



# QUICK START GUIDE

## HEAVY-DUTY #10 CAN OPENERS

### MODELS

**181CONSBSS** - Stainless Steel Base

**181CONSBST** - Plated Steel Base

**181CONSFNB** - No Base

### SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

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The can opener can cause the lid and edges of the can to be sharp. Use caution when handling newly opened can.

### OPERATION

1. Position the can you are opening on the counter on top of the base with the lip of the can touching the can opener.
2. Line up the knife on the inside lip of the can.
3. With the handle upright, punch down so the knife punctures the can's lid.
4. Push the handle down so it is parallel with the counter and begin turning the handle to open the can.
5. Once the lid is separated, safely remove it from the can.  
**NOTE:** Avoid touching the sharp edges of the lid that were created while opening the can.
6. Pull the can opener up and move the can away from the opener.

### MAINTENANCE

1. **Check the Blade:** Carefully run your fingernail along the blade edges to feel for any nicks or grooves. If you find one, flip the blade to use the other edge or replace both the blade and the gear. Not doing this could cause metal shavings during use.
2. **Check the Gear:** Open a #10 can and look at the outer lip of the can. If the groove marks from the gear are wide or uneven, the gear might be slipping. This could cause metal shavings from the can. If this happens, replace the gear and blade.
3. **Check for Rust or Wear:** Look over the can opener for any rust or signs of heavy wear. If you see either, replace the can opener.
4. **Inspection Frequency:** Inspect the can opener weekly, or more often depending on how frequently it's used.
5. **Do Not Sharpen the Blade:** The blade is purposely dull to avoid creating metal shavings during use. If the can opener isn't cutting properly or creating metal shavings, replace the blade and gear.

### CLEANING

1. The can opener's surface and knife should be cleaned regularly using a food safe sanitizer.  
**Recommended:** Noble Chemical QuikSan (147QUIKSAN).
2. Remove ring pin from blade housing and remove blade assembly.
3. Thoroughly clean and dry blade assembly. Use a toothbrush-style brush to clean the inside of the blade housing.
4. Reattach blade assembly to blade housing with ring pin.
5. After cleaning, apply a food-safe oil to the gear to keep it turning smoothly.

**It is recommended the knife and gear are replaced at the same time for optimal performance.**

### REPLACING THE KNIFE (181NSFKNIFMA)

1. Using either a Phillips or flat head screwdriver, remove the 2 screws that connect the knife to the opener.
2. Remove and discard the old knife while **keeping the knife support plate**.
3. Position the new knife in line with the holes and place the support plate on top of the knife.
4. Use the screwdriver to tighten the screws.

### REPLACING THE GEAR (181COM1GEARMA)

1. Insert the can opener into the base for leverage.
2. Use a flat head screwdriver to hold the gear in place by jamming it into the teeth of the old gear. You will need to apply enough pressure to hold the gear in place.
3. With the screwdriver in place, begin turning the handle counterclockwise. You should feel the tension in the spring ease up and the gear will come loose after a few turns.
4. Remove the old gear and keep the washer. Insert the new gear with the washer on top.
5. Turn the handle clockwise until the handle connects to the shaft below the gear. The spring should tighten back up.

### REPLACEMENT PARTS

These parts can be purchased from the same location as the can opener.

**181BASE1PSMA** - Plated Steel Base

**181BASE1SSMA** - Stainless Steel Base

**181NSFKNIFMA** - Knife

**181NSFBGRPKIT** - Knife & Gear Kit

**181COM1SUPMA** - Knife Support

**181C01SCRWMA** - Screw Set

**181COM1GEARMA** - Gear

**181C01WASHMA** - Washer

