of steam (C) button on the handle repeatedly at intervals of 5 seconds.

6. Vertical steaming with shot of steam

This can be used to remove creases from hanging clothes, curtains etc. It cannot be used on a synthetic setting for delicate items.

WARNING! Do not vertical steam while the item is being worn. Never spray or aim steam at people or animals!

- Make sure that there is water in the tank (I).
- Set the temperature control (J) to the "•••" or "max" position and the steam regulator (A) to its maximum position.
- Hold the iron in an upright position about 15 cm away from the garment being steamed.
- Press the shot of steam button (C) on the handle at intervals of 5 seconds, however, after 4 jets of steam, wait for 10 seconds to allow for continued steam production.

Additional Features (Model Dependent)

Auto shut-off

Some irons in this range are equipped with an auto-shut off system.

The "secure" auto shut-off function switches off the iron automatically when it is not being used, thus helping to prevent accidents and saving energy. When the appliance is first plugged in, this function will be inactive for the first 2 minutes to allow it to reach the set temperature.

If during ironing, the iron is not moved for a certain length of time, the iron will automatically switch off. The length of time will depend on the position the iron has been left in:

Horizontally (flat) or on its side:	30 seconds
Vertically (upright):	8 minutes

The pilot lamp (L) on the handle will flash when auto shut-off has been activated. To switch the iron back on, move it gently from side to side. The light will stop flashing.

Tips to help you save energy

Steam production consumes the most energy. To help minimise the energy used, follow the advice below:

- Start by ironing the fabrics that require the lowest ironing temperature.
- Regulate the steam according to the selected ironing temperature.
- Only use steam if necessary. If possible, use the spray function instead.
- Try to iron the fabrics while they are still damp and reduce the steam setting. Steam will be generated from the fabrics rather than the iron. If you tumble dry your fabrics before ironing them, set the tumble drier to the "iron dry" programme.
- If the fabrics are damp enough, turn off the steam regulator completely.
- Stand the iron upright during pauses. Resting it horizontally with the steam regulator on generates wasted steam.