

# [Attachment Title]: The Ultimate Owner's Cheat Sheet for the LG LFXS26973S

## Introduction:

Thank you for reading our review! This exclusive guide is designed for new owners to help you get the absolute most out of your LG LFXS26973S refrigerator from day one. Consider this your quick-start guide to mastering every feature and ensuring your appliance runs perfectly for years to come.

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## Section 1: Initial Setup & Performance Optimization

- **The First 24 Hours are Critical:** After installation, let the refrigerator run for at least 24 hours *before* loading it with a large amount of groceries. This allows the system to stabilize at its optimal cooling temperature.
  - **Recommended Temperature Settings:** For best results and food safety, set the refrigerator compartment to **37°F (3°C)** and the freezer to **0°F (-18°C)**.
  - **Proper Leveling is Not Optional:** Ensure the installers have perfectly leveled the unit. The front should be slightly higher than the back. This allows the doors to swing shut gently on their own and ensures a tight seal, which is critical for energy efficiency.
  - **First Ice Batches:** Discard the first full bin of ice from the in-door ice maker and the first two batches of Craft Ice. This flushes out any impurities from the new water line.
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## Section 2: Mastering Your LG's Key Features

- **Craft Ice™ Pro Tips:**
  - **For the Clearest Ice:** The clarity of your Craft Ice depends on your water quality. If your spheres are cloudy, consider using water from a reverse osmosis system or a water filter pitcher to fill a small container connected to the fridge line (an advanced user project) or simply accept that mineral content will cause some cloudiness.
  - **Stockpiling for Parties:** Remember, production is slow. Start saving the spheres in a separate freezer bag a week before you plan to host an event.
  - **3 vs. 6 Spheres:** Use the LG ThinQ® app to switch between producing 3 spheres (the default, slightly higher quality) and 6 spheres (faster production).
- **Door-in-Door® Strategy:**
  - This section is best for items with high turnover that don't require extremely stable

temperatures.

- **Ideal Items:** Beverages (soda, juice, water), condiments (ketchup, mustard), butter, and kids' snacks.
  - **Avoid Storing:** Highly perishable items like milk or raw meat in this section. Keep those in the main, colder compartment.
  - **Organizing the Freezer Drawer (The "Chaotic Zone" Solution):**
    - This drawer's biggest weakness is its depth. The solution is compartmentalization.
    - **Buy Freezer Bins:** Invest in a few stackable, clear plastic freezer bins. Use them to separate items: one for meats, one for vegetables, one for pre-made meals, etc.
    - **Apply the "First In, First Out" (FIFO) Rule:** When you buy new frozen goods, place them at the back of the bin and slide the older items to the front. This prevents items from getting lost and expiring.
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## Section 3: Long-Term Maintenance & Care Schedule

- **Every 6 Months:**
    - **Replace the Water Filter (LG LT1000P):** The indicator light will turn on, but setting a calendar reminder is wise. A fresh filter ensures clean water and ice.
    - **Replace the Fresh Air Filter (LG LT120F):** This small filter, located at the back of the refrigerator's interior, absorbs odors and keeps food tasting fresh.
  - **Every 12 Months:**
    - **Clean the Condenser Coils:** This is the #1 thing you can do for longevity and efficiency. Carefully pull the fridge away from the wall, unplug it, and use a vacuum with a brush attachment to gently clean all dust and pet hair from the coils on the back.
    - **Wash Door Gaskets/Seals:** Use warm, soapy water to wipe down the rubber door seals. This removes grime and ensures they maintain a tight, energy-saving seal.
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## Section 4: Unlocking the LG ThinQ® App

Don't ignore the app—it has genuinely useful features beyond the initial setup.

- **Remote Temperature Control:** Adjust your fridge and freezer temps from your phone. Perfect for when you're on your way home with a car full of groceries and want to pre-chill the unit.
- **"Ice Plus" Activation:** This feature supercharges both ice makers for a 24-hour period, maximizing ice production before a party.
- **Craft Ice Control:** Switch between the 3-sphere and 6-sphere settings.

- **Smart Diagnosis™:** If you ever have an issue, the app can help you diagnose the problem by analyzing the signals from your refrigerator, potentially saving you a service call.
  - **Door Open Alerts:** Get a notification on your phone if the refrigerator door has been left open, saving energy and food.
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## Section 5: Quick Troubleshooting Guide

- **Problem: My Craft Ice isn't forming/dispensing.**
  - **Solution:** Check that the ice maker is turned ON. There is a switch on the unit itself inside the freezer. Ensure the bin is pushed all the way back and properly seated.
- **Problem: The refrigerator seems noisy.**
  - **Solution:** Most noises are normal parts of the cooling cycle. A "gurgling" or "hissing" is the refrigerant moving. A "clicking" is the thermostat cycling. The only noise to be concerned about is a loud, constant buzzing or grinding. First, ensure the unit is level.
- **Problem: The in-door ice maker is slow.**
  - **Solution:** Check that the freezer temperature is set to 0°F or below. Ensure the water line isn't kinked behind the unit. Use the "Ice Plus" feature for a temporary boost.