

# Cleaning Tips for Your Keurig Brewer

## *To Optimize Your Keurig Brewing Experience*

Like any kitchen appliance, Keurig brewers need basic maintenance to stay clean and function properly. The table below summarizes the recommended Daily / Weekly / Quarterly cleaning routines, and provides tips to ensure the best brewing experience.

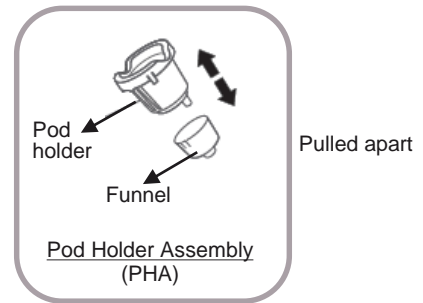
Frequency	Areas	Cleaning Method
<b>Daily *</b>	External Components, e.g., <i>Drip tray, Water reservoir &amp; lid, Waste bin if applicable;</i> <i>For K-Duo family: Carafe, Coffee ground basket.</i>	- Remove used pod from pod holder and discard - Run a Cleansing Brew (see instruction below) - Rinse clean external components
<b>Weekly</b>	Pod holder assembly (PHA)	Detach and rinse clean (see diagram below)
<b>Quarterly</b>	Internal components	Descale (visit <a href="http://support.Keurig.com">support.Keurig.com</a> for instructions)

\* Before cleaning, always make sure the brewer is unplugged and cooled down.  
\*\* If water reservoir has installed a water filter, replace the filter cartridge every two months or more often.

### Detach PHA for cleaning:



**Warning:** PHA has an Exit Needle inside. Be mindful about the sharp needles.



### Cleaning with a Cleansing Brew

A cleansing brew refers to running a brew without a pod. Cleansing brews can be conducted any time, such as to clear the potential flavor carry over when switching beverage types. Run a cleansing brew immediately after using pods with hot cocoa or milk ingredients to avoid the possibility of needles clogging. For brewers equipped with a carafe (i.e., K-Duo family), the cleansing brew is conducted by brewing a full carafe of water with no coffee grounds in the drip drawer.

### Remove Used Pod After Brew

Keurig recommends that used pods be removed from the pod holder once cooled. Removal will assist in maintaining a hygienic pod holder. If you find that a used pod has been left in the pod holder, we recommend running a cleansing brew. If a used pod has been left in for an extended period of time, we recommend that you descale your brewer.

### Cleaning with Keurig® Rinse Pods

Use Keurig® Rinse pods in place of a cleansing brew to enhance the cleaning effectiveness. This process will also clean components in the brew path such as gaskets, needles, and the pod holder assembly.

### Infrequent Usage & Storage

If the brewer is not used daily, run 3-4 cleansing brews before the first serving. If the brewer will be unused for an extended period of time (e.g., over a month), we recommend a full descale procedure be done before & after storage to maximize the cleaning effectiveness.