THE PINSKE EDGE

#48132-38 THERMOFORMING OVEN

<u>To assemble oven:</u> There are four swivel wheels you will need to attach to the caster pads using the 5/16-18 Bolts and Flat Washers. This oven requires (2) 50 amp breakers and (2) 50 amp range receptacles. Voltage is 220 single phase. There are six heating elements and two doors for easy access.

When you receive the oven, it will have an oil residue on the inside. Set the oven to 300 degrees F to burn off the inner residue.

To turn the oven on, set the temperature control to the proper setting and set the time to the desired time. When the timer runs out, the oven will turn off. When the oven elements are heating, the red light will be illuminated. When the oven reaches the set temperature, the light will go off.

Each solid surface material bends differently - size, color and thickness have an effect. We recommend, on ½" material, that you set the temperature at 275 to 280 degrees Fahrenheit. Preheat the oven for 20 minutes prior to placing any material in the oven. As previously stated, material color and thickness will make the time for thermoforming vary. It is always best to test the various solid surface materials before working on the entire job. By testing, you will get a feel for the desired end effect. To check for the correct time, we suggest taking three pieces of the material to be thermoformed and cutting them in ½" x ½" x 24" pieces. Place all three pieces in the oven. After 15 minutes, take the first piece out and check to see how pliable it is. If you can tie a knot with the material and have no stress marks, you have reached the correct time. If the material breaks, then wait five additional minutes and try the procedure again. When a knot can be tied without breaking or any stress marks showing, you have reached the correct timing for your material. In most cases, 25 to 30 minutes should be sufficient time for the material to be in the oven. Always check the pieces to see how they are doing.

You must use a form for bending your material. The material must be clamped securely and evenly to your form. Leave material that has been placed on the form cool for approximately 3 to 4 hours.

Safety Note: The oven door is very hot to touch. Always use oven gloves when handling hot material.

Recommended Safety Equipment
Oven Gloves
Eye Protection
Heat Protective Vest

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