

Chafing Dish Instructions

- 1. Place chafing dish on a flat stable surface
- 2. Pour hot water into the water pan until it is about ¾" to 1½" of water
- Test the water level by lowering in the empty food pan insert and lifting it back out, if the water touches the bottom of the insert, then remove water until insert comes out dry – DO NOT USE CHAFER WITHOUT WATER
- 4. Insert the food pan(s)
- 5. Once food is set in the chafers, pry off lid of the sterno (while leaving the sterno in metal cup with lid on) and use a match or lighter to light. Place sterno cup under water pan
- 6. Adjust the burners using the small sterno holders with lids to achieve medium heat
- 7. Place lid or close lid on chafer to allow food to warm
- 8. Occasionally stir the food to make sure the bottom does not burn and ensure even warming
- 9. Check on the fuel level in the burners and water level in the chafer every 60 to 90 minutes

Typically, a sterno will burn 1½ to 2 hours, slightly faster if they are outside

TIPS

- 1. Block the wind from blowing out the burners on an outside chafing dish by covering three of the sides surrounding flames with a sheet of heavy-duty aluminum foil.
- 2. Sterno flames can sometimes be nearly invisible. Test for a lit flame by holding your hand a couple inches away and to the side of the burning area to feel for heat.
- 3. Always make sure the chafer has SUFFICIENT water to prevent burning

WARNINGS

- Do not leave an open flame unattended
- Do not use anything but sterno type fuel in the burner
- Never use chafers without water in the water pan
- Put unit onto a hot stove or open flame