

# WHIRLPOOL® Microwave Hood Combination

## Models WMH53521H and WMH54521H Quick Reference Guide

### POPCORN (sensor)

Senses 3.0-3.5 oz (85-99 g) size bag:  
Place bag on turntable. Listen for popping to slow to 1 pop every 1 or 2 seconds, then stop the cycle. Fan operates only on low during Popcorn function.

### POTATO

Small potatoes: 1-4 pieces, 4-7 oz (113-198 g).  
Large potatoes: Senses 1-4 pieces, 8-10 oz (227-283 g).  
Pierce each potato several times with a fork. Place on paper towel, around turntable edges, at least 1" (2.5 cm) apart. Place single potato to the side of the turntable. Let stand 5 minutes after cooking.

### DINNER PLATE (sensor)

Reheats 1 serving (1 plate), about 8-16 oz (227-454 g): Place food on microwave-safe plate, cover with plastic wrap, and vent.

**MENU PROGRAMS:** Touch the menu control repeatedly to scroll through program options. Rest on the desired program option. Follow display prompts to select submenu items and/or amounts, and then start the program.

### VEGETABLE

- Fresh Vegetable** – Senses 1-4 cups (250 mL-1 L): Place in microwave-safe container. Add 2-4 tbs (30-60 mL) water. Cover with plastic wrap, and vent. Stir and let stand 2-3 minutes after cooking.
- Frozen Vegetable** – Senses 1-4 cups (250 mL-1 L): Remove from package. Place in microwave-safe container. Add 2-4 tbs (30-60 mL) water. Cover with plastic wrap, and vent. Stir and let stand 2-3 minutes after cooking.
- Canned Vegetable** – 1, 2, 3 or 4 cups (250, 500, 750 mL, or 1 L): Place in microwave-safe container. Cover with plastic wrap, and vent. Stir and let stand 2-3 minutes after cooking.

### REHEAT

- Casserole** – 1, 2, 3, or 4 cups (250, 500, 750 mL, or 1 L): Place in microwave-safe container and cover with plastic wrap. Stir and let stand 2-3 minutes after reheating.
- Soup** – Senses 1-4 cups (250 mL-1 L): Place in microwave-safe container and cover with plastic wrap. Stir and let stand 2-3 minutes after reheating.
- Sauce** – Senses 1-4 cups (250 mL-1 L): Place in microwave-safe container and cover with plastic wrap. Stir and let stand 2-3 minutes after reheating.
- Baked Goods** – 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 pieces, 2 oz (57 g) each: Place on paper towel. Two small rolls may be counted as 1 piece.

### DEFROST

- Meat** – 0.2 to 6.6 lbs (90 g to 3 kg): Remove wrap and place in microwave-safe dish. Do not cover.
- Poultry** – 0.2 to 6.6 lbs (90 g to 3 kg): Remove wrap and place breast side up in microwave-safe dish. Do not cover.
- Fish** – 0.2 to 4.4 lbs (90 g to 2 kg): Remove wrap and place in microwave-safe dish. Do not cover.
- Quick Defrost (auto)** – 1.0 lb (454 g) only: Remove wrap and place in microwave-safe dish. Do not cover. Turn over food at signal.

### PIZZA

Reheats 1, 2 or 3, slices, 4 oz (113 g) each:  
Place on paper towel lined paper plate.

### FROZEN ENTRÉE (sensor and non-sensor): Enter ounces.

Senses 10 or 20 oz (283 or 567 g), or cooks 40 or 60 oz (1134 or 1701 g) (preset programs):  
Remove from package. Loosen cover on 3 sides. If entrée is not in microwave-safe container, place on plate, cover with plastic wrap, and vent. Place food toward edge of the turntable.

### BEVERAGE

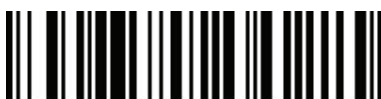
Reheats 1 or 2 cups, 8 oz (250 mL) each:  
Do not cover. The diameter of the cup's opening will affect how the liquid heats. Beverages in cups with smaller openings may heat faster.

### SOFTEN/MELT

- Soften Butter** – 0.5, 1.0, 1.5, or 2.0 sticks: Unwrap and place in microwave-safe dish.
- Melt Butter** – 0.5, 1.0, 1.5, or 2.0 sticks: Unwrap and place in microwave-safe dish.
- Soften Ice Cream** – 16, 32, or 64 oz (473, 946, or 1893 mL): Place ice cream container on turntable.
- Soften Cream Cheese** – 3 or 8 oz (85 or 227 g): Unwrap and place in microwave-safe dish.
- Soften Frozen Juice** – 12 or 16 oz (340 or 454 g): Remove lid from container.
- Melt Chocolate** – 4, 6, 8, or 12 oz (113, 170, 227, or 340 g): Place in microwave-safe dish.
- Melt Cheese** – 8 or 16 oz (227 or 454 g): Place in microwave-safe dish. Stir at signal.
- Melt Marshmallows** – 5 or 10 oz (142 or 283 g): Place in microwave-safe dish.

### COOK

- Bacon** – 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 slices, average thickness: Follow directions on package.
- French Toast** – 1, 2, 3, or 4 pieces: Follow directions on package.
- Cereal** – 1, 2, 3, or 4 servings: Follow directions on package. Use microwave-safe bowl with high sides.
- Rice** – Senses 0.5-2.0 cups (125-500 mL) dry, white long grain:  
Follow measurements on package for ingredient amounts. Use microwave-safe dish with loose-fitting lid. Let stand 5 minutes after cooking, or until liquid is absorbed. Stir.



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**STEAM/SIMMER (sensor):** Use microwave-safe container with a loose-fitting lid. Sensor will detect when liquid begins to boil, then begin the Steam or Simmer countdown.

**NOTE:** Do not remove the lid while the container is in the microwave oven, as a rush of steam would disrupt the sensor readings.

**1 Steam Recipes:** Place small microwave-safe dish (for example, custard dish) with 2-4 tbs (30-60 mL) water in center of container. Use 2 tbs (30 mL) water for smaller quantities, or 4 tbs (60 mL) water for larger quantities of food. Place food in container around the small dish. Cover with loose-fitting lid.

- Fresh Vegetables – Senses 1-4 cups (250 mL-1 L):
- Frozen Vegetables – Senses 1-4 cups (250 mL-1 L):
- Potatoes – Senses 1-4 cups (250 mL-1 L):
- Boneless Chicken – Senses 0.5-1.5 lbs (142-680 g):

**2 Manual Steam:** Place small microwave-safe dish (for example, custard dish) with 2-4 tbs (30-60 mL) water in center of container. Use 2 tbs (30 mL) water for smaller quantities, or 4 tbs (60 mL) water for larger quantities of food. Place food in container around the small dish. Cover with loose-fitting lid. Enter Steam time. Sample approximate steam times:

- Soft vegetables 1-3 min (ex.: spinach - 4 cups [1 L] 1 min)
- Hard vegetables 3-6 min (ex.: broccoli - 2 cups [500 mL] 4 min)
- Frozen vegetables 4-5 min

Use longer times for more doneness, or when steaming larger quantities.

### **3 Manual Simmer:**

**Rice:** Add liquid and food to microwave-safe container. Cover with loose-fitting lid. Enter simmer time. Simmer time will begin counting down after the sensor detects steam from boiling liquid.

**Pasta:** Add liquid to microwave-safe container. Cover with loosefitting lid. Enter simmer time of 1 second. Simmer time will begin counting down after the sensor detects steam from boiling liquid. When the microwave oven stops, remove container, remove the lid, and add the pasta. Re-cover and return the container to the microwave oven. Clear the display using the Cancel control, then reprogram the simmer function, and enter the new simmer time (ex.: dry spaghetti - 11-12 min).