# use&care guide

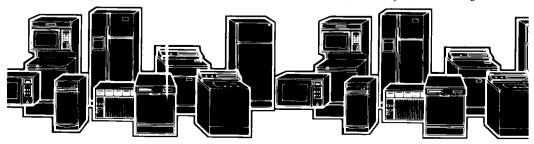


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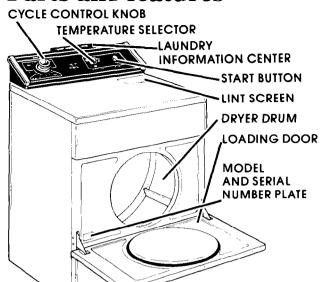
# **AUTOMATIC** DRYER

Electric Model LE5720XP and Gas Model LG5721XP

rave Ovens, Trash Compactors, Room Air Conditioners, Dehumidifiers, Automatic Washers, Clothes Dryers, Freezers, Refrigerator-Freezer



#### 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, your warranty, sales slip and "Dryer Guide" in the Laundry Information Center on the back of the dryer console. Complete Model Number

Complete Serial Number

Purchase Date

Service Company and Telephone Number

There is no warranty registration to return. Proof-of-purchase is all that is required for in-warranty service.

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#### Your Responsibilities

Read this "Use and Care Guide" and your "Dryer Guide" carefully for important use and safety information.

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

- is installed by a qualified installer.
- is properly maintained.
- is installed in an area protected from the weather.
- 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 right kind of outlet, electric supply and grounding.\*
- is properly connected to fuel and exhaust systems.\*
- is used only for jobs normally expected of home clothes dryers.
- is not run where there may be explosive fumes.
- is not used by children or anyone unable to operate it properly.
- \*See the "Installation Instructions" for complete information.

#### Safety first

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

**ALWAYS** shut off the gas valve before leaving on vacation.

**NEVER** use flammable fluids (dry-cleaning solvents, gasoline, kerosene) in or near your dryer.

**ALWAYS** hand launder or air dry fabrics treated with flammable fluids before putting them into your dryer.

**NEVER** dry items containing wax or paint in the dryer. The fumes can create a FIRE HAZARD.

FIRE HAZARD and DAMAGE to some materials can result from:

- drying heat-sensitive materials with heat (see page 4).
- operating the dryer with the lint screen loose, damaged or missing.
- allowing lint to build up inside the dryer (see page 8).

**NEVER** allow children to operate, play with, or crawl inside the dryer.

**NEVER** operate the dryer if...

- it is not working right.
- it is damaged.
- parts are missing.
- all panels are not in place.

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

#### • FOR YOUR SAFETY •

#### IF YOU SMELL GAS:

- 1. OPEN WINDOWS.
- 2. DON'T TOUCH ELECTRI-CAL SWITCHES.
- 3. EXTINGUISH ANY OPEN FLAME.
- IMMEDIATELY CALL YOUR GAS SUPPLIER.

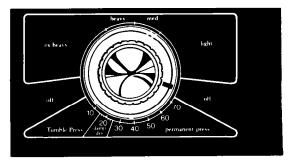
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DO NOT STORE OR USE GASOLINE OR OTHER FLAMMABLE VAPORS AND LIQUIDS IN THE VICINITY OF THIS OR ANY OTHER APPLIANCE.

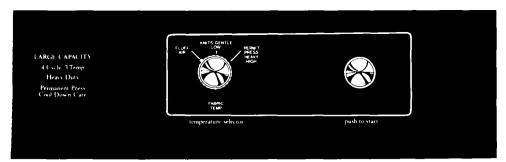
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# Selecting a cycle and starting your dryer

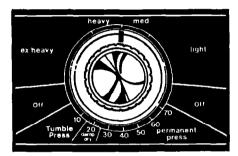
Before starting your dryer, be sure laundry is sorted and loaded properly (see your "Dryer Guide"). **Be sure the door is tightly closed.** 



TYPE OF LOAD	SUGGESTED CYCLE	SUGGESTED TEMPERATURI	
COTTONS – LINENS			
EXTRA HEAVY – Bedspreads,			
mattress pads, quilts	EX HEAVY		
HEAVYWEIGHT FABRICS — Towels,		PERM'T	
jeans, corduroys, work clothes	HEAVY	PRESS	
MEDIUMWEIGHT COTTONS -		HEAVY	
Sheets, pillowcases, cotton	MEDIUM	HIGH	
underwear, diapersLIGHTWEIGHT COTTONS — Batistes,	MEDIUM		
	LIGHT		
organdies, lingerie			
PERMANENT PRESS, SYNTHETICS AND BLENDS	PERM'T PRESS		
HEAVYWEIGHT FABRICS —Work clothes,		PERM'T	
iackets raincoats	40-50 MINS.	PRESS	
MEDIUMWEIGHT FABRICS — Shirts, play	40 00 11111101	HEAVY	
clothes, sheets, slacks	30-40 MINS.	HIGH	
LIGHTWEIGHT FABRICS – Lingerie,			
blouses, dresses	20-30 MINS.		
KNITS	PERM'T PRESS		
<b>HEAVYWEIGHT</b> — Cottons, rayons,		PERM'T PRESS	
blends, T-shirts, slacks, shirts	40-50 MINS.		
LIGHTWEIGHT — Synthetics (polyester,		KNITS GENTLE	
acrylic, etc.) and blends, lingerie,	30-40 MINS.	LOW	
blouses, dresses			
LIGHTWEIGHT AND DELICATE FABRICS	PERM'T PRESS		
Sheer Curtains (2 or 3 panels)	20-30 MINS.		
Gauze, lace, etc.			
RUBBER, PLASTIC, HEAT-SENSITIVE	PERM'T PRESS		
FABRICS FOAM RUBBER — Pillows, bras,			
stuffed toys	20-30 MINS	FLUFF	
PLASTIC — Shower curtains,	20 00 1111110.	AIR	
tablecloths	20-30 MINS.		
RUBBER-BACKED RUGS	40-50 MINS.		
OLEFIN, POLYPROPYLENE, SHEER NYLON			
WARNING: Drying these and other	er heat-sensitive them or be a	/e	

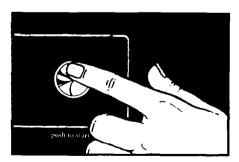


## Select a 1. CYCLE



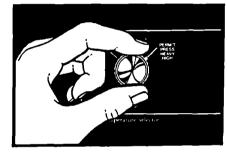
Turn the Control Knob either way to point to the cycle and setting you want. See page 6 for information on the cycles.

# Push the 3. START Button



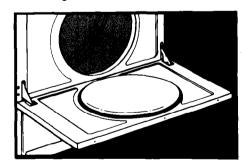
The dryer will start tumbling when you push the START Button.

# Set TEMPERATURE 2. SELECTOR



Turn the Temperature Selector to the needed drying temperature.

# To stop and restart the dryer



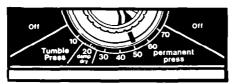
To stop the dryer, open the door (or turn the Control Knob to OFF).

To restart the dryer, close the door, select cycle, if necessary, and push START.

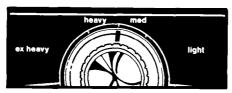
The Cycle Control Knob should point to OFF when the dryer is not in use.

#### **Operating instructions**

#### **Dryer cycles and settings**



The PERMANENT PRESS Cycle helps provide the special care that permanent press and synthetic fabrics need...a period of heated drying followed by a 10 minute cool down. The chart on page 4 suggests time and temperature settings for different kinds of loads.



The EX HEAVY, HEAVY, MEDIUM and LIGHT cycles describe the loads they are designed to dry. The chart on page 4 tells what is meant by EX HEAVY, HEAVY, MEDIUM and LIGHT loads.

At each setting, the dryer will run about long enough to dry the load described by the setting. Example:

The HEAVY Cycle is designed to be long enough to dry a load of heavy fabrics (towels, jeans, corduroys, etc.) when the Temperature Selector is set on PERM'T PRESS/HEAVY HIGH.



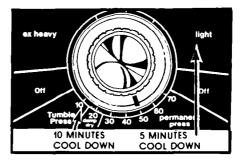
If the load is not as dry as you want, set the dial more to the **left** the next time you dry that kind of load.

If the load is dryer than you want, set the dial more to the **right** the next time you dry that kind of load.

#### **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.



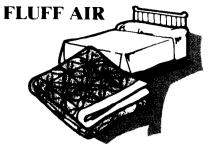
The PERMANENT PRESS Cycle has 10 minutes of cool down time at the end of the cycle.

All other cycles have 5 minutes of cooldown time.

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.

### Drying tips



The dryer does not heat when the Temperature Selector is set on FLUFF AIR. This setting can be used to fluff bedding, plastic tablecloths, foam rubber pillows, stuffed toys, sneakers, etc.



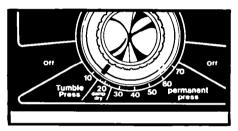
- **1.** Set the Temperature Selector to FLUFF AIR.
- Set the Control Knob to the PERMA-NENT PRESS Cycle and select the number of minutes you want.
- 3. Push the START Button.



#### **TUMBLE PRESS® Setting**



The TUMBLE PRESS setting removes wrinkles from dry clothing such as items that may have been packed in a suitcase, closet, or items not removed from the dryer.

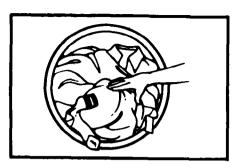


- Set Temperature Selector to PERM'T PRESS/HEAVY HIGH.
- 2. Set Control Knob to TUMBLE PRESS.
- 3. Push START Button.

The load will tumble in heated air for 5 minutes. The heat shuts off and the dryer continues to tumble the load for 10 more 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.

#### **Drying times**

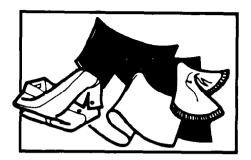


Drying times will vary depending on:

- 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.

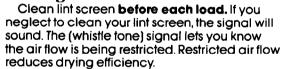
See page 6 in your "Dryer Guide" for more information.

#### **Mixed loads**



When drying a load with different kinds and weights of fabrics, use the cycle suggested for the lightest fabrics. When the dryer stops, remove dry items and reset the control.





Turn off the dryer and clean the lint screen as shown on page 9.



#### 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.

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



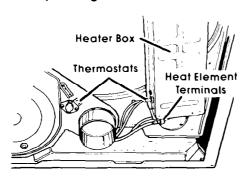
**ROLL** the lint off the screen with your fingers.

**DO NOT** rinse or wash the screen.

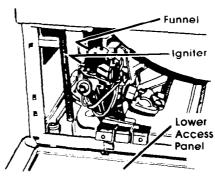
Push the screen firmly back into place.

#### Lint removal

Lint can gather inside the dryer and create a fire hazard. This lint should be removed 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.



- 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.

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

#### Caring for your dryer



Remove sharp objects from clothing before drying — pins, buckles, etc.
Close metal zippers.



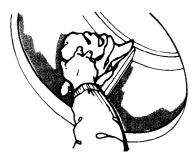
**Never** leave wet or damp laundry in your dryer.



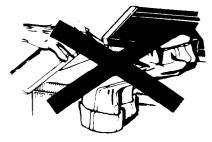
**Wipe off all spills** with a damp, soft cloth. Spills allowed to remain may dull or damage the finish.



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

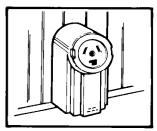


Non-colorfast items can stain the drum. Wipe **carefully** after drying to make sure there is no dye to be transferred to items in the next load.

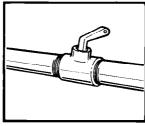


Some pretreatment products can damage dials, console and finish. Do not use these products on or near your dryer.

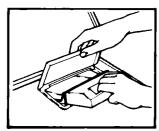
#### **Vacation care**



Unplug power cord or turn off electrical power.



For gas dryers, close gas valve.



Clean lint screen.

#### If you need service or assistance, we suggest vou follow these four steps:

#### 1. Before calling for assistance... 3. If you need service\*...

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

#### DRYER DOES NOT RUN:

- Is power supply cord plugged in?
- Is door closed tightly?
- Did you push START Button?
- Are fuses blown or a circuit-breaker tripped?

#### 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, turn Control. Knob to OFF. Turn on gas. Wait 5 minutes. Reset controls and start.
- An electric dryer uses a circuit breaker or 2 fuses. If one fuse is blown, the dryer may run, but not heat.

#### DRYING TIME SEEMS LONG:

- Is the lint screen clean?
- See page 6 in your "Dryer Guide."

#### 2. If you need assistance\*...

Call Whirlpool COOL-LINE® service assistance telephone number. Dial free from:

Continental U.S., (800) 253-1301 Michigan ...... (800) 632-2243 Alaska & Hawaii (800) 253-1121

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 aualified service company in your area.



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ice 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:



#### 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 F. Gunts, Vice President Whirlpool Corporation Administrative Center 2000 US-33 North Benton Harbor, MI 49022

\*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.





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