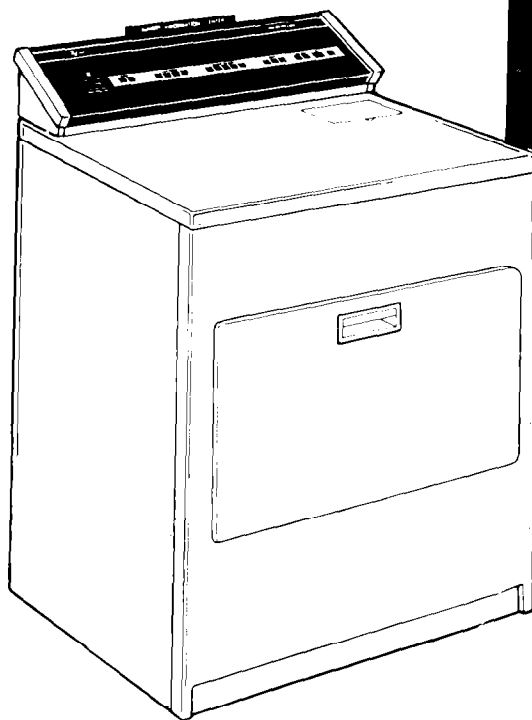


use & care guide



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AUTOMATIC DRYERS

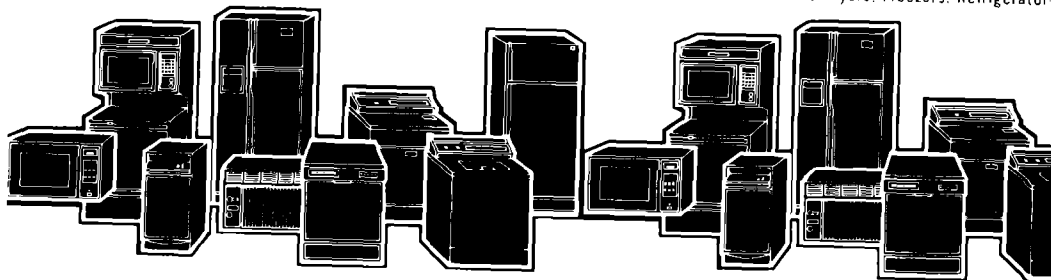
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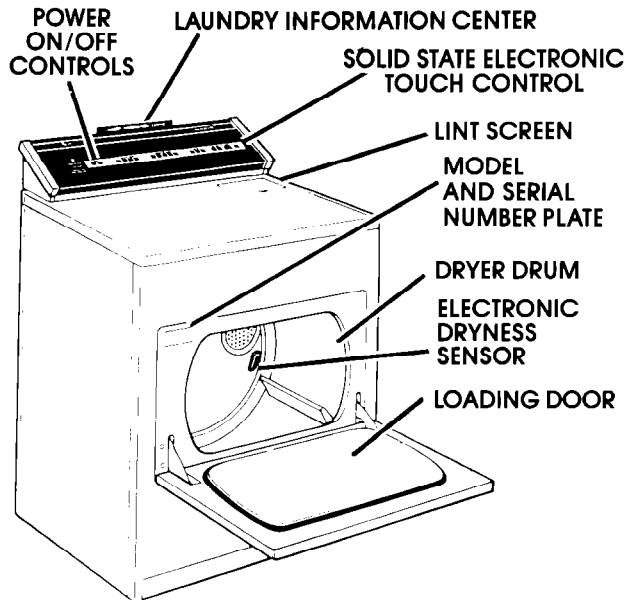
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Electronic Touch Control**

Microwave Ovens, Trash Compactors, Room Air Conditioners, Dehumidifiers, Automatic Washers, Clothes Dryers, Freezers, Refrigerator, F



Parts and features



Remove the Consumer Buy Guide label before using your dryer. It will be easier to remove.

Wipe out the dryer drum with a damp cloth to remove dust from storing or shipping.

Copy your Model and Serial Numbers here

When you need service or call with a question, have this information ready:

- 1. Complete** Model and Serial Numbers (from the plate located as shown).
- 2.** Purchase date from sales slip.

Copy this information in these spaces. Keep this book in the Laundry Information Center with your "Dryer Guide," sales slip and warranty.

Please complete and mail the Owner Registration Card furnished with this product.

Model Number

Serial Number

Purchase Date

Service Company
Telephone Number

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Important safety instructions



WARNING: To reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury to persons when using your dryer, follow basic precautions, including the following:

Read these laundry instructions carefully for important use and safety information before using your dryer.

NEVER dry items cleaned, washed, soaked in or spotted with wax, paint, gasoline, or flammable fluids in the dryer. The fumes can create a **FIRE HAZARD** or **EXPLOSION**. **ALWAYS** hand launder and air dry fabrics containing these materials.

NEVER allow children to operate, play with, or crawl inside the dryer. Close supervision of children is necessary when the dryer is used near children.

When discarding an old dryer, **ALWAYS** remove the door to prevent accidental entrapment.

DO NOT reach into a dryer if the drum is moving.

DO NOT install or store dryer where it will be exposed to the weather.

DO NOT tamper with the controls.

Dryer must be electrically grounded. See the "Installation Instructions."

You are personally responsible for making sure that your dryer is installed, repaired and parts replaced by a qualified person.

Use only fabric softeners specifically labeled as not being harmful to the dryer. **FIRE HAZARD** and **DAMAGE** to materials can result from:

- drying rubber, rubber-like and heat sensitive materials with heat.
- allowing lint build-up inside the dryer or exhaust system – cleaning should be done periodically by a qualified person.

Clean lint screen before or after each load.

DO NOT let dust, lint, paper, rags, chemicals, etc. pile up around or under the dryer.

• **SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS** •

Additional Safety Instructions and Your Responsibilities

NEVER operate the dryer if...

- it is not working right (i.e. noisy, too hot).
- it is damaged.
- parts are missing (i.e. door latch).
- all panels are not in place.
- the lint screen is loose, damaged or missing.

FOR YOUR SAFETY

If you smell gas:

1. Open windows.
2. Don't touch electrical switches.
3. Extinguish any open flame.
4. Immediately call your gas supplier.

FOR YOUR SAFETY

Do not store or use gasoline or other flammable vapors and liquids in the vicinity of this or any other appliance.

ALWAYS shut off the gas valve before leaving on vacation.

ALWAYS unplug the power supply cord or turn off electrical power before attempting to service the dryer. Shut off **GAS VALVE** if yours is a gas dryer.

You are personally responsible for making sure that your dryer...

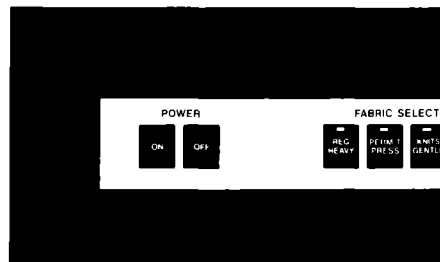
- is properly maintained.
- is properly installed and leveled in a well ventilated room* on a floor that can support the weight.
- is located in an area where the temperature is above 45°F (7.2°C).
- is connected to the proper outlet and electrical supply.*
- is properly connected to fuel and exhaust systems.*
- is not installed against drapes or curtains.*
- is used only for jobs normally expected of home clothes dryers.
- is not used by children or anyone unable to operate it properly.

*See "Installation Instructions" for complete information.

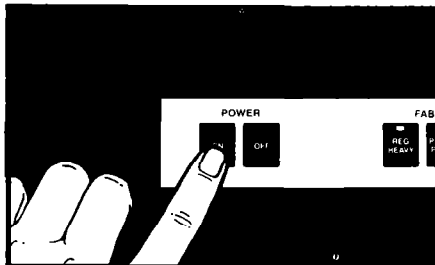
Operating instructions

Selecting a Cycle and Starting Your Dryer

Before starting your dryer, be sure laundry is sorted and loaded properly (see your "Dryer Guide"). **Be sure the door is tightly closed.**



1. Touch POWER "ON"

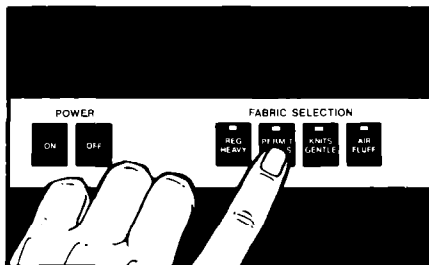


- Touch the POWER "ON" pad. The dryer will power up, but the drum will not start turning. The Fabric Selection lights will scan and the Finish Guard and Cycle Signal lights will come on.
- The dryer will continue to scan the Fabric Selection lights until a selection has been made. **If a selection has not been made within 15 minutes, the dryer will automatically shut off.**

Proper and Improper Selections

- If a selection **has not** been accepted, the indicator light will not stay on and 3 beeps will sound.
- If a selection **has** been accepted, the indicator light will stay on and 1 beep will sound.

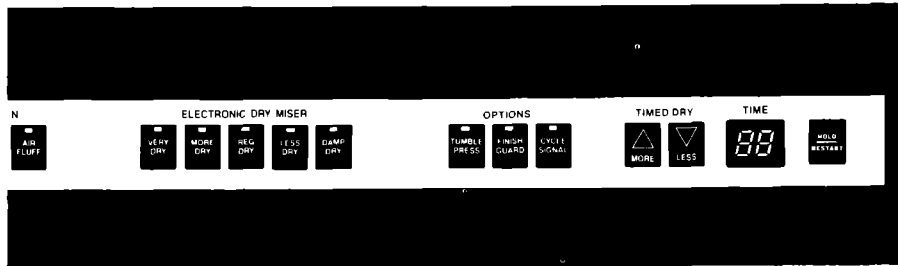
2. Touch a FABRIC SELECTION



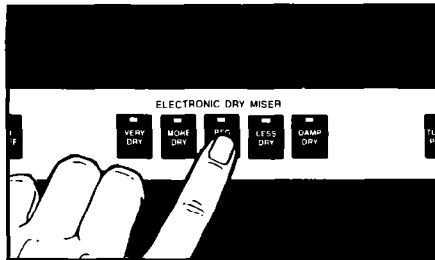
- Touch a FABRIC SELECTION that matches the load type you want to dry. The light will stay on in the selection you choose. See page 7 for suggested Fabric Selections.
- If FINISH GUARD® and/or CYCLE SIGNAL options are not wanted, touch the desired pad(s) to cancel the options. The lights will go off.

NOTE: The AIR FLUFF selection automatically provides 20 minutes of timed drying without heat. If more or less time is wanted, touch the corresponding TIMED DRY pad. An Electronic DRY-MISER® selection cannot be used with AIR FLUFF.



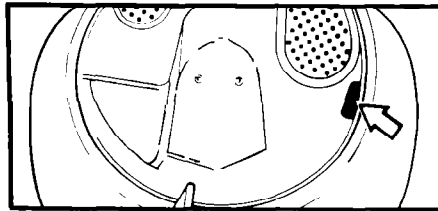


3. Touch an Electronic DRY-MISER® Control or TIMED DRY Selection.



Electronic DRY-MISER® Control

- Touch the Electronic DRY-MISER Control that describes the dryness you want for the load.



A sensor on the back of the dryer drum senses the moisture in the load. When the selected dryness has been reached, the dryer automatically shuts off. **If dryness is not what you expected, use the following as a guide:**

- For the first few loads, use REG DRY. When finished, check the load for desired dryness.
- If the load is not dry enough, use MORE DRY or VERY DRY the next time.
- If the load is too dry, use LESS DRY the next time.
- If you plan to iron the clothes after drying, use DAMP DRY.

TIME



The Electronic DRY-MISER Controls are automatic. When selecting an Electronic DRY-MISER Control, the Time Display will show "AU." After a period of tumbling, the dryer will be able to calculate the remaining time needed to dry the load. The time on the display will count down until the cycle ends.

TIMED DRY



- Touch a TIMED DRY selection for any load you want to dry by time. The Time Display will automatically show 30 minutes.
- If more time is wanted, touch ▲ MORE up to 99 minutes.
- If less time is wanted, touch ▼ LESS.

The TIMED DRY selection is good for very small loads or large bulky items.

IMPORTANT: If the load you have finished drying is not dry enough...

1. Touch **POWER "OFF,"** then touch **POWER "ON."**
2. Touch a **FABRIC SELECTION** for the load type.
3. Set **TIMED DRY FOR 20 minutes.**

Remember to select a different dryness setting for the next similar load.

Options



TUMBLE PRESS® Control



This setting is useful for removing wrinkles from items which have been packed in suit-

cases or closets. Touching the TUMBLE PRESS Control automatically gives you 15 minutes of tumbling at the medium fabric temperature and 5 more minutes of cool-down without heat. The Time Display will automatically show 20 minutes.

For best results, TUMBLE PRESS only a few items at a time. Put them on hangers or fold them as soon as the dryer stops.

FINISH GUARD® Control



FINISH GUARD takes over automatically when the dry cycle is completed.

The FINISH GUARD Control tumbles the load, without heat, every 5 minutes to prevent wrinkles that set in when the load remains in the dryer. It continues up to 2½ hours or until the door is opened to remove the clothes.

- The FINISH GUARD light will stay on as long as the dryer is running. Remember that **FINISH GUARD is selected automatically every time you use the dryer.**
- If the door is opened or FINISH GUARD is cancelled during the FINISH GUARD cycle, the dryer will shut off.

To cancel FINISH GUARD:

- Touch FINISH GUARD Control any time during the cycle. The light will go off showing that the option has been cancelled.

CYCLE SIGNAL Control



The dryer will automatically beep 5 times at the end of a cycle. The dryer will also beep every 5 minutes when tumbling in FINISH GUARD.

These signals tell you the dryer cycle is finished and the load can be removed.

- The light will stay on when the Cycle Signal is ON.
- **The signal loudness is not adjustable.**

To cancel CYCLE SIGNAL:

- **Touch CYCLE SIGNAL Control any time during the cycle. The light will go off showing that the option has been cancelled.**

The signal is helpful when drying permanent press, synthetics and other items that should be taken out as soon as the dryer stops.

HOLD/RESTART Control




The HOLD/RESTART Control allows you to stop the dryer, to check the load, clean the lint screen, or to provide additional cycle selection time.

1. Touch HOLD/RESTART.
2. The dryer will remember where it was in the cycle for up to 15 minutes.
3. Touch HOLD/RESTART to restart the dryer.

If the dryer is not restarted within 15 minutes, it will automatically shut off.

This chart suggests fabric loads and fabric selections.

TYPE OF LOAD	SUGGESTED FABRIC SELECTION
COTTON – LINENS	
EXTRA HEAVY – Bedspreads, mattress pads, quilts. HEAVYWEIGHT FABRICS – Towels, jeans, corduroys, work clothes.	REG HEAVY
MEDIUMWEIGHT COTTONS – Sheets, pillowcases, cotton underwear, diapers.	
LIGHTWEIGHT COTTONS – Batistes, organdies, lingerie.	
PERMANENT PRESS, SYNTHETICS AND BLENDS	
HEAVYWEIGHT FABRICS – Work clothes, jackets, raincoats.	PERM'T PRESS
MEDIUMWEIGHT FABRICS – Shirts, play clothes, sheets, slacks.	
LIGHTWEIGHT FABRICS – Lingerie, blouses, dresses.	
KNITS	
HEAVYWEIGHT – Cottons, rayons, blends, T-shirts, slacks, shirts.	KNITS GENTLE
LIGHTWEIGHT – Synthetics (polyester, acrylic, etc.) and blends, lingerie, blouses, lace, etc.	
LIGHTWEIGHT AND DELICATE FABRICS	
Sheer curtains (2 or 3 panels), gauze, lace, etc.	KNITS GENTLE
RUBBER, PLASTIC, HEAT-SENSITIVE FABRICS	
FOAM RUBBER – Pillows, bras, stuffed toys.	AIR FLUFF
PLASTIC – Shower curtains, tablecloths.	
RUBBER-BACKED RUGS, OLEFIN, POLYPROPYLENE, SHEER NYLON.	
 WARNING: Drying these and other heat-sensitive materials with heat can damage them or be a FIRE HAZARD.	

Gentle Heat

The dryer automatically reduces the heat settings in REG HEAVY and PERM'T PRESS cycles. During the last few minutes of each of these cycles the dryer temperature **immediately** reduces to a lower heat setting. **COOL DOWN takes over automatically after GENTLE HEAT is finished.** This helps prevent overdrying.

Cool down times

In all cycles, the heat shuts off before the dryer stops tumbling. This cool down time helps:

- keep wrinkles from setting in.
- make handling the hot load items easier.

Electronic DRY-MISER[®] Control

An electronic sensor determines the amount of moisture in the clothes and automatically shuts off when the proper dryness is reached.

Drying tips

Drying times

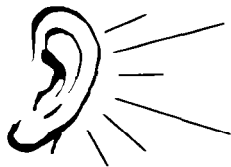


Drying times will vary depending on:

- amount of moisture in the clothes.
- type and weight of the fabric.
- size of the load.
- room temperature around the dryer.
- temperature of the wash rinse water.
- amount of lint in the lint screen.
- dryer temperature selection.

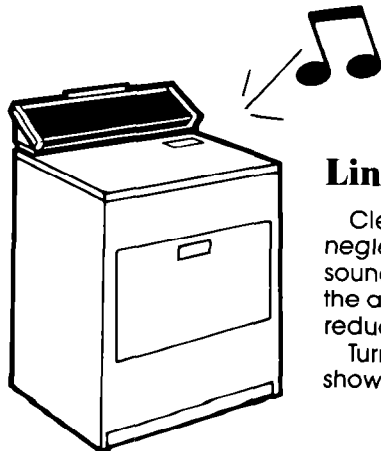
See your "Dryer Guide" for more information.

End-of-cycle signal



The dryer will beep 8 times to let you know when the cycle is finished. It will also beep after each FINISH GUARD tumbling. The signal can be turned off, but the volume is not adjustable.

The signal is helpful when you are drying permanent press, synthetics and other items that should be taken out as soon as the dryer stops.

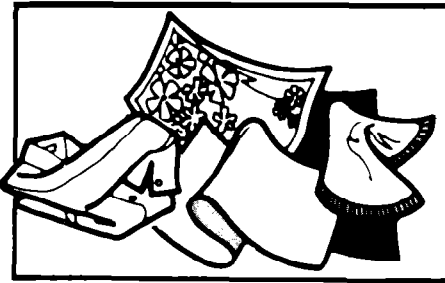


Lint signal

Clean lint screen **before each load**. If you neglect to clean your lint screen, the signal will sound. The (whistle tone) signal lets you know the air flow is being restricted. Restricted air flow reduces drying efficiency.

Turn off the dryer and clean the lint screen as shown on page 10.

Mixed loads



When drying a load with different kinds and weights of fabrics, use the setting suggested for the lightest fabrics.

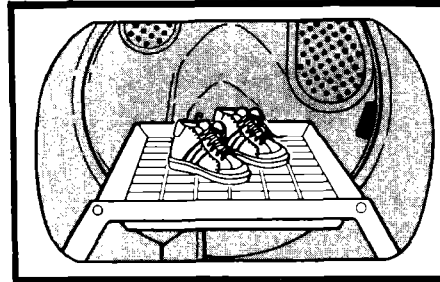
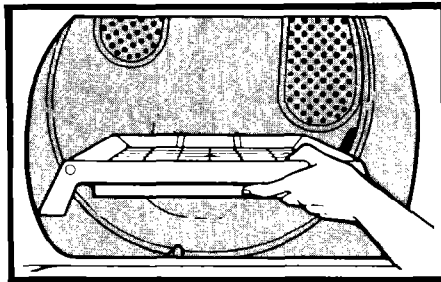
Overdrying can cause shrinkage, static cling and damage to some fabrics.

To help reduce wrinkling, take the load from the dryer as soon as tumbling stops. This is very important for permanent press, knits and synthetic fabrics.

Using the drying rack

The drying rack lets you dry items that you may not want to tumble; for example, sneakers, stuffed toys, knitted wool, etc.

The rack does not move, but the drum turns. **Make sure nothing hangs over the edges of the rack.**




1. Fit rear legs of the rack into indentations in back wall of dryer.
2. Lower the front so legs rest on dryer opening.
3. Put wet items on top rack. **Leave space between them** so air can reach all surfaces.
4. Close the door; touch a **TIMED DRY** Control selection.

Control selection

Drying time will depend on how much moisture the items hold. The following chart suggests temperature settings for different kinds of items that might best be rack dried.

To rack dry...	USE FABRIC SELECTION
Wool sweaters (Block to shape and lay flat on the rack.)	KNITS GENTLE
Stuffed toys or pillows (Cotton or polyester fiber filled.)	PERM'T PRESS
Stuffed toys or pillows* (Foam rubber filled)	AIR FLUFF
Sneakers or canvas shoes*	AIR FLUFF

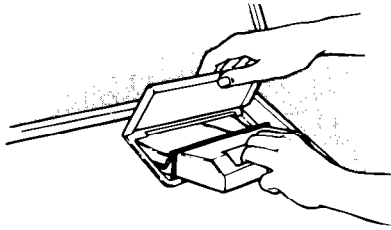


***WARNING: Drying with heat may damage the foam rubber and will be a FIRE HAZARD.**

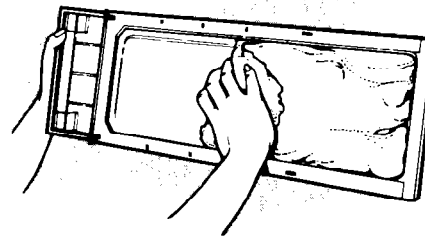
Be sure to take the rack out for normal tumble drying.

Lint screen

Clean the lint screen before each load. A screen blocked by lint can increase drying time and may be a FIRE HAZARD.



Open the lid and pull the lint screen straight out.



ROLL the lint off the screen with your fingers.

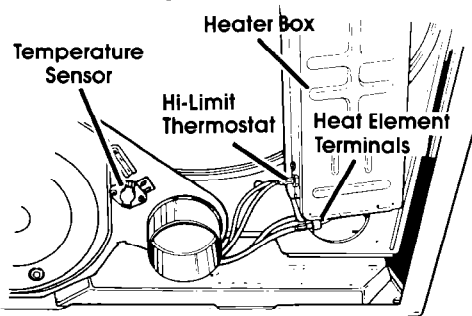
DO NOT rinse or wash the screen. Push the screen firmly back into place.



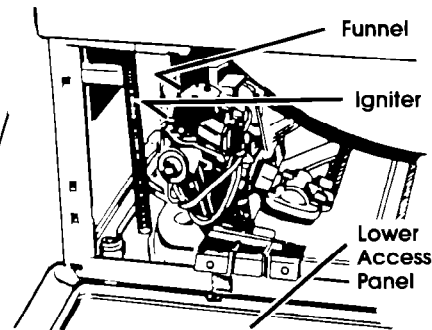
WARNING: DO NOT run the dryer with the lint screen loose, damaged, blocked or missing. Doing so can cause overheating, damage fabrics and be a **FIRE HAZARD**.

Lint removal

Lint can gather inside the dryer and create a **FIRE HAZARD**. This lint should be removed at least every 2 to 3 years, or more often, depending on dryer usage.



ELECTRIC DRYERS



GAS DRYERS

Cleaning should be done only by a qualified person.



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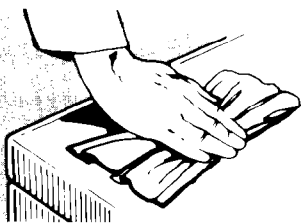
- Avoid electrical shock hazard – unplug power supply cord or turn off electrical power.
- Avoid injury or damage – do not put hands inside cabinet.
- Make sure dryer is cool.

1. Remove back panel (electric) or lower access panel (gas).
2. Avoid damaging wires, thermostats, funnel or igniter.
3. Remove lint from shaded area – see art – with a soft brush or vacuum cleaner.
4. Replace panel; reconnect and re-level dryer.

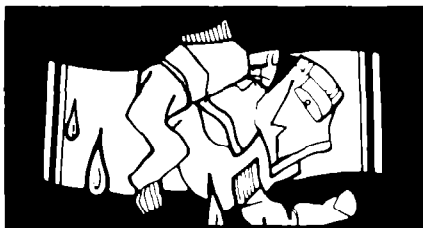
Caring for your dryer



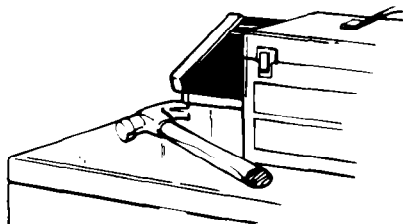
Remove loose and sharp objects from pockets and cuffs before drying – pins, buckles, etc. **Close metal zippers.**



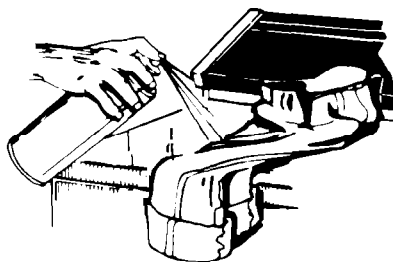
Wipe off all spills with a damp, soft cloth. Spills allowed to remain may dull or damage the finish.



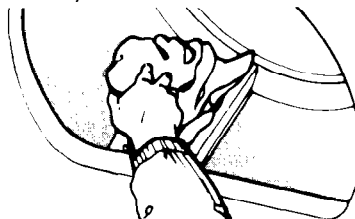
Never leave wet or damp laundry in your dryer.



Sharp or heavy objects should never be put on or in the dryer. Check pockets for bolts, nuts etc.



Some pretreatment products can damage dials, consoles and finish. Do not use these products on or near your dryer.



Cleaning dryer interior



WARNING: Before cleaning interior, unplug power supply cord or, turn off electrical power to avoid electrical shock hazard.

Garments which contain unstable dyes, such as denim blue jeans or brightly colored cotton items, may discolor the dryer interior. If the interior is discolored, clean with one of the following methods to avoid staining later load items.

Powdered laundry detergent and very warm water

Make a paste with detergent and very warm water. Apply paste to a soft cloth and scrub area until all excess dye is removed. Wipe thoroughly with a damp cloth.

Tumble a load of rags. **–OR–**

Liquid spray household cleaner

Spray on stained area. Rub with a cloth until all excess dye is removed. Tumble a load of rags.

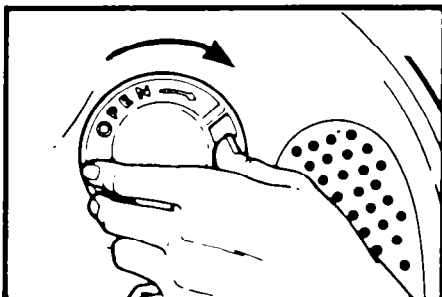
Vacation care

- Unplug power cord or turn off electrical power.
- For gas dryers, close gas valve.
- Clean lint screen.

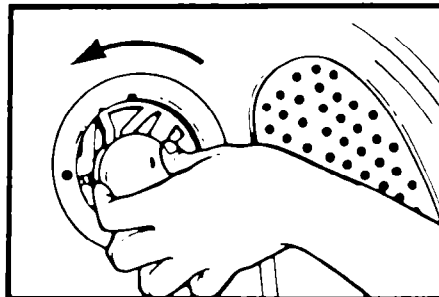
Changing the drum light



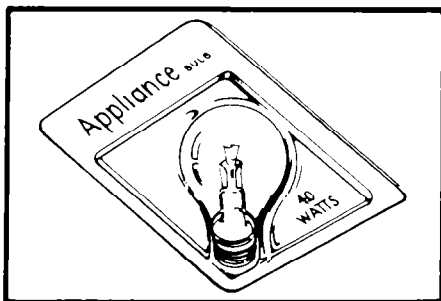
WARNING: Unplug the dryer to avoid possible electric shock.



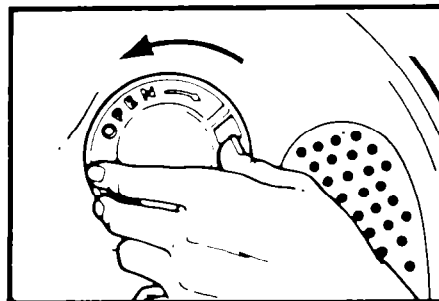
1. Open the dryer door and remove light bulb cover by turning it clockwise.



2. Remove the light bulb by turning it counterclockwise.



3. Replace the bulb only with a **40-watt appliance bulb** from most hardware, grocery or variety stores.



4. Replace the light bulb cover and lock it in place by turning counterclockwise.

CAUTION: The bulb cover must be securely in place during dryer operation to prevent overheating and possible damage to fabrics. Operating the dryer with the bulb cover removed can cause the dryer to fail or create a FIRE HAZARD.

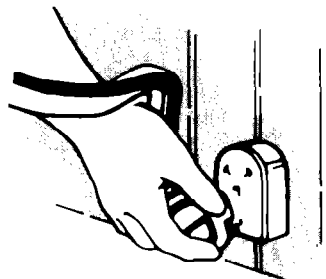
If you need service or assistance, we suggest you follow these five steps:

1. Before calling for assistance...

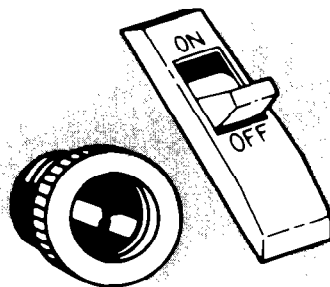


Performance problems often result from little things you can find and fix yourself without tools of any kind.

IF YOUR DRYER DOES NOT RUN:



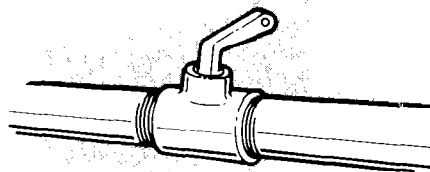
- Is the power supply cord plugged into a live circuit with the proper voltage?
- Is the door closed tightly?
- Did you touch the POWER "ON" Pad?
- Did you touch a FABRIC SELECTION?



- Have you checked your home's main fuses or circuit breaker box?

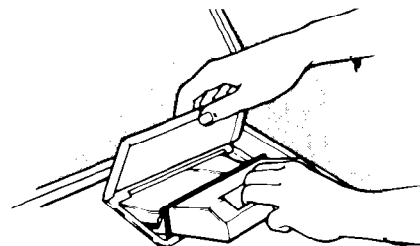
IF YOUR DRYER DOES NOT HEAT:

- The AIR setting is without heat.
- The last minutes of heat settings are without heat.



- Is gas turned on? If not, touch POWER "OFF" Pad. Turn on gas. Wait 5 minutes. Reset controls to start.
- An electric dryer uses a circuit breaker or 2 fuses. If one fuse is blown, the dryer may run, but not heat.

IF DRYING TIME SEEMS LONG:



- Is the lint screen clean? See page 10 of this book for cleaning instructions.
- See page 8 of this book and your "Dryer Guide."

time



time



NOTE: If the Time Display shows "E1" or "E2," call your local Tech-Care® Service Company for service.

2. If you need assistance*...

Call Whirlpool COOL-LINE® service assistance telephone number. Dial free from anywhere in the U.S.:
1-800-253-1301

and talk with one of our trained Consultants. The Consultant can instruct you in how to obtain satisfactory operation from your appliance or, if service is necessary, recommend a qualified service company in your area.

3. If you need service*...



Whirlpool has a nationwide network of franchised TECH-CARE® Service Companies. TECH-CARE service technicians are trained to fulfill the product warranty and provide after-warranty service, anywhere in the United States. To locate TECH-CARE service in your area, call our COOL-LINE service assistance telephone number (see Step 2) or look in your telephone directory Yellow Pages under:

APPLIANCES - HOUSEHOLD -
MAJOR - SERVICE & REPAIR

WHIRLPOOL APPLIANCES
FRANCHISED TECH-CARE SERVICE

SERVICE COMPANIES
XYZ SERVICE CO
123 MAPLE

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ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES -
MAJOR - REPAIRING & PARTS

OR

WHIRLPOOL APPLIANCES
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OR

WASHING MACHINES, DRYERS
& IRONERS - SERVING

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FRANCHISED TECH-CARE SERVICE

SERVICE COMPANIES
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4. If you have a problem*...

Call our COOL-LINE service assistance telephone number (see Step 2) and talk with one of our Consultants, or if you prefer, write to:

Mr. Robert Stanley
Division Vice President
Whirlpool Corporation
2000 US-63
Benton Harbor, MI 49022

5. If you need FSP® replacement parts*...

FSP is a registered trademark of Whirlpool Corporation for quality parts. Look for this symbol of quality whenever you need a replacement part for your Whirlpool appliance. FSP replacement parts will fit right and work right, because they are made to the same exacting specifications used to build every new Whirlpool appliance.

*If you must call or write, please provide: model number, serial number, date of purchase, and a complete description of the problem. This information is needed in order to better respond to your request for assistance.

WHIRLPOOL® AUTOMATIC DRYER WARRANTY

DR002

LENGTH OF WARRANTY	WHIRLPOOL WILL PAY FOR
FULL ONE-YEAR WARRANTY From Date of Purchase	FSP® replacement parts and repair labor to correct defects in materials or workmanship. Service must be provided by a franchised TECH-CARE® service company.
LIMITED FIVE-YEAR WARRANTY From Date of Purchase	FSP replacement parts for electronic control system if defective in materials or workmanship.
WHIRLPOOL WILL NOT PAY FOR	
<p>A. Service calls to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Correct the installation of the dryer. 2. Instruct you how to use the dryer. 3. Replace house fuses or correct house wiring or plumbing. 4. Replace light bulbs. <p>B. Repairs when dryer is used in other than normal, single-family household use.</p> <p>C. Pick up and delivery. This product is designed to be repaired in the home.</p> <p>D. Damage to dryer caused by accident, misuse, fire, flood, acts of God or use of products not approved by Whirlpool.</p> <p>E. Any labor costs during limited warranty.</p>	

WHIRLPOOL CORPORATION SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages so this limitation or exclusion may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

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