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coffee makers are quality options that offer barista-level coffee and an impressive range of features for an affordable price. Like all the best coffee makers, Bunn coffee machines may develop some issues after a couple of years of service. However, not all problems imply that you have to replace your coffee maker. Most Bunn coffee maker issues can be resolved without having to replace your coffee maker. This Bunn coffee maker troubleshooting guide will highlight common problems and solutions for your coffee maker. We will also highlight tips to ensure a prolonged service from your coffee maker. Cleaning your Bunn coffee maker is the surest route to ensuring the longevity of your coffee makers service. If ignored for long, your coffee maker could be clogged, limiting the brewing pressure. A decreased pressure then results in poor extraction of flavor and taste from your grinds, yielding poor-tasting cups of joe. Failure to stay ahead of your cleaning schedule also leads to the accumulation of mold in your coffee maker. This exposes you to various health hazards and together with limescale build-up, compromises the taste of your brew. A deliming spring tool is a great tool for dislodging coffee particles from your coffee makers system. The Bunn deliming tool is a long, flexible, compact spring that reaches all the sections of your tube. This helps you to manually dislodge accumulated deposits, ensuring a better result from each descaling cycle. When using a deliming tool, unmount the filter basket and remove the water spray head. Insert the deliming spring into the spray head tube. Push and pull the spring in a quick motion for at least seven rounds. Remove the spring. Assemble the machine. Run a descaling cycle to rid your coffee maker of the remaining calcium deposits. Note: We recommend that you start by running a descaling cycle to reduce the amount of lime build-up in your tubes. This will soften the deposits, making your work of dislodging stuck deposits easier. Descaling your Bunn coffee maker is a fairly easy task. This process can be approached using some vinegar and water. When using vinegar to descale a Bunn coffee maker: Turn your coffee maker off and unplug it from the power source. Refill your reservoir with a vinegar solution comprising 1-part vinegar and 2-parts water. Dont close the lid without mounting your carafe as this could result in water dripping from your tank. Let the water sit in your carafe for an hour to dissolve the calcium deposits in the reservoir. Disassemble the spray head and clean the brewing needles and spray head holes. Reassemble the spray head. Mount the carafe under the spout and close the reservoir lid. Reconnect your coffee maker to power. Allow your coffee maker to power up. Run for ten minutes, heating the brewing water. Run cycles of brew using descaling solution to dislodge calcium deposits. After youve spent all the water in the reservoir, run shots of freshwater to rid your system of vinegar. Note: Descaling your coffee maker on a monthly basis or a biweekly basis if you use your coffee maker regularly. Doing this helps you curb the build-up of limescale of calcium in your tubes, ensuring optimal extraction. Leaking, power malfunctions, and slow brewing are challenges faced by users of various sets of coffee makers. You thus dont have to fret every time your coffee maker misbehaves. Here, weve highlighted some common Bunn coffee maker issues and the methods to troubleshoot these issues. We will also help you determine the time when you should consult the Bunn repair center for assistance. Problem: If your coffee maker is not pumping water, you could be probably dealing with clogged tubes or a broken heating element. It could be that the water you are using to brew your coffee is hard and contains multiple impurities. This water may thus hasten the accumulation of calcium deposits, blocking the water supply to the showerhead. Alternatively, you could be facing a broken heating element owing to continued use over time. The heating element could have also experienced a short circuit due to contact with water droplets. Solution: If your coffee maker is not pumping water, start by unclogging the brewing tubes. For this, use your deliming spring tool to rid the pipes of the accumulated calcium deposits. Next, run a descaling cycle to rid your system of the particles you left behind after using your deliming tool. If this fails to resolve your problem, consult an expert for a professional diagnosis of your heating element. Note: Wring your cloth properly when cleaning your coffee makers exterior to prevent water droplets from seeping into the inner components. Also, place your coffee maker far from the sink to avoid damaging your machine with water droplets. Problem: Sometimes, you could notice that your coffee maker is on but face an issue with initiating a brew cycle. The first step for troubleshooting this issue is ensuring that your water reservoir is refilled. If this is the case, try giving your brewer ample time to heat up before initiating a brew cycle. It could also be that you have activated the brew lockout feature limiting the brewing ability of your coffee maker. Solution: The key to troubleshooting a Bunn coffee maker that will not brew is to test various plausible malfunctions. First, refill your water reservoir and ensure that there are no cracks in the tube. Cracks can be indicated by spillages often noticed around the coffee maker. Next, allow your coffee maker to sit for fifteen minutes after youve connected it to power. Also, check if your machine has a brew lockout feature and disengage the option before initiating a brew cycle. If these solutions fail, consider having an expert diagnosis to establish the reason behind the malfunction. Note: We recommend soft brewing water as this causes lesser calcium build-up, reducing the likelihood of damaged tubes. Problem: Waking up to a coffee maker that wont turn on tops the list of frustrations you could experience as an at-home barista. This could be caused either by a broken power cord or a broken heating element. Also, the issue could be that your wall socket has been damaged and is thus not passing energy to the coffee maker. Solution: Before throwing in the towel and searching for a replacement, you could start by testing another power plug. Alternatively, try a new wall socket to establish whether or not your socket is functional. If this fails, consult an expert for a full-scale diagnosis of the problem. Note: Avoid tinkering with your coffee maker components if you are familiar with its setup. Doing so could worsen your situation and void your warranty, incurring a hefty repair cost. Problem: You may experience an issue where your Bunn coffee maker yields cold cups of joe each time you draw a brew. Fortunately, various models of Bunn coffee makers provide error codes to guide you in pinpointing the malfunction. See also OXO Coffee Grinder Troubleshooting: 6 Common Problems & Fixes. Check your machines display and consult the Bunn coffee maker manual for the exact issue. Alternatively, you could be facing an issue either with the tank heater, the limit thermostat, the thermal fuses, or the tank heater switch. Solution: The first step to fixing a Bunn coffee maker that wont heat brewing water is to check the error code and Bunn manual. Next, consult your technician for an analysis of the compromised portion and possible solutions. Note: always allow your coffee maker twenty minutes after turning it on, allowing it to heat brewing water. This will ensure that all factors for brewing are optimal, yielding a flavorful cup of joe. Problem: The ideal cup of joe is dependent on the temperature of the brewing water and the size of the grinds. A weak brew could be pinned on the brewing grounds or the failure to reach the ideal temperature of the water. There could also be blockages in the tubes, slowing the flow of brewing water and losing brewing temperatures. It could be that your filter paper is draining water too fast, limiting the time for extraction. Solution: When troubleshooting a Bunn coffee maker for weak brews, start by running a descaling cycle and replacing your filter. If its your first-time brewing coffee, start by selecting a finer grind of dark roasted coffee. Consult an expert to check the heating element and adjust your filter to regulate the rate of brewing water. Note: be keen when selecting a filter paper and settle for one that does not absorb the essential oils from your brew. Problem: The release of steam from your coffee maker is a hint that you have fallen behind on your descaling/deliming process. This hinders the temperature sensing of your coffee maker, causing brewing water to be heated beyond the ideal brewing temperature. Solution: We recommend cleaning off lime build-up from the tank heater and tubes to allow the sensors to take correct readings. If deliming and descaling fail to fix your coffee maker, consult an expert for a detailed diagnosis. Note: maintain a regular brewing schedule to keep your coffee maker in optimal shape and prevent blockages in the system. Problem: Noises during brew are indicative of issues within your water supply system. It could also be that water is flowing in at high pressure or some of the direct line cables are sitting on the counter. If you are not using a direct-line coffee maker, it could be that the screws to your solenoid valves are loose. Alternatively, your coffee makers water tubes could be blocked with limescale build-up. These blockages cause water to run through your machine at high pressures thus producing an unpleasant sound. Solution: First, descale your coffee maker. If the issue persists, disassemble the coffee maker and ensure that all the solenoid valves are properly fixed. Note: when cleaning your coffee maker, start off by using the deliming spring. This will rid your water tubes of calcium accumulations, ensuring the proper flow of brewing water. Problem: If you have noticed that your tank is taking longer to refill or does not refill fully, check for two issues. First, check to ensure that the tubes bringing water to the tank are free of blockages. Next, inspect the solenoid valve and control board for damages to ensure that they are in optimal working conditions. 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