

# COMPACTOR

Use & Care Guide

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# **COMPACTOR SAFETY**

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

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



This is the safety alert symbol.

This symbol alerts you to potential hazards that can kill or hurt you and others.

All safety messages will follow the safety alert symbol and either the word "DANGER" or "WARNING." These words mean:

# **A DANGER**

# AWARNING

You can be killed or seriously injured if you don't <u>immediately</u> follow instructions.

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

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

## **IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

**WARNING:** When using an electrical appliance, basic precautions should always be followed, including the following:

- Read all instructions before using the compactor.
- Close supervision is necessary when used by or near children. Do not allow to be used as a toy, or to run unattended at any time. Lock Key Switch when not in use and store key out of reach of children.
- Do not touch moving parts.
- Do not operate with a damaged cord set, plug, motor, or after damage in any manner. Have the compactor examined, repaired or adjusted by an authorized serviceperson.
- Use only for intended use as described in this manual. Do not use other than manufacturer's recommended attachments.

- Do not compact toxic or volatile flammable material such as oily rags and insect sprays. Do not compact lighted cigarettes, cigars, or other hot or burning items. Do not overload the compactor.
- Do not take apart the compactor. Incorrect reassembly can cause electric shock when subsequently used.
- Handle a loaded trash bag with care. Sharp objects can pierce the bag and cause injury. Do not overload trash bag with heavy material such as glass.
- This compactor is intended for household use only.

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

**Installer:** Leave Use and Care Guide with the homeowner. **Homeowner:** Keep Use & Care Guide for future reference and for local electrical inspector's use, if required.

## Unpacking

## AWARNING

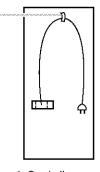
Excessive Weight Hazard

Use two or more people to move and install compactor.

Failure to do so can result in back or other injury.

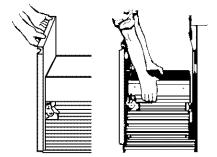
### **IMPORTANT:**

- Do not grasp console to move compactor.
- Begin in the room where the compactor will be located.
- 1. Remove compactor from shipping carton. Remove all protective packaging materials such as tape and shipping pads. Use a mild solution of liquid household cleaner and warm water to remove waxy residue caused by protective shipping material. Dry thoroughly with a soft cloth. For more information, see the "Cleaning" section.
- 2. Check to be sure the power cord is attached to the cord clip on the rear of the compactor.



1. Cord clip

3. Place the two corner posts from the carton on the floor near the compactor. Open the compactor drawer and remove any shipping materials or other items from the drawer. Do not remove the compactor bag. Grasp the handle and raise the front of drawer until it clears the drawer stops. Grasp sides of drawer and lift drawer out of compactor. Place the drawer on the two corner posts.



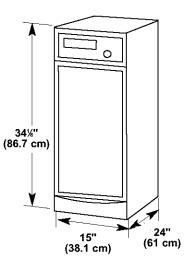
4. Place the other two corner posts on the floor to the side of the compactor. Grasp the sides of the compactor cabinet and put compactor on its side on top of the corner posts. Remove the shipping base from the bottom of the compactor.

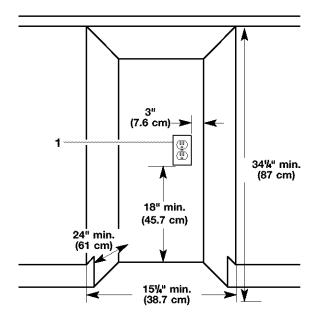


2. Shipping base

### Location Requirements

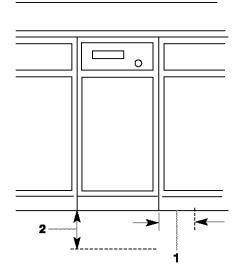
### **Product dimensions**





 Grounded electrical outlet must be a minimum of 3 in. (7.6 cm) away from surrounding cabinets or nearby walls as shown. It can be placed either to the left or the right side of the product.

### **Clearance dimensions**



- 1. Leave 6 in. (15.2 cm) of clearance space to the right side of the compactor in order to remove the compactor bags.
- 2. Leave 23 in. (58.4 cm) of clearance in front of the compactor in order to fully open or remove the compactor drawer.

### **Electrical Requirements**



Electrical Shock Hazard

Plug into a grounded 3 prong outlet.

Do not remove ground prong.

Do not use an adapter.

Failure to follow these instructions can result in death, fire, or electrical shock.

### **Recommended Grounding Method**

This compactor is for use on a single phase, 115-volt, 60 Hz, AC only 15 or 20 ampere fused and properly grounded circuit and is equipped with a grounding plug as shown below. Time delay fuse or circuit breaker is recommended. It is recommended that a separate circuit serving only this appliance be provided. In the event of an electrical short circuit, grounding reduces the risk of electric shock by providing an escape wire for the electric current. Do not modify the plug attached to the compactor; use only with a grounded receptacle.



This compactor must be grounded while in use to reduce the risk of electric shock. The compactor is equipped with a threeconductor cord and three-prong grounding-type plug to fit the proper grounding-type receptacle. The green (or green and yellow) conductor in the cord is the grounding wire. Never connect the green (or green and yellow) wire to a live terminal. The outlet should be properly installed and grounded in accordance with the National Electrical Code and Local codes and ordinances. No adapter should be used with this appliance.

### Undercounter Installation

**NOTE:** Proper installation is your responsibility. Make sure you have everything necessary for correct installation. It is the personal responsibility and obligation of the customer to contact a qualified installer to assure that electrical installation meets all National and Local codes and ordinances.

### Tools and materials needed for installation:

Level	Phillips No. 2 Screwdriver
Tape Measure	Flat-Head Screwdriver
Pliers	5/16 in. Hex-Head Socket Wrench
Scissors	Utility Knife

### **IMPORTANT:**

- Do not grasp control panel to move compactor.
- Slide compactor onto cardboard or hardboard before moving compactor across floor to prevent damaging floor covering.
- Do not allow the rear frame of the compactor to touch the floor covering when lifting or moving compactor.

### Undercounter installation

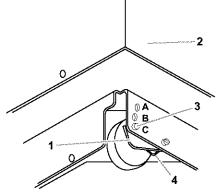
**NOTE:** Installation hardware is not provided with full cabinet models.

1. Measure the height of your cabinet opening. The top of the compactor should be at least ½ in. (3 mm) from the top of the cabinet opening.

The rear wheels are preset for a cabinet opening height of  $34\frac{1}{4}$  in. (87 cm) (position "A").

### To adjust for other cabinet opening heights:

- Loosen self-tapping screw just enough to clear stud from hole in position "A."
- Move the rear wheel and stud to position "B" or "C" as needed for your cabinet opening measurement: Position B: 34¼ in. to 34¼ in. (87 to 87.5 cm) Position C: 34¼ in. to 34½ in. (87.5 to 88 cm)
  NOTE: To level the unit in position "C," you may need to add shims under the leveling legs.
- Tighten screw. Repeat for other rear wheel.

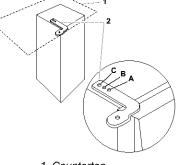


- 1. Wheel bracket assembly
- 2. Cabinet
- 3. Locating stud
- 4. Self-tapping screw (pivot)

- 2. Use pliers to lower leveling legs away from cabinet. Adjust legs so there will be a 1/8 in. (3 mm) to 1/4 in. (6.4 mm) space between the top of the compactor and the top of the cabinet opening. Stand the compactor upright.
- 3. For model with cabinet, remove the plastic plugs from the compactor cabinet top.
- 4. Move the compactor close to its final position.
- 5. Plug into a grounded 3 prong outlet.
- 6. Determine if you want the compactor frame or drawer front flush with the cabinet front.

Using the two #8-18 x  $^{5\!\!/_6}$  in. screws, install the retaining brackets to cabinet top as needed:

- If the compactor frame is to be flush with the cabinet front, place retaining bracket screws through "A."
- If the compactor drawer front is to be flush with the cabinet front, place retaining bracket screws through "C."
- If the compactor is to be midway between "A" and "C," place the retaining bracket screws through "B."



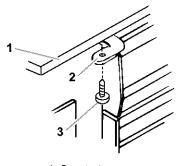
1. Countertop 2. Retaining bracket

7. Carefully lift the front slightly and roll compactor into the cabinet opening.

Using the two #8-18 x  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. screws, fasten the retaining brackets to the countertop with the mounting screws.

If brackets cannot be attached to the underside of countertop, attach mounting clips to brackets. Fasten compactor to cabinet front with mounting screws through mounting clips.

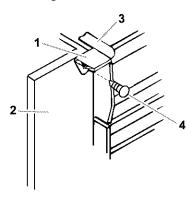
### **Countertop mounting**



1. Countertop 2. Retaining bracket

3. Mounting screw

**Cabinet-front mounting** 



- 1. Mounting clip
- 2. Cabinet
- 3. Retaining bracket
- 4. Mounting screw
- 8. Grasp sides of compactor drawer and place bottom of drawer into tracks. Lift at the handle so drawer will go over drawer stops. Close drawer. Check to see if drawer opens freely. If the toe plate rubs against floor, see "Adjusting the Toe Plate" for further instructions.

### Adjusting the Toe Plate

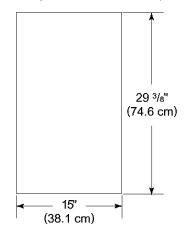
If the toe plate rubs the floor covering, the toe plate clearance may be changed as follows:

- 1. Mark on each side of the toe plate the amount of toe plate that rubs the floor covering.
- 2. Remove the drawer from the unit. (See Step 3 in the "Unpacking" section.)
- **3.** Use a ruler and a pencil or chalk to draw a line between the marks on each side of toe plate.
- 4. Use scissors or utility knife to cut toe plate along line.
- 5. Replace drawer. If toe plate still rubs floor covering, repeat steps 1-4.

### Trimless panel without handle

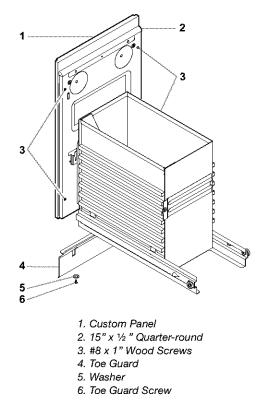
#### Dimensions

Use these dimension drawings to create a custom panel for use without a trim kit. The panel should be  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. (13 mm) min. thick.



#### Installation

- 1. Align the bottom of the custom panel with the bottom of the drawer front.
- 2. Secure the panel from the back using 4 #8 x 1 in. wood screws as shown.
- **3.** Attach a 15 in. x ½ in. quarter-round filler along the top of the drawer front using glue or screws.



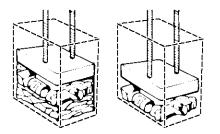
# **COMPACTOR USE**

### How Your Compactor Works

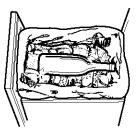
The compacting ram is the part of the compactor which compresses the trash. The compacting ram does not go to the bottom of the drawer. You will not see compacting of trash the first few times you load the compactor.

**NOTE:** The compactor drawer should be more than ½ full before the compactor can begin to compress the load.

You may hear a noise when glass breaks. Strong glass bottles may not break at all. The trash in a full compactor bag will be about ¼ the size of its original bulk.



Load bulky trash, bottles, and cans in the center of the drawer. Bottles or cans not placed in the center may become caught between the ram and the drawer. The Drawer Monitor Switch then senses a "misload" and causes the ram to return to the "up" position without compacting.

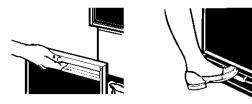


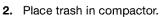
## Loading AWARNING WARNING Ut Hazard Cut Hazard Do not push items down into compactor with hands or feet. Doing so can result in cuts.

**NOTE:** You will not see compacting of trash the first few times you load the compactor. The compactor drawer should be about ½ full before the compactor can begin to compress the load.

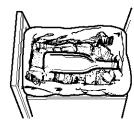
1. Open the drawer. Lift and pull the handle or press the toe bar to open the drawer.

**NOTE:** Pressing the toe bar opens the container only 3 in. to 6 in. (7.6 cm to 15.2 cm), depending on the load.





- Wrap or cover wet or messy trash.
- Do not compact items that may develop offensive odors such as raw meat, fish, grapefruit rinds, disposable diapers, or personal hygiene items.
- Load bottles or cans on their sides in the center of the drawer. Do not load bottles in an upright position.



3. Close the drawer.

### **Starting Your Compactor**

- 1. Open container. Load trash.
- 2. Leave Key-Knob in ON position.
- 3. Set Solid pack switch to OFF.
- 4. Close container.
- 5. Lift foot pedal UP to START cycle.

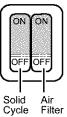
## Using Solid (Locked) Cycle

The Solid (locked) cycle extends the use of the bag by putting constant pressure on the trash to keep it from springing back.

Regular use of solid cycle can increase bag capacity up to 25 percent. During solid cycle, ram will stay in down position for extra compacting. The drawer is locked and cannot be opened when the ram is down.

For best results, use the solid cycle for at least 30 minutes at a time.

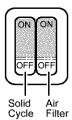
- Open container. Load trash.
- Set compactor solid switch to ON.



- Close container.
- Lift foot pedal UP to START cycle.
- Container remains LOCKED untill you RESET by lifting foot pedal UP.

### Using the Filter

- Set the Charcoal Air Filter switch to ON. The fan creates air movement in the compactor for odor removal.
  NOTE: The Charcoal Air Filter works only when the Key-Knob is in the ON position.
- 2. Set the Charcoal Air Filter switch to OFF to turn off the fan.



## Removing a Filled Bag

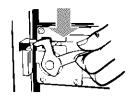
When the trash is compacted to the top of the drawer, remove the bag. If the bag is too heavy, compact less trash before emptying it in the future.



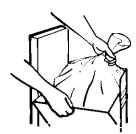
- 1. Pull the drawer completely open.
- 2. Remove top of bag from bag retainer buttons. Pull up all four bag cuffs. Close bag with twist tie provided.



3. Push Side-Lock Latch down and tilt drawer side open.



4. Lift out bag.



## Installing a New Bag

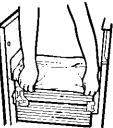
### IMPORTANT:

Before installing a new bag, be sure:

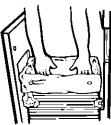
- The drawer side is securely locked.
- The container is clean and free of debris.

Do not use any kind of bag other than those designed especially for use in your compactor. Order replacement compactor bags through your local dealer or by calling the toll-free number on the cover or in the "Assistance or Service" section.

1. Place folded bag in the drawer. Open bag and pull top edges over the drawer top.



- 2. Lock bag into place by pulling the four prepunched holes over the bag retainer buttons. Holes will expand over the buttons without damaging the bag.
- **3.** Press inside of bag against the drawer bottom, sides and corners for a smooth fit.



# **COMPACTOR CARE**

Your new compactor is designed to give you many years of dependable service. However, there are a few things you are expected to do in order to maintain your compactor properly. This section will tell you how to clean and care for your compactor.

## Changing the Charcoal Air Filter

1. Insert fingertips in the Air Filter Cover and pull until the side tabs release. Then, lift the cover to release the bottom tabs.



2. Remove the Air Filter by pulling the top edge of the filter. The filter should pull out easily. Throw away used filter.



**3.** To replace, push the replacement filter into place. Insert the bottom tabs of the Air Filter Cover and push in until the side tabs snap into place.

To order the correct replacement charcoal filters, call the toll-free number listed on the cover or in the "Assistance or Service" section.

### Cleaning

Before cleaning the compactor, turn the Key-Knob (or Key-Switch) to the OFF & LOCK position and remove it.

**NOTE:** Any services other than those outlined in this section should be performed by a designated service representative.

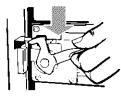
### **Cleaning Exterior Surfaces**

- 1. Wash exterior surfaces (including stainless steel) with a clean sponge or soft cloth and a mild detergent in warm water. Do not use abrasive or harsh cleaners. Rinse and dry thoroughly with a soft cloth.
- 2. Wipe up spills right away. Some foods can damage the finish if left on the compactor surface.

### **Cleaning Inside the Drawer**

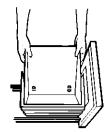
**NOTE:** You may want to wear protective gloves as there may be bits of glass in the drawer.

- 1. Remove the bag. (See the "Removing a Filled Bag" section.)
- 2. Press down on the Lever-Action Lock (or Side-Lock Latch).



**3.** Hold the Lever-Action Lock down and tilt the side of the drawer out until the lock clears the drawer front.

**NOTE:** If desired, the drawer side can be removed by tilting it up, then lifting it out.



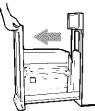
- 4. Wash the interior of the drawer with a clean sponge or soft cloth and a mild detergent in warm water. Rinse and dry thoroughly with a soft cloth.
- 5. If the drawer side was removed, slide it back into the tilted position.
- **6.** Press the Lever-Action Lock (or Side-Lock Latch) down while pushing the drawer side to the upright position.
- 7. Latch the drawer side by pushing up the Lever-Action Lock (or Side-Lock Latch).

### **Cleaning Inside the Cabinet**

**NOTE:** You may want to wear protective gloves as there may be bits of glass in the cabinet.

1. Pull the drawer out until it stops.

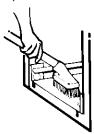
**NOTE:** Look to see how the drawer rollers move in the tracks. It will be easier to replace the drawer when you are finished cleaning.



- 2. Lift the front of the drawer to clear the stops.
- **3.** Grasp the drawer on the sides and pull it out the rest of the way. Set the drawer down gently.



 Vacuum the inside of the cabinet. Liquid spills or wet trash should be cleaned up by hand, or by using a vacuum designed to pick up liquids.



- 5. Wash the inside of the cabinet with a clean sponge or soft cloth and a mild detergent in warm water. Rinse and dry thoroughly with a soft cloth.
- 6. To replace the drawer, grasp it by the sides and insert the rollers onto the tracks.
- 7. Lift the front of the drawer and push it in fully past the stops.

### **Cleaning the Ram**

**NOTE:** You may want to wear protective gloves as there may be bits of glass on the ram cover.

- 1. Wipe glass particles off of the ram cover with a cloth or paper towels.
- 2. Remove foods with a clean sponge or soft cloth and a mild detergent in warm water. Rinse and dry thoroughly with a soft cloth.



### **Cleaning Before a Vacation**

If you will be away for more than a couple of days, remove the compactor bag. Remove the Key-Knob (or Key-Switch) and store it out of children's reach.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

Try the solutions suggested here first in order to avoid the cost of an unnecessary service call.

#### Trash is not compacting

Is the drawer less than half full? Drawer must be more than half full before trash is compacted.

#### Your compactor won't operate

- Is the power supply cord unplugged? Plug into a grounded 3 prong outlet.
- Has a household fuse or circuit breaker tripped? Replace the fuse or reset the circuit breaker.
- Is the drawer completely closed? Close the drawer firmly and start the compactor again.
- Is the Key-Knob turned all the way to START? Turn the Key-Knob (Key-Switch) fully to START and release (on some models). See the "Starting Your Compactor" section.
- Did you press ON before pressing START? Press ON before pressing START (on some models). See the "Starting Your Compactor" section.

### The drawer won't open

- Is the ram all the way up? Drawer will open only when ram is fully raised.
- To raise the ram on models with a Key-Knob (or Key-Switch): Turn the Key-Knob (Key-Switch) to START and release. See the "Starting Your Compactor" section.
- To raise the ram on models with push button controls: Press OFF, and then press ON. See the "Starting Your Compactor" section.
- Is the Solid Cycle engaged? Container remains LOCKED untill you RESET by lifting foot pedal UP.

### There is not enough compaction or force

Do you use the compacting cycle frequently enough? Compacting works best when only a few items are loaded.

#### Bottles don't break

How often do you notice this? Bottles will not break every time. The thickness of the bottle's glass and the content of the trash load below it may prevent the bottle from breaking.

## ASSISTANCE OR SERVICE

Before calling for assistance or service, please check "Troubleshooting." It may save you the cost of a service call. If you still need help, follow the instructions below.

When calling, please know the purchase date and the complete model and serial number of your appliance. This information will help us to better respond to your request.

### If you need replacement parts

If you need to order replacement parts, we recommend that you only use factory specified replacement parts. Factory specified replacement parts will fit right and work right because they are made with the same precision used to build every new KITCHENAID<sup>®</sup> appliance.

To locate factory specified replacement parts in your area, call our Customer Interaction Center telephone number or your nearest designated service center.

### In the U.S.A.

Call the KitchenAid Customer Interaction Center toll free: 1-800-422-1230

### Our consultants provide assistance with:

- Features and specifications on our full line of appliances.
- Installation information.
- Use and maintenance procedures.
- Accessory and repair parts sales.
- Specialized customer assistance (Spanish speaking, hearing impaired, limited vision, etc.).
- Referrals to local dealers, repair parts distributors, and service companies. KitchenAid designated service technicians are trained to fulfill the product warranty and provide after-warranty service, anywhere in the United States.

To locate the KitchenAid designated service company in your area, you can also look in your telephone directory Yellow Pages.

### For further assistance

If you need further assistance, you can write to KitchenAid with any questions or concerns at:

KitchenAid Brand Home Appliances Customer Interaction Center 553 Benson Road Benton Harbor, MI 49022-2692

Please include a daytime phone number in your correspondence.

### In Canada

Call the KitchenAid Canada Customer Interaction Center toll free: 1-800-461-5681 Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. (EST). Saturday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (EST).

### Our consultants provide assistance with:

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### For service in Canada

Call **1-800-807-6777.** KitchenAid Canada designated service technicians are trained to fulfill the product warranty and provide after-warranty service, anywhere in Canada.

### For further assistance

If you need further assistance, you can write to KitchenAid Canada with any questions or concerns at:

Customer Interaction Center KitchenAid Canada 1901 Minnesota Court Mississauga, Ontario L5N 3A7

Please include a daytime phone number in your correspondence.

### Accessories

To ensure the proper functioning of your compactor, use KitchenAid replacement parts only. To order replacement parts or accessories, call **1-800-442-9991** and ask for the appropriate part number listed below or contact your authorized KitchenAid dealer. In Canada, call **1-800-807-6777**.

### **Replacement Parts**

Replacement Bags - Call for Part Number.

Charcoal Air Filters - Order Part Number 4151750.

### **Trim Kits and Panels**

Please refer to "Trimless panel without handle" section for custom panel dimensions.

### **Color Panel and Handles:**

Order Part #9871907CB (Cobalt Blue)

Order Part #9871907ER (Empire Red)

Order Part #9871907MY (Majestic Yellow)

Order Part #9871907HG (Hunter Green)

### **Stainless Panel with Towel Bar Handle:**

Order Part #9871907S (Brushed stainless steel)

### Handles:

Order Part #9871564S (Brushed stainless steel)

Order Part #9871564W (White)

Order Part #9871564B (Black)

Order Part #9871564T (Biscuit)

# KITCHENAID® COMPACTOR WARRANTY

### **ONE-YEAR FULL WARRANTY**

For one year from the date of purchase, when this compactor is operated and maintained according to instructions attached to or furnished with the product, KitchenAid will pay for factory specified replacement parts and repair labor costs to correct defects in materials or workmanship. Service must be provided by a KitchenAid designated service company.

### KitchenAid will not pay for:

- 1. Service calls to correct the installation of your compactor, to instruct you how to use your compactor, to replace house fuses or correct house wiring.
- 2. Repairs when your compactor is used in other than normal, single-family household use.
- 3. Pickup and delivery. Your compactor is designed to be repaired in the home.
- 4. Damage resulting from accident, alteration, misuse, abuse, fire, flood, improper installation, acts of God, or use of products not approved by KitchenAid or KitchenAid Canada.
- 5. Repairs to parts or systems resulting from unauthorized modifications made to the appliance.
- 6. Replacement parts or repair labor costs for units operated outside the United States or Canada.
- 7. Charcoal filters.
- 8. In Canada, travel or transportation expenses for customers who reside in remote areas.

### KITCHENAID AND KITCHENAID CANADA SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.

Some states or provinces do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so this exclusion or limitation may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state or province to province.

## Outside the 50 United States and Canada, this warranty does not apply. Contact your authorized KitchenAid dealer to determine if another warranty applies.

If you need service, first see the "Troubleshooting" section of this book. After checking "Troubleshooting," additional help can be found by checking the "Assistance or Service" section or by calling the KitchenAid Customer Interaction Center, **1-800-422-1230** (toll-free), from anywhere in the U.S.A. In Canada, contact your designated KitchenAid servicer or call **1-800-807-6777.** 2/02

### Keep this book and your sales slip together for future reference. You must provide proof of purchase or installation date for in-warranty service.

Write down the following information about your compactor to better help you obtain assistance or service if you ever need it. You will need to know your complete model number and serial number. You can find this information on the model and serial number label located on the inside panel of the compactor drawer.

Dealer name	 	 	
Address	 	 	
Phone number			
Model number	LL	 	
Serial number	 	 	
Purchase date	 	 	