There are two ways to open your kiln: 1) Raise the lid only, or 2) raise the kiln body and lid together.

**Opening the Lid**

Lift the lid handle. The upper latch on the side of the lid will hang straight down, permitting the lid to open.

**WARNING:** Do not release the lower latch when you raise the lid. The lower latch must remain engaged, because it secures the kiln body to the kiln bottom. This is to prevent the kiln from toppling over while the lid is raised.

**Opening the Kiln Body**

Pull the lower latch forward. This will release the safety latch, allowing the kiln body to separate from the kiln bottom.

As you raise the kiln, gravity will cause the upper latch to engage the latch pin. This will prevent the lid from separating from the kiln body.

Each time you raise the lid, check the upper latch to make sure it has engaged the latch pin as shown in the photo below.

**WARNING:** When raising the kiln body, the lid must remain closed. Allowing the lid to lift from the body while the body is raised will cause the kiln to topple over!