



**1600 Watt Professional  
Steam Iron  
Model EP480**

## **USE AND CARE INSTRUCTIONS**

**Congratulations! You are the owner of the *Shark* 1600 Watt Professional Steam Iron. To fully enjoy the advantages of your appliance, please take a few minutes to read all the “Use & Care Instructions” and keep the instructions handy for easy reference. Please review the product warranty and mail the owner registration form.**

# IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using your iron, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including the following:

1. Read all instructions before using the iron.
2. Use iron only for its intended use.
3. To protect against a risk of electrical shock, do not immerse in water or other liquids.
4. The iron thermostat should always be turned to its lowest position before plugging or unplugging from outlet. Never yank cord to disconnect from outlet, instead grasp plug and pull to disconnect.
5. Do not allow cord to touch hot surfaces. Let iron cool completely before putting away. Loop cord loosely around iron when storing.
6. Always disconnect iron from electrical outlet when filling iron with water or emptying and when not in use.
7. Do not operate iron with a damaged cord or if the iron has been dropped or damaged. To avoid the risk of electrical shock, do not disassemble the iron. Send it to an authorized **EURO-PRO Operating LLC** service center for examination and repair. Incorrect reassembly can cause a risk of electric shock when iron is used.
8. Close supervision is necessary for any appliance used by or near children. Do not leave iron unattended while connected or on an ironing board.
9. Burns can occur from touching hot metal parts, hot water or steam. Use caution when you turn a steam iron upside down as there may be hot water in the reservoir. Never direct steam at any person, especially when using the iron in a vertical position. The steam is very hot and can cause burns.
10. The use of accessory attachments not recommended by **EURO-PRO Operating LLC** may result in fire, electrical shock or personal injury.
11. Do not operate in the presence of explosive and/or flammable fumes.
12. Do not use iron outdoors.
13. This product is for household use only.

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**SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS**

## **SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS**

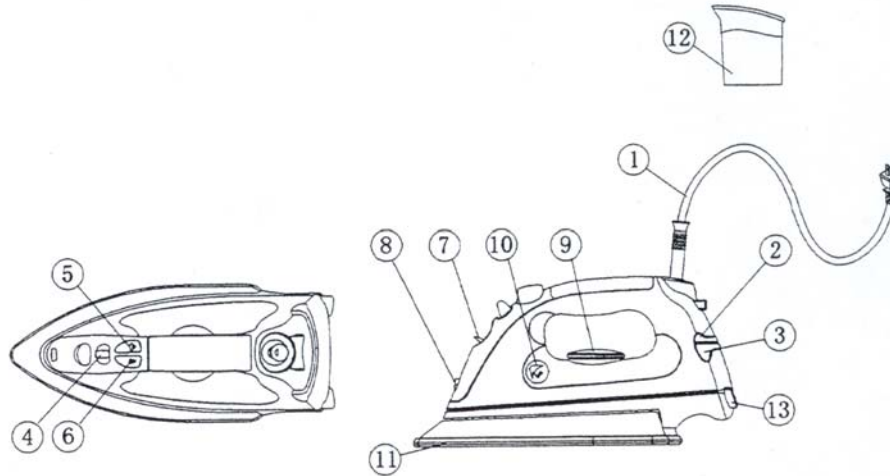
1. To avoid a circuit overload, do not operate another high-wattage appliance on the same circuit.
2. If an extension is absolutely necessary, a 15-ampere rated cord with a polarized plug should be used. Cords rated for less amperage may overheat. Care should be taken to arrange the cord so that it cannot be pulled on or tripped over.

**POLARIZED PLUG** This appliance has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other). As a safety feature, this plug will fit into a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully into the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Do not attempt to defeat this safety feature.

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# SHARK PROFESSIONAL STEAM IRON

1. Power Supply Cord
2. Auto Shut-Off Light
3. Thermostat Light
4. Variable Steam Control
5. Burst of Steam Button
6. Spray Button
7. Water Filling Inlet Cover
8. Spray Nozzle
9. Temperature Control Dial
10. Water Level Window
11. Stainless Steel Soleplate
12. Water Measuring Beaker
13. Iron Heel Rest



# IMPORTANT

## Resetting After Auto Shut-Off

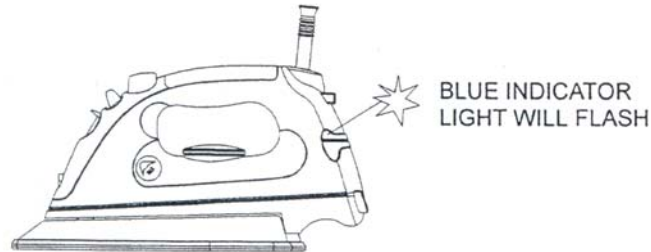
The auto shut-off safety function of your SHARK EP480 Iron is designed to engage after approximately 8 minutes of non use. The **blue** indicator light will flash when the auto shut-off has activated.

To reset your iron and continue ironing follow these steps.

- 1) Lift iron from stand.
- 2) Holding the iron horizontally in front of you, gently rock the iron back and forth several times. This motion will reset the safety switch inside the iron. **Do not shake the iron.**

The **red** temperature light will illuminate when the auto shut-off system has been reset. Allow time for the iron to re-heat. The **red** indicator light will go out when the iron is ready for use.

**Caution:** Do not use the auto shut-off feature as a substitute for turning the iron off and unplugging the iron when not in use.



## BEFORE FIRST USE

**Remove any labels, stickers or tags which may be attached to the body or soleplate of the iron before using the iron.**

Read all instructions for use carefully. Always follow the Important Safeguards.

### IMPORTANT

The first time an iron is used, some odor and small white particles may come out of the steam vents. This is perfectly normal and will cease to occur after the iron has been in use for a short while.

**Before you start using your iron**, follow the instructions in the manual and do the following in order to eliminate any odor and small white residue particles and to ensure optimum steam performance.

Fill the iron with regular tap water.

Set the temperature control dial at **its highest** and steam control at **'0'**.

When the thermostat light goes off to indicate that the iron has reached the selected temperature, set the steam control at **MAX**.

Keep the iron in a horizontal position and allow it to steam until the water runs out.

Press the steam burst button to eliminate white residue particles.

Repeat this procedure through 2 or 3 fillings of water.

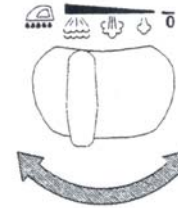
## CHOOSING THE IRONING TEMPERATURE

Set the temperature dial according to the type of fabric .

- Synthetics  
(low temperature)
- Silk, Wool  
(medium temperature)
- Cotton, Linen  
(high temperature)



Temperature Control Dial



Variable Steam Control

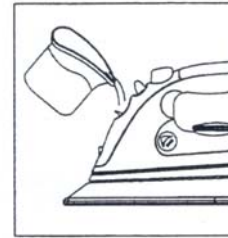
**Please note:** Before starting to iron delicate fabrics, it is best to first test the temperature of the iron on a hem or an inside seam.

## CONNECTING THE IRON TO THE POWER SUPPLY

- Make sure that the variable steam control dial is set at '0'.
- Place the iron upright on the heel rest.
- Select the required temperature setting on the temperature control dial.
- The red thermostat light will come on indicating that the iron is heating up.
- When the red light goes out, the set temperature has been reached and the iron is ready to use.
- The thermostat ready light will go on & off as the thermostat is switching the heating element on & off to maintain the selected temperature.

## FILLING WITH WATER

- Ensure the unit is unplugged from the main supply before filling.
- Set the variable steam control (4) to position "MIN" (ie. No steam)
- slide the water filling inlet cover (7) down and use the measuring beaker (12) to pour the water in through the filling aperture (see picture).
- Do not overfill.



Note: Regular tap water can be used up to 12 grains water hardness but if your water exceeds this we suggest using 1/3 tap water and 2/3 distilled water. Never use 100% distilled water as this could cause water spitting and low steam performance.



# IRONING WITH STEAM

- Make sure iron is unplugged from power source.
- Set the variable steam control to '0'.
- Fill the iron with water following the instructions for filling.
- Plug the cord into a 120 Volt AC electrical outlet.
- Set the temperature control dial within the steam area i.e. '•••'.
- Make sure that the iron has reached the selected temperature with the variable steam control set at '0'.

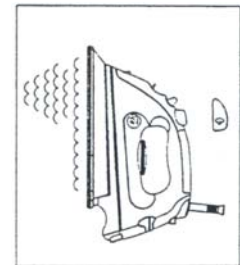
**IMPORTANT:** Do not open the steam control until the thermostat light goes off to indicate that the selected temperature within the steam range has been reached. If you move the variable steam control up from '0' before the correct temperature is reached, the iron will drip water.

- The variable steam control offers a few different settings:

**PLEASE NOTE:** For maximum steam the temperature control should be set at the beginning only for very delicate fabrics requiring very gentle steam (setting •).



- Steam is produced as soon as the iron is held in a horizontal position.
- Steam will stop coming out when the iron is put on its heel in a vertical position or by turning the steam control dial to '0'.
- Vertical steam: For vertical burst of steam, pump control button (5) located on the top of the handle selection of your iron. The vertical steam function is useful for steaming curtains and drapes while still hanging, or for powering out stubborn wrinkles while ironing on a board.

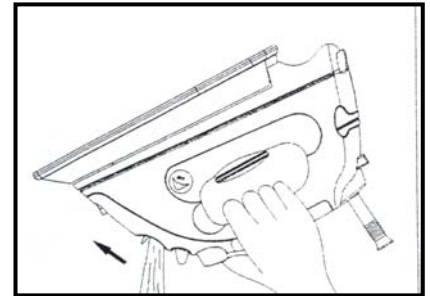


## WATER SPRAY

- Use the spray button to add moisture to stubborn wrinkles.
- First make sure that there is water in the tank.
- Press the spray button (6) slowly to get a jet spray.
- Press the spray button strongly and quickly to get a mist.
- Please note: If spray does not come out when you press the spray button, cover the spray opening with your finger and press a few times.

## TO EMPTY THE IRON

- Always empty iron after each usage.
- After using the iron, turn the variable steam control to '0' and the temperature control dial to **'minimum'**.
- Unplug the iron from the power source.
- Set variable steam control to **'MAX'**.
- Open the water inlet cover and turn the iron up-side down over the sink with the tip pointing downward and allow the water to flow from the opening.
- Set variable steam control to **'0'**.
- Allow iron to cool on the iron rest before storing.



**WARNING:** Use caution when you turn the iron up-side down - there may be hot water in the reservoir. Burns can occur from touching hot metal parts, hot water or steam.


## TO ADD WATER

- Unplug iron from the electrical outlet.
- Follow instructions to empty the iron.
- Then, follow the instructions for filling the iron.

**Following this procedure will ensure that you do not overfill the iron.**

## SELF-CLEANING

In order to remove calcium and built-up particles, the self-cleaning system should be run at least once a month.

- Fill the watering beaker provided to the half-full mark and then pour into the water reservoir.
- Set the variable steam control (4) to the no steam position.
- Insert the main plug into the wall socket.
- Set the temperature control dial (9) to the maximum temperature.
- Wait until the thermostat light (3) goes off and steam iron has reached preset temperature.
- Remove the plug from the wall socket.
- Hold the steam iron horizontally over a sink.
- Turn the variable steam control (4) to “Self-Clean  ” position. Hot water and steam will be emitted from the soleplate. Swing the steam iron lightly back and forth gently to allow lime and dust particles to come out.
- When the water reservoir is empty, shift the variable steam control from “Self-Clean” position to “0”.
- Stand the iron upright and insert the plug into the wall socket to let the iron heat up again.
- Move the iron over a clean cotton cloth to clean the soleplate and let the remaining water on the soleplate evaporate.

## CLEANING, STORAGE & MAINTENANCE

- Always turn the variable steam control to '0' after you have emptied the water tank.
- Allow iron to cool down.
- Always store the iron on the metal iron rest or in an upright position on it's heel rest to protect the soleplate.
- From time to time clean the exterior with a damp cloth and wipe dry.
- If you use spray starch, wipe the soleplate occasionally with a soft damp cloth to prevent the forming of a deposit.
- If the iron has not been used for a few weeks, hold the iron horizontally and allow it to steam for 2 minutes before ironing.

**WARNING:** The anti-drip function reduces water dripping and water stains. It does not prevent water dripping or water stains if you press the steam burst button too often or if temperature is too low. The amount of water droplets will eventually decrease after iron is used for 2 to 3 tankfuls of steaming and ironing.

# Iron Troubleshooting

Problem	Potential Reasons & Solutions
Iron does not heat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Iron should be plugged into a 120V AC electrical outlet only. Make sure that the plug is securely in the socket.</li> <li>• Thermostat set too low. Turn to higher setting.</li> <li>• Auto shut-off may be activated. Move iron gently or shake.</li> </ul>
Thermostat Ready light goes On and Off	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This is normal. The light goes On and Off as the thermostat is switching the heating element On and Off to maintain the selected temperature.</li> </ul>
Some odor or small particles come out of steam vents of new iron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This is normal. Follow instructions for first use and allow iron to steam through 2-3 fillings &amp; press the steam burst button occasionally to eliminate small white particles.</li> </ul>
Iron does not steam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water tank may be empty or water level is very low. Add water.</li> <li>• Make sure that the temperature control dial and the variable steam control are correctly set. For maximum steam, (setting 'Max' on steam control), temperature control dial should be set on '•••'.</li> <li>• Always allow the iron to reach the selected temperature with the steam setting at '0'. Make sure the temperature control dial is set in the correct steam area and the steam control is <u>not</u> on '0'. For more steam, turn temperature dial to higher setting. e.g. '•••' and the steam control to 'Max'.</li> <li>• If temperature setting and steam control setting are correct and there is no steam, <u>gently</u> tap the soleplate on the ironing board a few times. Move the variable steam control from '0' to 'Max' a few times.</li> </ul>

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# Iron Troubleshooting

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## Problem

## Potential Reasons & Solutions

Water droplets coming from steam vents

- Iron may not be hot enough. Set thermostat to the 'max' position. Always allow iron sufficient time to heat up (thermostat light goes off) before activating the variable steam control.
- Auto-Off may be activated. Move iron or gently shake.
- Overuse of steam burst. Allow more time between each burst.
- Iron may have been overfilled. Turn iron off, empty water and follow instructions for filling.
- Steam performance may be low if iron requires seasoning. Use regular tap water for 1 or 2 tanks until steam performance improves.

## **IMPORTANT SERVICE INFORMATION**

In the event that your iron fails to operate properly or if your iron needs servicing

### **DO NOT RETURN IT TO THE STORE**

First check the troubleshooting guide on the back of this page and make sure that you have followed all the instructions in the operating manual. If your iron still does not operate properly, send your iron, postage prepaid, together with **a copy of your sales receipt to:**

Warranty Dept.  
**EURO-PRO** Operating LLC  
21 Lawrence Paquette Industrial Drive  
Champlain, N. Y. 12919  
Tel: (800) 798-7398

If the warranty period has expired, please send your iron postage pre-paid to the Service Department of *EURO-PRO Operating LLC* at the above address. You will be advised of the cost of repair before any servicing is done unless you enclose a note indicating that you would like us to proceed with the repairs and return the iron to you C.O.D.

**DO NOT FORGET TO ENCLOSE YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER AND COPY OF SALES RECEIPT.**

# ONE YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

**EURO-PRO Operating LLC** warrants this product to be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of one (1) year from the date of purchase. The liability of **EURO-PRO Operating LLC** is limited solely to the repair or replacement of the product at **EURO-PRO Operating LLC's** option. This warranty does not cover damage caused by misuse, negligence, use on improper current or voltage, use contrary to operating instructions or disassembly, repair or alteration by any person other than an authorized **EURO-PRO Operating LLC** service station.

Product repair or replacement, at our option, is your sole remedy. This warranty excludes all other legal and/or conventional warranties. The responsibility of **EURO-PRO Operating LLC**, if any, is limited to the specific obligations expressly assumed by it under the terms of the limited warranty. In no event is **EURO-PRO Operating LLC** liable for incidental or consequential damages of any nature whatsoever. Some States do not permit the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights which vary from state to state. If you have a claim under this warranty or if you require service

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**Please include a copy of your sales receipt, \$9.50 to cover the cost of return shipping & handling** and a letter explaining the nature of your difficulty. **Do not forget to enclose your name, address and telephone number.**

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## PRODUCT REGISTRATION CARD

Please complete and return within ten (10) days of purchase. The registration will enable us to contact you in the event a product defect is discovered. By returning this card you acknowledge to have read and understood the instructions for use, and warnings set forth in the accompanying instructions.

RETURN TO: **EURO-PRO OPERATING LLC**, 21 LAWRENCE PAQUETTE INDUSTRIAL DRIVE, CHAMPLAIN, N.Y. 12919  
IN CANADA: **EURO-PRO OPERATING LLC**, 4400 Bois Franc, St. Laurent, QUE., H4S 1A7

PURCHASER: .....

ADDRESS: .....

DATE OF PURCHASE: ..... MODEL: ..... SERIAL NO: .....

NAME AND ADDRESS OF STORE: .....