



*Products for Foodservice*

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# ***PRODUCT MANUAL- M090 REV. A***

## ***MODEL 203/266***

### ***ELECTRIC CAN OPENER***

*Please read thoroughly before operation and keep for future reference*



## I. SPECIFICATIONS

MODEL NO.	266	203
POWER	115 VOLT, 1 AMP, 50-60HZ	115 VOLT, 1 AMP, 50-60HZ
REQUIREMENTS	230 VOLT, 0.5 AMP, 50-60 HZ	230 VOLT, 0.5 AMP, 50-60 HZ
NORMAL SPEED	200-250 RPM	200-250 RPM
LOW SPEED	NONE	150-200 RPM
SIZE	4 - 3/8" w X 7" D X 12" H	4 - 3/8" W X 7" D X 12" H
	(111mm x 178mm x 305mm)	(111mm x 178mm x 305mm)
WEIGHT	12-3/4 lbs. (5.75 kg.)	13 lbs. (5.85 kg.)

## II. CAN OPENER DESCRIPTION

Underwriters Laboratories, Inc and Canadian Standard approve the model 203/266 electric can openers manufactured by the Edlund Company Inc., in the 115-volt configuration. The two models differ only in that the model 266 can opener operates at a single speed while the model 203 can opener operates at the normal speed and a slower speed so that it is easier to open smaller or difficult to open cans.

The model 203/266 can openers are table-type openers with a weighted base to offset the weight of a full No. 10 can. The external housing and cover are manufactured of stainless steel, while the knife holder is made of nickel-plated cast iron.

## III. CAN OPENER OPERATION

To operate, plug the power cord into a grounded outlet with the same voltage as listed on the back of the can opener. If you are opening a standard seven-inch high no. 10 can, slide the can against the can opener drive gear and push the handle back to its locked-down position.

The can opener motor will start after the can bead is captured between the knife and drive gear and before the knife pierces the can. The can will start to rotate, and after on full revolution the lid will be severed from the can. After the lid is completely severed from the can pull the handle forward to stop the can opener motor. If for some reason the lid is not completely severed or if the can is ejected from the gear, consult the maintenance instruction and/or trouble-shooting guide later in this manual.

To open a shorter can, the operator must support the can on his left or right hand, place the cans top bead over the drive gear and push the handle back to it locked down position so that the can is held firmly between the knife and gear. The supporting hand should then be removed completely from the can until the can lid is completely severed from the can. If the operator restricts the rotation of the can by holding on to the can, the can opener may reject the can. After the can is opened



pull forward on the handle and grasp the can simultaneously. If a small can is not opened properly, consult the troubleshooting guide.

**CAUTION: SEVERED CAN LIDS HAVE SHARP EDGES. USE OF A PROTECTIVE GLOVE OR TONGS IS ADVISED WHEN HANDLING LIDS.**

## **IV. CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS**

The can openers must be kept clean, not only for the obvious reasons of sanitation but more important, for operational reasons as well. An electric can opener's rotary knife must rotate freely for the can opener to operate properly. If the knife is bound but residual food product, the knife will not rotate and wear will not be distributed around the periphery of the knife.

**More important than the wear, a non-rotating knife will no longer be shearing the metal can top as designed and metal slivers may occur.**

The knife (K006) should be removed often by unscrewing the knife stud (S196) from the knife holder (H021) so that the knife, knife stud and knife holder can be properly cleaned. Clean the knife holder by wiping off the knife holder boss with a damp cloth. To greatly reduce the chances of the knife sticking and rusting after cleaning, lubricate the knife stud, knife holder boss and hub of the knife with vegetable oil. Replace the knife with the smaller diameter hub meeting the machined boss of the knife holder.

**Be sure the knife is rotating easily after parts are reassembled.**

The factory-made edge of the can opener knife is designed to shear through the metal can lid. It will not function properly if allowed to become dull or nicked. If through wear a knife becomes excessively dull, it will be difficult to pierce the can and the knife will no longer sever the lid completely at the end of the cut. Replace the knife when it becomes excessively dull or if nicks occur on the cutting edge.

**Warning: The can opener knife is not designed to be sharpened. If the knife-edge is made truly sharp it can shave off slivers.**

The teeth of the drive gear must be clean and sharp. Wipe off the drive gear with a damp cloth after every use to remove the build-up of food residues. Coat the drive gear with vegetable oil to prevent rusting. If the drive gear starts to slip on the bead of the can its teeth may be worn. To replace it, give the gear a sharp rap counter clockwise with a hammer and screwdriver until it can be removed (otherwise, turning the gear will only rotate the motor.) then screw a new drive gear on counterclockwise until it is up against the output shaft shoulder.

**Caution: Thin spacers washers (W034) are often used to control the gap between the knife and the gear. Inspect the worn gear when removed to be sure spacer washers are not stuck to the gear. If they are present clean them and return them to the output shaft behind the gear.**

If for any reason the can opener does not function properly, consult the troubleshooting guide for assistance or contact an authorized service agent. Do not operate damaged can openers.

**A qualified technician should do all internal repairs.**

Problem	Cause	Correction
I. Can opener will not start.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cordset not plugged into outlet.</li> <li>2. Circuit breaker tripped (CSA &amp; 230 volt models.)</li> <li>3. Inoperative actuating switch (S229).</li> <li>4. Motor brushes (B117) worn.</li> <li>5. Motor may have failed.</li> <li>6. Broken wires or loose terminals.</li> <li>7. Broken two speed switch (Model 203 only) (S312)</li> <li>8. Cordset has broken wire.</li> <li>9. Blown fuse on cordset (Great Britain - 230 volt model).</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Plug cordset into grounded outlet with same voltage as listed on rating label located on back of opener.</li> <li>2. Reset breaker, if breaker continues to trip, replace breaker.</li> <li>3. Replace switch.</li> <li>4. Check for continuity and replace brushes and brush springs (S158) as required.</li> <li>5. Check motor and replace as necessary with appropriate voltage motor.</li> <li>6. Check wiring for continuity and repair or replace as required.</li> <li>7. Replace switch.</li> <li>8. Check for continuity and replace as required.</li> <li>9. Check fuse and replace as necessary.</li> </ol>
II. Can opener rejects cans.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clearance between back of knife and front of gear too large (see sketch.)</li> <li>2. Motor actuates too soon.</li> <li>3. Knifeholder is sticking.</li> <li>4. Knife not rotating.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. With handle in locked-down position check clearance between back of knife and front of gear using flat feeler gauge. Clearance should be .001-.005. Shim gear with W034 washer to obtain clearance.</li> <li>2. Screw down on S086 adjusting screw until motor comes on when bottom of knife is at top of gear teeth to half way down teeth of gear G006.</li> <li>3. If knifeholder does not move all the way down, switch will come on too soon. Remove and clean knifeholder and mounting surface. Lubricate with non-sticking vegetable oil.</li> <li>4. Remove knife and knife stud, clean and lubricate using non-stocking vegetable oil. Replace knife and knife stud. Knife must rotate freely.</li> </ol>
III. Drive gear won't turn can.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Worn drive gear (G006).</li> <li>2. Clearance between top of drive gear and radius at back of knife larger than .120. (See sketch, Item II-1).</li> <li>3. Bent knife stud (S196).</li> <li>4. Worn knife stud hole in knifeholder (H021).</li> <li>5. Gear in gear train broken loose from pinion.</li> <li>6. Threaded hole in spring block (B057) distorted.</li> <li>7. Worn can stop on knifeholder (H021).</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace gear.</li> <li>2. Check clearance. If clearance is larger than .120 replace knifeholder (H021) and check clearance. If clearance still too large, check linkage assembly. Assembly (A580) may be worn.</li> <li>3. Replace stud.</li> <li>4. Replace knifeholder.</li> <li>5. If motor runs but output shaft doesn't rotate, check for loose gears on pinion shafts in gear train. Replace as necessary.</li> <li>6. If linkage assembly not worn, check for distorted hole in spring block.</li> <li>7. Replace knifeholder.</li> </ol>
IV. Slivers found on can lid or in food product.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Factory knife edge altered or nicked.</li> <li>2. Knife doesn't rotate.</li> <li>3. Sharp edge on knifeholder can stop.</li> <li>4. Drive gear is slipping or milling (removing metal from can bead).</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace K006 knife.</li> <li>2. Remove knife from knifeholder, clean knife, knife stud and knife mounting surface. Lubricate with non-sticking vegetable oil. If knife still doesn't turn, replace knifeholder.</li> <li>3. Check knifeholder for sharp edge or grooves on can stop. Replace as required.</li> <li>4. See Problem III-2.</li> </ol>
V. Knife won't sever lid completely.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Dull knife (K006).</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace knife.</li> </ol>