

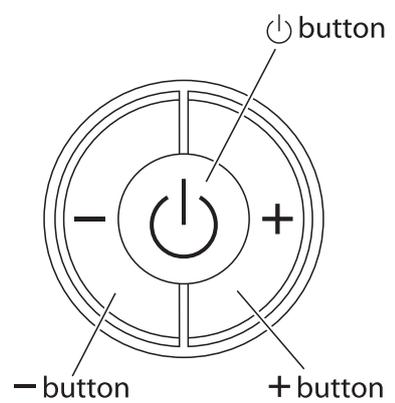
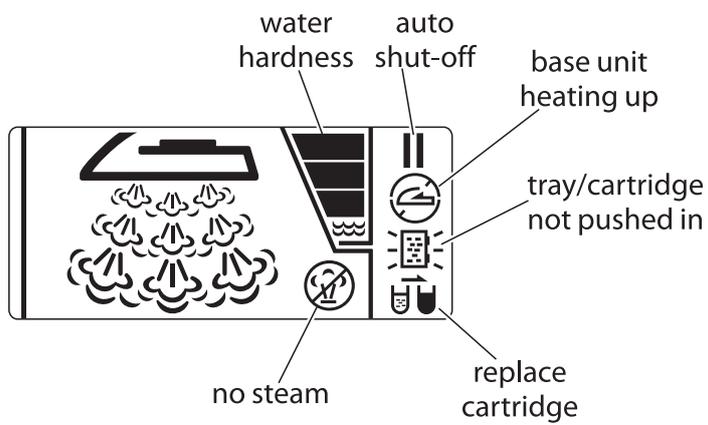
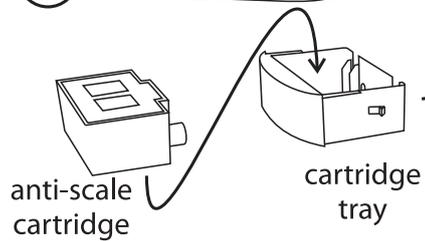
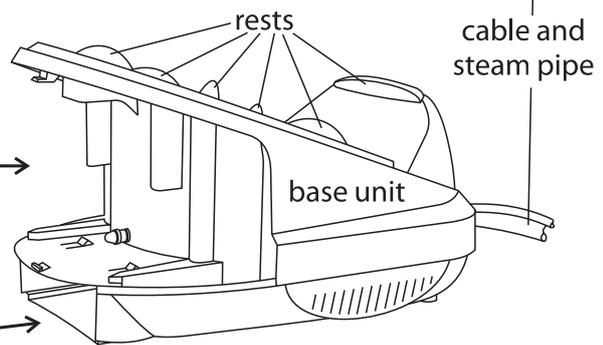
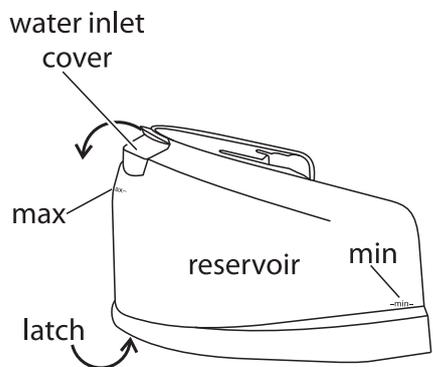
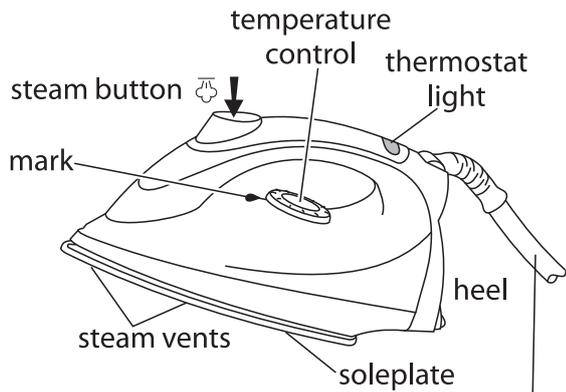
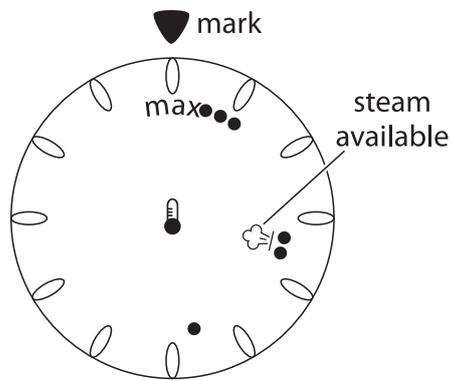
# Russell Hobbs®

## INSTRUCTIONS AND WARRANTY



**MODEL NO. 14864**

**RUSSELL HOBBS STEAM GENERATOR**





Read the instructions and keep them safe. If you pass the iron on, pass on the instructions too. Remove all packaging, but keep it till you know the iron works.

### **important safeguards**

Follow basic safety precautions, including:

- 1 This iron must only be used by or under the supervision of a responsible adult. Use and store the iron out of reach of children.
- 2 Don't put the iron in liquid, don't use it in a bathroom, near water, or outdoors. 
- 3 Route the cable so it doesn't overhang, and can't be tripped over or caught.
- 4 Don't iron clothing while it's being worn – you'll burn or scald the wearer (this is not a joke – I've seen it happen).
- 5 Don't touch the soleplate, and keep away from the steam coming from it.
- 6 Don't use the iron in the vicinity of children.
- 7 Sit the base unit on a stable, level, heat-resistant surface, preferably a purpose-built "steam generator" type ironing board.
- 8 Don't sit the base unit on a soft, carpeted, or upholstered surface, as this may block the vents underneath the base unit.
- 9 Don't leave the iron unattended while plugged in, or while it's standing on the ironing board. It could be knocked over by you, by a child, or by a pet.
- 10 Unplug before filling, before cleaning, and after use.
- 11 Don't fill past the **max** mark on the reservoir, or water may escape in use.
- 12 Unplug the iron when not in use, before moving and before cleaning. Let it cool down fully before cleaning and storing away.
- 13 Don't fit any attachment or accessory other than those we supply.
- 14 Keep the cables and steam pipe away from hot parts.
- 15 Keep the iron and the cable away from hotplates, hobs or burners.
- 16 Don't use the iron for any purpose other than those described in these instructions.
- 17 Take care not to scratch the soleplate – avoid buttons, zips, etc.
- 18 The iron has a protective thermal fuse, which will blow if it overheats. If this happens, the iron will stop working, and must be returned for repair.
- 19 Don't operate the iron if it's dropped or damaged or if it malfunctions or leaks.
- 20 If the cable is damaged, the iron must be returned, in order to avoid hazard.

### **household use only**

#### **remove all packaging**

- Remove any labels, stickers or packaging from the iron and soleplate.

#### **auto shut-off**

- If the iron is motionless for more than about fifteen minutes, the element will switch itself off.
- The base will beep, the display back light will go out, then a flashing symbol **II** will show in the top right of the display.
- To switch on again, press the  button lift it up, tilt it forward, then sit it upright to return to its operating temperature (25-45 seconds, depending on the setting)
- No settings are lost during auto shut-off.





## input the water hardness

- ✳ Before you use your iron, you must tell it how hard your water is, so that it can tell you when the anti-scale cartridge needs replacing (flashing  on the display).
- Put the iron on top of the base unit and put the plug into the power socket (switch the socket on, if it's switchable). The base unit will beep, the display will flash once.
- Press the  button on the base unit – the display will light up and beep.
- Press and hold either the + or the – button for 3 seconds (till the water hardness symbols flash).
- Now use the + and – buttons to set the hardness level.
- When you've done this, wait till the indicator flashes 3 times, then beeps.
- That's it – the iron will remember the level. You don't need to do this again unless you move to an area with harder/softer water.
- If you don't know how hard or soft your water is, a neighbour might be able to tell you. Failing that, contact your local water authority.



## cure the element

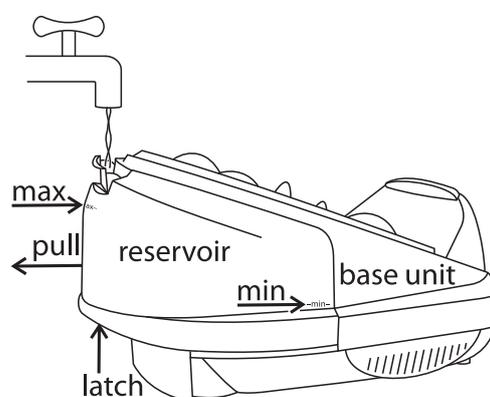
- Iron an old piece of cotton fabric (an old towel is ideal) to clean any residues from the soleplate.
- Don't worry if the iron smokes a bit at first, it'll stop as the element cures.

## preparation

- 1 Check for textile care symbols (.
- 2 Iron fabrics needing low temperatures  first, then those that need medium temperatures , and finish with those needing high temperatures  (or max).

## filling

- 3 Fill the reservoir with tap-water, the anti-scale cartridge will soften the water.
- 4 If the anti-scale cartridge needs replacing, and you don't have a replacement, you can use distilled water while you're waiting for the replacement to be delivered.
- ✳ Don't use chemically descaled water, or water from a water softener – softened water can do more damage to your iron than hard water.
- 5 If you buy distilled water, check that it's marketed as suitable for irons.
- 6 Don't add anything to the water, and don't use water with anything added to it.
- ✳ When the water is converted to steam, chemicals, perfume, and any other additives will coat the inside of the steam chamber, shortening the life of the iron.
- 7 To remove the reservoir, hold the base unit firmly with one hand, and put the fingers of the other hand up under the front of the reservoir.
- 8 Squeeze the latch towards the front of the reservoir, and pull the reservoir away from the base unit.
- 9 Flip the water inlet cover forward, and pour gently down on to the inside of the cover.
- 10 This will direct the water into the reservoir.
- 11 When you've filled the reservoir, slide it back into the base unit – you'll hear the latch click back into place.



- 12 Don't fill past the **max** mark on the reservoir.
- 13 Flip the water inlet cover back when you've finished filling, and wipe any spillage from the reservoir.

### switch on

- 14 Put the iron on the base unit – it sits on top of the rests.
- 15 Put the plug into the power socket (switch the socket on, if it's switchable).
- 16 The base unit will beep, the display will flash once.
- 17 Press the  button on the base unit – the display will flash and beep.
- 18 You'll also see  flashing on the right of the display, to show that the base unit is heating up. When  disappears, the base unit is ready. It'll normally heat more quickly than the iron, so you needn't worry about it.

### temperature setting guide

#### label marking

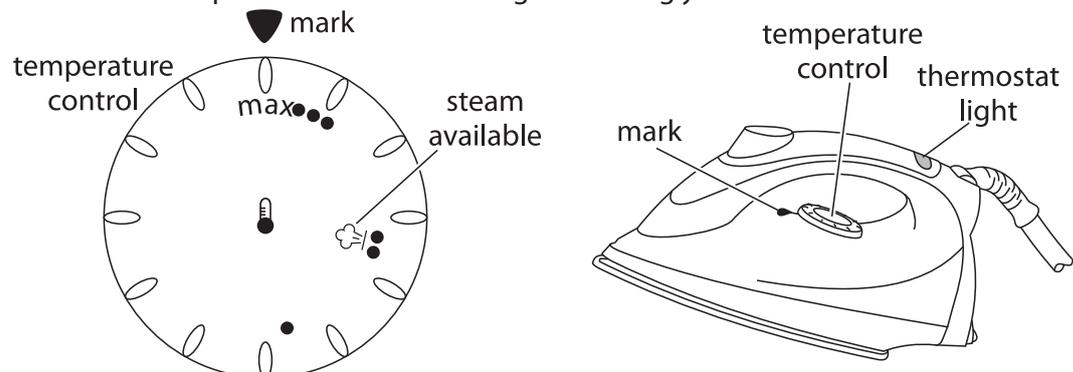
-  cool – nylon, acrylics, polyester
-  warm – wool, polyester mixtures
-  hot – cotton, linen  
denim/jeans
-  do not iron

#### temperature setting

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- max

- \* If the instructions on the fabric label differ from this guide, follow the instructions on the label.

- 19 Turn the temperature control to bring the setting you want next to the mark.



- \* If you want to use steam, set the temperature to  or higher, or you'll just get water.

- 20 The thermostat light will come on to show that the iron is heating up. It'll go out when it reaches the set temperature, then cycle on and off as the thermostat operates to maintain the temperature.

### reducing temperature

- 21 Reducing the temperature takes a bit longer, as the element has to lose the heat it has built up, so be patient. It's best to organise your ironing so that you don't need to reduce the temperature ("**preparation**" page 4, point 2).

### steam ironing

- 22 Check that the temperature control is set to  or higher, or you'll just get water.
- \* When you first want steam, you must prime the pump. Press and hold the steam button till steam reaches the soleplate. This may take up to a minute. You'll hear the pump get quieter as the steam comes through.



23 To set the steam level, press and release the **−** and **+** buttons at the right of the display (take care not to press the central **⏻** button, or you'll switch the iron off).

24 The default level is high steam, so start with the **−** button.

25 The display will change to show the steam level you've chosen:



26 Wait till the thermostat light goes out, then start ironing.

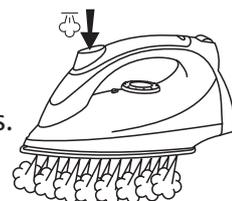
27 Press the steam button for steam, release it to stop the steam.

★ Don't let the water level drop below **min** while the iron is in use.

28 Don't hold the steam button down for more than about 5 minutes.

29 While you're steaming, the display will put on an animated show.

★ Steam may still escape from the iron after the you release the button. This is normal, don't worry about it.



### dry ironing

30 You can dry iron by just not pressing the steam button, but if you want to make sure you don't press it accidentally, then you should turn the steam generator off.

31 Press and release the **−** button till there's no steam showing under the iron in the display, and the  (no steam) symbol comes on under the water hardness symbols..

### vertical steaming

32 Remove wrinkles from hanging clothes, hanging curtains, and furnishing fabrics.

33 Check that there's adequate ventilation behind the fabric, otherwise moisture may build up, causing mildew.

34 Check that there's nothing behind the fabric that may be damaged by the steam.

35 Check that pockets, turn-ups, and cuffs are empty.

36 Check that there's water in the reservoir.

37 Check that the temperature control is at  or higher.

38 Use the **+** and **−** buttons to set the steam level you want.

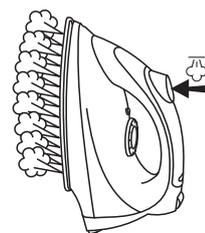
39 Hold the iron close to (but not touching) the fabric.

★ Hold it well away for delicate fabrics, and use low steam.

40 Press the steam button to produce steam.

41 Don't hold the steam button down for more than about 5 minutes.

★ Don't let the water level drop below **min** while the iron is in use.



### no water

42 If you do let the reservoir run out of water, the pump will start to get noisy.

43 Fill the reservoir (see "filling", on page 4), then prime the iron again.

### after use

44 Turn the temperature control to .

45 Sit the iron on top of the base unit.

46 Press the **⏻** button to turn off the display and elements.

47 Unplug the base unit

48 Top up the reservoir

a) this'll give you a head start next time you use the iron

b) it'll help to avoid inadvertently running out of water





49 Leave the iron to cool down completely before moving it or storing it away.

50 Turn to “cleaning” below, and clean the iron and base unit.

### **holidays**

51 If you're going to leave the iron for more than a week, it's best to empty the reservoir, to avoid mould.

52 The iron must be unplugged and cold.

53 Remove the main reservoir and empty it via the slot at the front.

54 Wipe off any excess moisture, then replace it in the base unit.

### **care and maintenance**

#### **changing the anti-scale cartridge**

1 To reduce scale build-up, you must change the anti-scale cartridge regularly. How often depends on the hardness of your water, and how much you use the iron.

2 As the base unit now knows the hardness of the water in your area, it will tell you when to change the anti-scale cartridge (flashing  on the display).

★ You must change the cartridge while the base unit is plugged in and switched on, otherwise it won't register the new cartridge.

**caution** wait till the iron cools before replacing the cartridge

3 When you see the flashing , turn the temperature control down as far as it'll go, and let the iron cool while you try to remember where you put the spare cartridge.

4 Tuck a folded towel under the front of the base unit, as you're sure to spill.

5 Remove the reservoir, otherwise it'll empty itself through the cartridge tray.

6 When the iron has cooled down, use one hand to steady the base unit.

7 Put the fingers of the other hand up and under the front of the cartridge tray.

8 The next part is just a bit tricky.

9 The cartridge is full of water, which will spill as soon as you pull the tray out.

10 If you can pull the tray out, and, at the same time, tilt it so that the rear of the tray is higher than the front, then you won't spill very much.

11 Give it a try, it's easier than juggling.

12 Tip the old cartridge into the sink to drain.

13 Wipe any spillage from the base unit and cartridge tray, and remove the wet towel.

14 Remove the packaging from the new cartridge and drop it into the cartridge tray.

15 Replace the cartridge tray in the base unit.

16 Replace the reservoir in the base unit.

★ Check the display,  flashing means the cartridge or tray isn't pushed in properly.

#### **cleaning**

17 Unplug the iron when not in use, before moving and before cleaning. Let it cool down fully before cleaning and storing away.

18 Wipe outer surfaces with a damp cloth. If necessary, use a little washing-up liquid.

19 Remove spots from the soleplate with a little vinegar.

20 Take care not to scratch the soleplate.

21 Don't put the iron in water or any other liquid.

22 Don't use harsh or abrasive cleaning agents or solvents.



## SERVICING THE APPLIANCE

There are no user serviceable parts in this appliance. If the unit is not operating correctly, please check the following:

- You have followed the instructions correctly.
- That the unit has been wired correctly and that the wall socket is switched on.
- That the mains power supply is ON.
- That the plug is firmly in the mains socket.

If the appliance still does not work after checking the above:

Consult the retailer for possible repair or replacement. If the retailer fails to resolve the problem and you need to return the appliance, make sure that:

- The unit is packed carefully back into its original packaging.
- Proof of purchase is attached.
- A reason is provided for why it is being returned.

If the supply cord is damaged, it must be replaced by the manufacturer or an authorised service agent, in order to avoid any hazard. If service becomes necessary within the warranty period, the appliance should be returned to an approved Amalgamated Appliances / Tedalex Trading (Pty) Ltd service centre. Servicing outside the warranty period is still available, but will, however, be chargeable.

## CHANGING THE PLUG

Should the need arise to change the fitted plug, follow the instructions below.

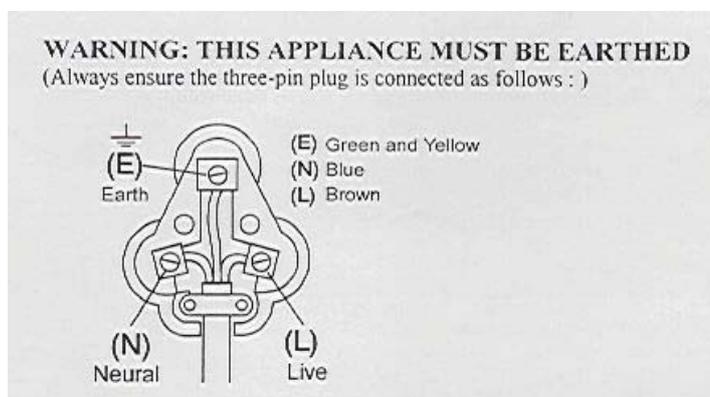
**This unit is designed to operate on the specified current (on the rating label of the product) only. Connecting to other power sources may damage the appliance. Connect a three-pin plug as follows:**

The wires in this mains lead are coloured in accordance with the following code:

Green/Yellow = Earth

Blue = Neutral

Brown = Live



**PLEASE AFFIX YOUR PROOF OF PURCHASE/RECEIPT HERE  
IN THE EVENT OF A CLAIM UNDER WARRANTY THIS RECEIPT MUST BE PRODUCED.**

## **WARRANTY**

1. Tedalex Trading (Pty) Limited ("Tedalex") warrants to the original purchaser of this product ("the customer") that this product will be free of defects in quality and workmanship which under normal personal, family or household use and purpose may manifest within a period of 1 (one) year from the date of purchase ("warranty period").
2. Where the customer has purchased a product and it breaks, is defective or does not work properly for the intended purpose, the customer must notify the supplier from whom the customer bought the product ("the supplier") thereof within the warranty period. Any claim in terms of this warranty must be supported by a proof of purchase. If proof of purchase is not available, then repair, and/or service charges may be payable by the customer to the supplier.
3. The faulty product must be taken to the supplier's service centre to exercise the warranty.
4. The supplier will refund, repair or exchange the product in terms of this warranty subject to legislative requirements. This warranty shall be valid only where the customer has not broken the product himself, or used the product for something that it is not supposed to be used for. The warranty does not include and will not be construed to cover products damaged as a result of disaster, misuse, tamper, abuse or any unauthorised modification or repair of the product.
5. This warranty will extend only to the product provided at the date of the purchase and not to any expendables attached or installed by the customer.
6. If the customer requests that the supplier repairs the product and the product breaks or fails to work properly within 3 (three) months of the repair and not as a result of misuse, tampering or modification by or on behalf of the customer, then the supplier may replace the product or pay a refund to the customer.
7. The customer may be responsible for certain costs where products returned are not in the original packaging, or if the packaging is damaged. This will be deducted from any refund paid to the customer.

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