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COSORI CAF-DC601-WJP

1) Choose the Right Panko

生パン粉 (Fresh / Soft)

Best for: Pork cutlets, chicken breast/thigh, thick cod, tonkatsu-style items.

Why: Large flakes create maximum crunch and deep-fry-style texture.

Air Fryer Tip: Toss crumbs with 1 tsp oil before coating or spray lightly after coating. Do not use liner.



乾燥パン粉 (Dried)

Best for: Shrimp, scallops, thin white fish, tofu, vegetable fritters.

Why: Finer crumb browns more evenly and adheres better to delicate foods.

Air Fryer Tip: Spray slightly more than fresh panko. Flip gently.



細目パン粉 (Fine)

Best for: Meatballs, binding, thin coatings, vegetable crusts.

Not ideal for schnitzel-style dishes.



2) Standard Breading System

1. Light salt and pepper.
2. Flour (thin coat).
3. Egg or milk dip.
4. Panko (press firmly).
5. Rest 5–7 minutes before cooking.

3) Oil Strategy

Fresh panko: Light spray.

Dried panko: Moderate spray.

Do not drench.

For vegetables: Mix crumbs with 1 tsp oil before coating.

4) Temperature & Timing Guide

Thin fish (1 cm): 190°C | 7–8 min | Flip.

Chicken (1.5 cm): 190°C | 9–11 min | Flip.

Pork (2 cm): 190°C | 10–12 min | Flip.

Shrimp: 180°C | 6–7 min.

Tofu slabs: 190°C | 12–14 min | Flip.

Internal Targets:

Fish: 60–63°C

Chicken: 70–72°C

Pork: 63–65°C (rest to 68°C)

5) When NOT to Use a Liner

Do NOT use liner for cutlets, fries, breaded fish.

Use liner for sticky glazes or cheese-heavy items.

6) Crisp Boosters

Light cornstarch dust before flour.

Add 1 tsp cornstarch to panko.

Add 1/2 tsp baking powder to crumbs (sparingly).

7) Common Problems & Fixes

Pale crust: Not enough oil spray or temperature too low.

Bottom soggy: Used liner or overcrowded basket.

Crust falling off: Did not rest before cooking or protein too wet.

8) Default Settings

Preheat **190°C**.

Cook 8–12 minutes depending on thickness.

Flip halfway.

Light oil spray.

No liner for crisping.

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Air Fryer Breaded Foods COSORI CAF-DC601-WJP

Purpose of Resting

- Allows flour and egg layers to hydrate and bond.
- Improves crust adhesion.
- Reduces separation and patchy browning.

Quick Rest (5–10 Minutes | Room Temperature)

Best for:

- Thin white fish (tara, flounder)
- Shrimp
- Delicate seafood

Why:

- Sets crust without increasing surface moisture.
- Ideal when using fresh panko (生パン粉).



Moderate Refrigerated Rest (30–60 Minutes | Uncovered)

Best for:

- Pork cutlets (tonkatsu style)
- Chicken breast or thigh cutlets
- Thick cod fillets
- Breaded tofu slabs

Why:

- Maximum crust stability.
- Cleaner flipping in air fryer.
- Better edge definition.

Important:

- Place on rack, not flat plate.
- Leave uncovered to avoid condensation.

Extended Refrigerated Rest (1–3 Hours)

Use when:

- Preparing ahead for dinner.
- Working with thicker proteins.

Caution for fish:

- Fish releases moisture when chilled.
- Before cooking, lightly blot surface if needed.
- Light oil spray before air frying.

When NOT to Refrigerate

- Very thin fish fillets.
- Fresh panko coating that feels damp.
- High-moisture seafood.

Advanced Technique (Professional Level)

- Dredge → Light oil mist → Rest 30 minutes refrigerated (uncovered).
- Produces extremely stable crust with improved browning.

Default Rules

Fish: 5–10 minute room rest.

Pork/Chicken: 30–60 minute uncovered refrigerator rest.

Always avoid covering tightly (prevents condensation).