



Top-Loading High Efficiency Low-Water Washer Use and Care Guide

Guide d'utilisation et d'entretien de la laveuse haute efficacité à faible consommation d'eau avec chargement par le dessus

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Designed to use only HE High Efficiency
detergents.

Conçue pour l'utilisation d'un détergent haute
efficacité seulement.

Washer Safety

Your safety and the safety of others are very important.

We have provided many important safety messages in this manual and on your appliance. Always read and obey all safety messages.



This is the safety alert symbol.

This symbol alerts you to potential hazards that can kill or hurt you and others.

All safety messages will follow the safety alert symbol and either the word "DANGER" or "WARNING." These words mean:

! DANGER

You can be killed or seriously injured if you don't immediately follow instructions.

! WARNING

You can be killed or seriously injured if you don't follow instructions.

All safety messages will tell you what the potential hazard is, tell you how to reduce the chance of injury, and tell you what can happen if the instructions are not followed.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

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

- Read all instructions before using the washer.
- Do not wash articles that have been previously cleaned in, washed in, soaked in, or spotted with gasoline, dry-cleaning solvents, other flammable, or explosive substances as they give off vapors that could ignite or explode.
- Do not add gasoline, dry-cleaning solvents, or other flammable, or explosive substances to the wash water. These substances give off vapors that could ignite or explode.
- Under certain conditions, hydrogen gas may be produced in a hot water system that has not been used for 2 weeks or more. **HYDROGEN GAS IS EXPLOSIVE.** If the hot water system has not been used for such a period, before using the washing machine, turn on all hot water faucets and let the water flow from each for several minutes. This will release any accumulated hydrogen gas. As the gas is flammable, do not smoke or use an open flame during this time.
- Do not allow children to play on or in the washer. Close supervision of children is necessary when the washer is used near children.
- Before the washer is removed from service or discarded, remove the door or lid.
- Do not reach into the washer if the drum, tub or agitator is moving.
- Do not install or store the washer where it will be exposed to the weather.
- Do not tamper with controls.
- Do not repair or replace any part of the washer or attempt any servicing unless specifically recommended in this manual or in published user-repair instructions that you understand and have the skills to carry out.
- See "Electrical Requirements" located in the installation instructions for grounding instructions.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

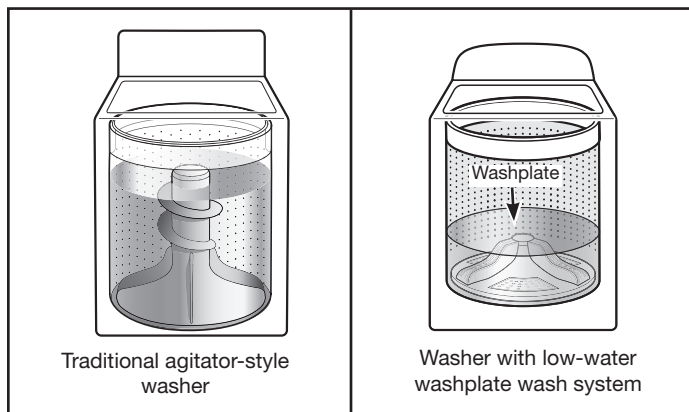
State of California Proposition 65 Warnings:

WARNING: This product contains one or more chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer.

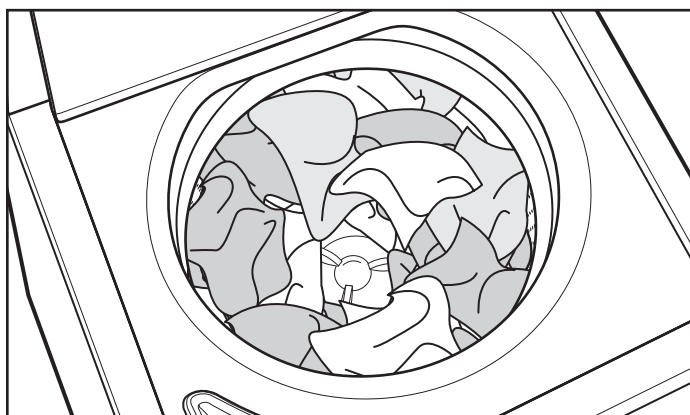
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What's New Under the Lid?

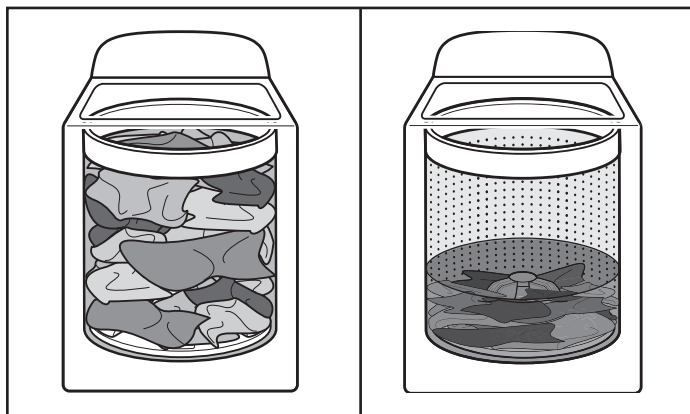
Cleaning with Less Water



The most striking difference in your new washer is the low-water washplate wash system. The washer automatically adjusts the water level to the load size—no water level selector is needed.



For best performance, it is recommended to load items in loose heaps evenly around the washplate.



As the washer dampens and moves the load, the level of the items will settle in the basket. This is normal, and does not indicate that more items should be added.

IMPORTANT: You will not see a washer basket full of water as with your past agitator-style washer. It is normal for some of the load to be above the water line.

Automatic Load Size Sensing

Once you start the cycle, the lid will lock, and the washer will begin the sensing process to determine the correct water level for the load. This may take several minutes before water is added. You will find a step-by-step description in the “Cycle Status Lights” section.

You will hear the motor turn the basket in short pulses to thoroughly wet the load. This low-water wash method uses less water and energy compared to a traditional agitator-style washer.

Choosing the Right Detergent

Use only High Efficiency detergents. The package will be marked “HE” or “High Efficiency.” Low-water washing creates excessive sudsing with a regular non-HE detergent. Using regular detergent will likely result in longer cycle times and reduced rinsing performance. It may also result in component failures and noticeable mold or mildew. HE detergents are made to produce the right amount of suds for the best performance. Follow the manufacturer’s instructions to determine the amount of detergent to use.



Use only High Efficiency (HE) detergent.

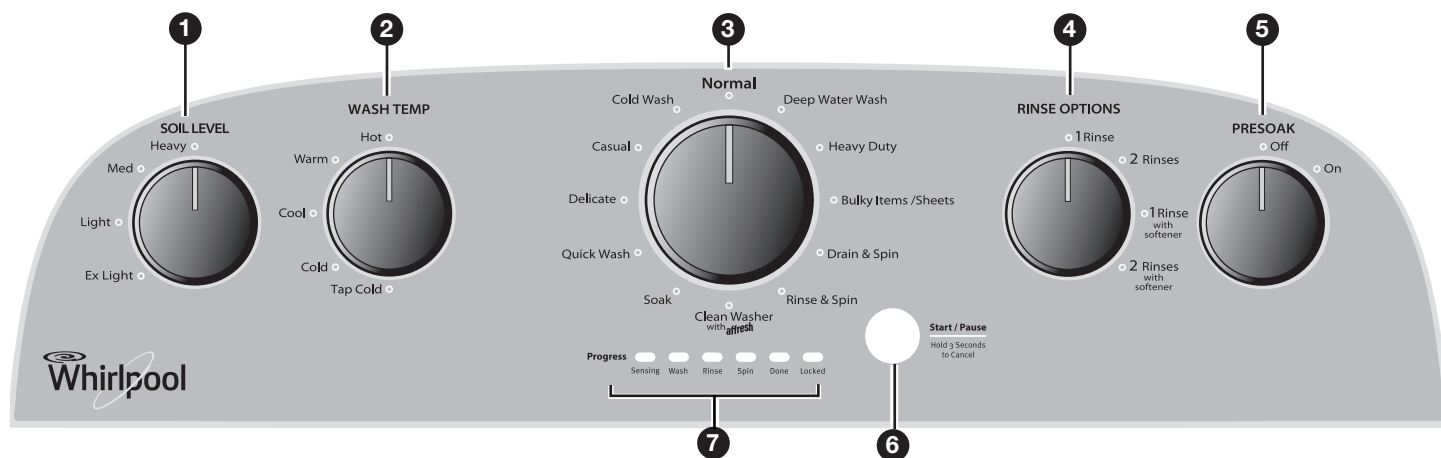
Concentrated Cleaning

Low-water cleaning means concentrated cleaning. Rather than diluting detergent as done in an agitator-style washer, this washer delivers the detergent directly to the soils.

Normal Sounds You Can Expect

At different stages of the wash cycle, you may hear sounds and noises that are different from those of your previous washer. For example, you may hear a clicking and hum at the beginning of the cycle, as the lid lock goes through a self-test. There will be different kinds of humming and whirring sounds as the washplate moves the load and as basket is decelerating to a stop. And sometimes, you may hear nothing at all, as the washer determines the correct water level for your load or allows time for clothes to soak.

Control Panel and Features



1 SOIL LEVEL

Select the most suitable setting for your load. For heavily soiled fabrics, select Heavy Soil Level for more wash time. For lightly soiled fabrics, select Ex Light Soil Level for less wash time. Lighter soil level setting will help reduce tangling and wrinkling.

2 WASH TEMP

Wash Temp senses and maintains uniform water temperatures by regulating incoming hot and cold water.

Select a wash temperature based on the type of fabric and soils being washed. For best results and following the garment label instructions, use the warmest wash water safe for your fabric.

- On some models and cycles, warm and hot water may be cooler than your previous washer.
- Even in a cold and cool water wash, some warm water may be added to the washer to maintain a minimum temperature.

3 WASH CYCLE KNOB

Use the Wash Cycle knob to select available cycles on your washer. See “Cycle Guide” for detailed descriptions of cycles.

4 RINSE OPTIONS

The following options may be added to most cycle. See “Cycle Guide” for additional details.

1 RINSE

This option is used to limit a cycle to one rinse.

2 RINSES

This option can be used to automatically add a second rinse to most cycles.

1 RINSE with SOFTENER

This option must be selected if using fabric softener during a cycle. It ensures that the water levels are correct for optimal fabric softener distribution.

2 RINSES with SOFTENER

This option turns on both the Fabric Softener and the 2 Rinses option.

5 PRESOAK

Use this option to add an extra soak period to any cycle to help loosen tough stains. The washer will fill and then pause to soak, and then begin the selected cycle.

6 START/PAUSE BUTTON

Press to start the selected cycle; press again to pause the cycle and unlock the lid.

NOTE: If the washer is spinning, it may take several minutes to unlock the lid.

Press and hold 3 seconds to cancel a cycle and drain the water from the washer.

7 CYCLE STATUS LIGHTS INDICATOR

Progress Sensing Wash Rinse Spin Done Locked

The Cycle Status Lights show the progress of a cycle. At each stage of the process, you may notice sounds or pauses that are different from traditional washers.

SENSING

When the Start/Pause button is pressed, the washer will first perform a self-test on the lid lock mechanism. You will hear a click, the basket will make a slight turn, and the lid will unlock briefly before locking again.

Once the lid has locked the second time, the washer will use short, slow spins to estimate the load size. These sensing spins may take 2 to 3 minutes before water is added to the load and you may hear the hum of these spins. If the sensing light is on, then washer is working properly. You will hear the motor turn the basket in short pulses to thoroughly wet the load. The washer will then move the load briefly, pause to allow water to soak in to the load, and resume adding water. This process may repeat until the correct amount of water has been added for the load.

NOTE: Avoid opening lid during sensing. The sensing process will start over when the washer is restarted. The sensing light may also come on during the Soak and Wash portions of the cycle. This is normal.

WASH

You will hear the motor and washplate moving the load. Unlike traditional washers, the load is not covered with water. Low-water cleaning means concentrated cleaning. Rather than diluting detergent as done in an agitator-style washer, this washer delivers the detergent directly to the soils. The motor sounds may change at different stages in the cycle. The wash time is determined by the selected soil level.

RINSE

You will hear sounds similar to the wash cycle as the washer rinses and moves the load.

SPIN

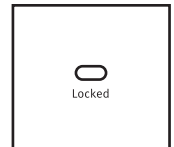
The washer spins the load at increasing speeds for proper water removal, based on the selected cycle and spin speed.

DONE

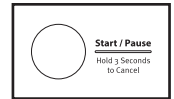
Once the cycle is complete, this light will come on. Remove the load promptly for best results.

LOCKED

To allow for proper load sensing and spinning, the lid will lock and the Locked light will turn on. This light indicates that the lid is locked and cannot be opened.



If you need to open the lid, press START/PAUSE. The lid will unlock once the washer movement has stopped. This may take several minutes if the load was spinning at high speed.



NOTE: Holding the START/PAUSE Button will cancel the cycle and cause the washer to drain.

Press START/PAUSE again to resume the cycle. Avoid opening the lid during sensing. The sensing process will start over when the washer is restarted.

Cycle Guide

For best fabric care, choose the cycle that best fits the load being washed.

Recommended settings for best performance are shown in Bold.

Not all cycles and options are available on each cycle. Not all settings and options are available on each cycle.

Items to wash:	Cycle:	Wash Temp*:	Spin Speed**:	Cycle Details:
Large items such as sheets, sleeping bags, small comforters, jackets, small washable rugs	Bulky Items/ Sheets	Hot Warm Cool Cold Tap Cold	Low	Use this cycle to wash large items such as jackets and small comforters. The washer will fill with enough water to wet down the load before the wash portion of the cycle begins, and uses a higher water level than other cycles.
Sturdy fabrics, colorfast items, towels, jeans	Heavy Duty	Hot Warm Cool Cold Tap Cold	High	Provides maximum wash time and action for tough stains and soils. Use this cycle for heavily soiled or sturdy items. Water-level sensing process may take longer for some items than for others because they will absorb more water than other fabric types.
Casual and mixed loads, jeans, towels, sturdy fabrics	Deep Water Wash	Hot Warm Cool Cold Tap Cold	High	Provides additional water and alternating wash action for heavily soiled mixed loads. Water-level sensing process may take longer for some items than for others because they will absorb more water than other fabric types.
Cottons, linens, and mixed item loads	Normal	Hot Warm Cool Cold Tap Cold	High	Use this cycle for normally soiled cottons and mixed fabric loads.
Bright or darkly colored cottons, linens, casual and mixed loads	Cold Wash	Cold	High	Cold water with an additional wash action gently lifts stains while caring for fabrics. Settings may be adjusted as desired, but must use only cold water settings.
No-iron fabrics, cottons, perm press, synthetics	Casual	Hot Warm Cool Cold Tap Cold	Low	Use this cycle to wash loads of no-iron fabrics such as sport shirts, blouses, casual business clothes, permanent press, and blends.
Machine-wash silks, hand-wash fabrics	Delicate	Hot Warm Cool Cold Tap Cold	Low	Use this cycle to wash lightly soiled items indicating "Machine Washable Silks" or "Gentle" cycle on the care label. Place small items in mesh garment bags before washing. This cycle uses a higher, preset water level.
Small loads, cottons, polyester, perm press	Quick Wash	Hot Warm Cool Cold Tap Cold	High	Use this cycle to wash small, lightly soiled loads of 2-3 items that are needed in a hurry.
Heavily soiled fabrics	Soak	Hot Warm Cool Cold Tap Cold	No Spin	Use this cycle to soak small spots of set in stains on fabrics. The washer will use intermittent agitation and soaking. After time has expired, water will drain, but the washer will not spin. Cycle is complete.
Hand-washed items or dripping wet items	Drain & Spin	N/A	High	This cycle uses a spin to shorten drying times for heavy fabrics or special-care items washed by hand. Use this cycle to drain washer after cancelling a cycle or completing a cycle after a power failure.
Swimsuits and items requiring rinsing without detergent	Rinse & Spin	Cold rinse only	High	Combines a rinse and high speed spin for loads requiring an additional rinse cycle or to complete a load after power interruption. Also use for loads that require rinsing only.
No clothes in washer	Clean Washer with affresh®	Hot Warm Cool Cold Tap Cold	Low	Use this cycle every 30 washes to keep the inside of your washer fresh and clean. This cycle uses a higher water level. Use with affresh® Washer Cleaner tablet or liquid chlorine bleach to thoroughly clean the inside of your washer. This cycle should not be interrupted. See "Washer Care." IMPORTANT: Do not place garments or other items in the washer during the Clean Washer with affresh® cycle. Use this cycle with an empty wash tub.

*All rinses are cold.

**Spin speed is integrated into the cycle and can not be selected.

Using Your Washer

⚠ WARNING



Fire Hazard

Never place items in the washer that are dampened with gasoline or other flammable fluids.

No washer can completely remove oil.

Do not dry anything that has ever had any type of oil on it (including cooking oils).

Doing so can result in death, explosion, or fire.

⚠ WARNING



Electrical Shock Hazard

Plug into a grounded 3 prong outlet.

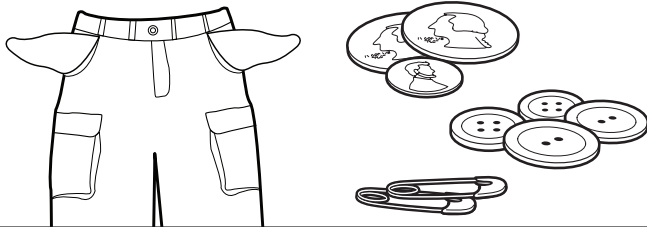
Do not remove ground prong.

Do not use an adapter.

Do not use an extension cord.

Failure to follow these instructions can result in death, fire, or electrical shock.

1. Sort and prepare your laundry



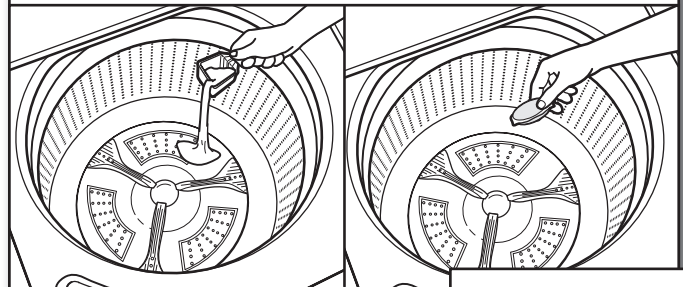
- Empty pockets. Loose change, buttons, or any small object can pass under the washplate and become trapped, causing unexpected sounds.
- Sort items by recommended cycle, water temperature, and colorfastness.
- Separate heavily soiled items from lightly soiled.
- Separate delicate items from sturdy fabrics.
- Do not dry items if stains remain after washing, because heat can set stains into fabric.
- Treat stains promptly.
- Close zippers, fasten hooks, tie strings and sashes, and remove non-washable trim and ornaments.
- Mend rips and tears to avoid further damage to items during washing.

Helpful Tips:

- When washing water-proof or water-resistant items, load evenly. See "Cycle Guide" for tips and more information on using the Bulky Items cycle.
- Use mesh item bags to help avoid tangling when washing delicate or small items.
- Turn knits inside out to avoid pilling. Separate lint-takers from lint-givers. Synthetics, knits, and corduroy fabrics will pick up lint from towels, rugs, and chenille fabrics.

Always read and follow fabric care label instructions to avoid damage to your items.

2. Add laundry products



Add a measured amount of HE detergent or single-dose laundry packet into the basket.

If using Oxi-type boosters, color-safe bleach, or fabric softener crystals, add to the bottom of the washer basket before adding clothes.

IMPORTANT: Use only High Efficiency detergents. The package will be marked "HE" or "High Efficiency." Low-water washing creates excessive sudsing with a regular non-HE detergent. Using regular detergent will likely result in longer cycle times and reduced rinsing performance. It may also result in component failures and noticeable mold or mildew. HE detergents are made to produce the right amount of suds for the best performance.

NOTE: Follow the manufacturer's instructions to determine the amount of laundry products to use.



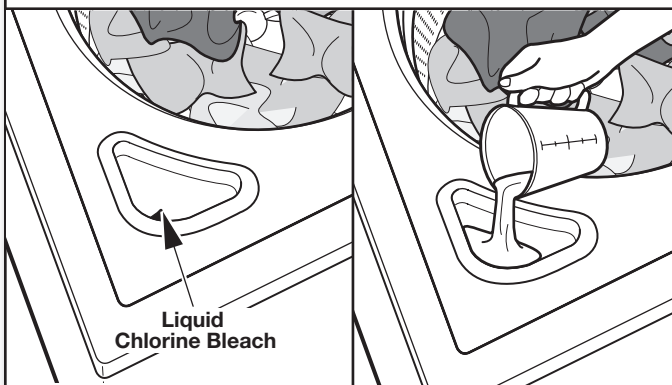
3. Load laundry into washer



For best performance, load items in loose heaps evenly around the washplate. Try mixing different sized items to reduce tangling.

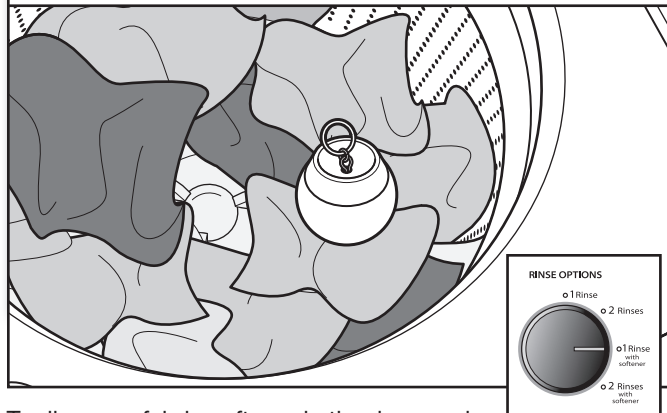
IMPORTANT: Items need to move freely for best cleaning and to reduce wrinkling and tangling.

4. Add liquid chlorine bleach to dispenser, if desired



Do not overfill, dilute, or use more than 1 cup (250 mL). Do not use color-safe bleach or Oxi products in the same cycle with liquid chlorine bleach.

5. Add fabric softener, if desired



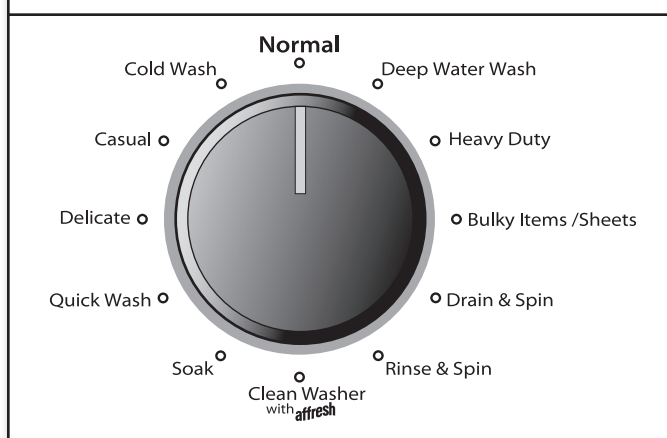
To dispense fabric softener in the rinse cycle, this washer has been designed to allow the use of the Downy Ball®† dispenser. Pour a measured amount of Downy® liquid fabric softener into the Downy Ball® dispenser, pull the ring tightly to seal it, and place on top of load. Always follow manufacturer's directions for correct amount of fabric softener based on your load size. Then select 1 Rinse with Softener option. The Downy Ball® dispenser will automatically release the fabric softener during the rinse cycle. For questions on using the Downy Ball® dispenser call 1-800-688-7638 or visit www.downy.com.

IMPORTANT: Rinse option must be selected to 1 Rinse with Softener or 2 Rinses with Softener to ensure proper distribution at correct time in cycle. Do not overfill or dilute.

Adding Liquid Fabric Softener Manually to Wash Load

During the final rinse, wait until the washer has completed filling, press the START/Pause button to pause the washer. Lift the lid and add the measured recommended amount of liquid fabric softener. Do not use more than the recommended amount. Close the lid and press the START/Pause button again to start the washer.

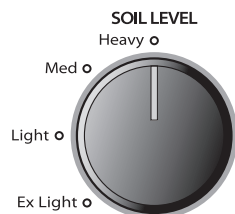
6. Select cycle



Turn cycle knob to choose your wash cycle.

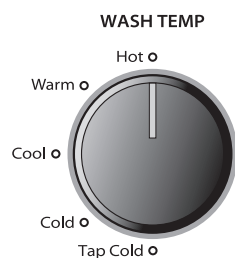
†@Downy and Downy Ball are registered trademark of The Procter & Gamble Company.

7. Select SOIL LEVEL



Once you select a cycle, select the soil level by turning the Soil Level knob to the desired setting.

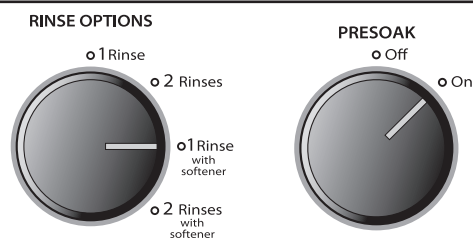
8. Select WASH TEMP



Once you select a cycle, select the wash temperature by turning the Wash Temp knob to the desired setting.

Always read and follow fabric care label instructions to avoid damage to your items.

9. Select cycle options, if desired



If you would like to add an extra rinse, fabric softener or extra soak period to any cycle, turn the knob to desired setting.

10. Press START/Pause to begin wash cycle



Press the START/Pause button to start the wash cycle. When the cycle has finished, the DONE indicator will light. Promptly remove items after cycle has completed to avoid odor, reduce wrinkling, and rusting of metal hooks, zippers, and snaps.

Unlocking the lid to add items

If you need to open the lid to add 1 or 2 missed items: Press START/Pause; the lid will unlock once the washer movement has stopped. This may take several minutes if the load was spinning at high speed. Then close lid and press START/Pause again to restart the cycle.

If lid is left open for more than 10 minutes the water will pump out automatically.

Wash Temp	Suggested Fabrics
Hot Some cold water is added to save energy. This will be cooler than your hot water heater setting.	Whites and pastels Durable items Heavy soils
Warm Some cold water will be added, so this will be cooler than what your previous washer provided.	Bright colors Moderate to light soils
Cool Warm water is added to assist in soil removal and to help dissolve detergents.	Colors that bleed or fade Light soils
Cold Warm water may be added to assist in soil removal and to help dissolve detergents.	Dark colors that bleed or fade Light soils
Tap Cold This is the temperature from your faucet.	Dark colors that bleed or fade Light soils

Washer Maintenance

WATER INLET HOSES

Replace inlet hoses after 5 years of use to reduce the risk of hose failure. Periodically inspect and replace inlet hoses if bulges, kinks, cuts, wear, or leaks are found.

When replacing your inlet hoses, mark the date of replacement on the label with a permanent marker.

NOTE: This washer does not include inlet hoses. See the Installation Instructions for more information.

WASHER CARE

Recommendations to Help Keep Your Washer Clean and Performing at its Best

1. Always use High Efficiency (HE) detergents and follow the HE detergent manufacturer's instructions regarding the amount of HE detergent to use. Never use more than the recommended amount because that may increase the rate at which detergent and soil residue accumulate inside your washer, which in turn may result in undesirable odor.
2. Use warm and hot wash water settings sometimes (not exclusively cold water washes), because they do a better job of controlling the rate at which soils and detergent accumulate.
3. Always leave the washer lid open between uses to help dry out the washer and prevent the buildup of odor-causing residue.

Cleaning Your Top Loading Washer

Read these instructions completely before beginning the routine cleaning processes recommended below. This Washer Maintenance Procedure should be performed, at a minimum, once per month or every 30 wash cycles, whichever occurs sooner, to control the rate at which soils and detergent may otherwise accumulate in your washer.

Cleaning the Inside of the Washer

To keep your washer odor-free, follow the usage instructions provided above, and use this recommended monthly cleaning procedure:

Clean Washer Cycle

This washer has a special cycle that uses higher water volumes in combination with affresh® Washer Cleaner or liquid chlorine bleach to clean the inside of the washer.

Begin procedure

1. affresh® Washer Cleaner Cycle Procedure (Recommended for Best Performance):

- a. Open the washer lid and remove any clothing or items.
- b. Place an affresh® Washer Cleaner tablet in the bottom of the washer basket.
- c. Do not place an affresh® Washer Cleaner tablet in the detergent dispenser.
- d. Do not add any detergent or other chemical to the washer when following this procedure.
- e. Close the washer lid.
- f. Select the CLEAN WASHER cycle.
- g. Press the START/Pause/Unlock button to begin the cycle. The Clean Washer Cycle Operation is described below.

NOTE: For best results, do not interrupt cycle. If cycle must be interrupted, press POWER/CANCEL. (For models with no Power/Cancel button, press and hold START/Pause/Unlock for three seconds). After the Clean Washer cycle has stopped, run a RINSE & SPIN cycle to rinse cleaner from washer.

WASHER CARE (cont.)

2. Chlorine Bleach Procedure (Alternative):

- a. Open the washer lid and remove any clothing or items.
- b. Add 1 cup (236 mL) of liquid chlorine bleach to the bleach compartment.

NOTE: Use of more liquid chlorine bleach than is recommended above could cause washer damage over time.

- c. Close the washer lid.
- d. Do not add any detergent or other chemical to the washer when following this procedure.
- e. Select the CLEAN WASHER cycle.
- f. Press the START/Pause/Unlock button to begin the cycle. The Clean Washer Cycle Operation is described below.

NOTE: For best results, do not interrupt cycle. If cycle must be interrupted, press POWER/CANCEL. (For models with no Power/Cancel button, press and hold START/Pause/Unlock for three seconds). After the Clean Washer cycle has stopped, run a RINSE & SPIN cycle to rinse cleaner from washer.

Description of Clean Washer Cycle Operation:

1. This cycle will fill to a water level higher than in normal wash cycles to provide rinsing at a level above the water line for normal wash cycle.
2. During this cycle, there will be some agitation and spinning to increase the removal of soils.

After this cycle is complete, leave the lid open to allow for better ventilation and drying of the washer interior.

Cleaning the Dispensers

After a period of using your washer, you may find some residue buildup in the washer's dispensers. To remove residue from the dispensers, wipe them with a damp cloth and towel dry. Do not attempt to remove the dispensers or trim for cleaning. The dispensers and trim are not removable. If your model has a dispenser drawer, however, remove the drawer and clean it before or after you run the Clean Washer cycle. Use an all-purpose surface cleaner, if needed.

Cleaning the Outside of the Washer

Use a soft, damp cloth or sponge to wipe away any spills. Use only mild soaps or cleaners when cleaning external washer surfaces.

IMPORTANT: To avoid damaging the washer's finish, do not use abrasive products.

NON-USE AND VACATION CARE

Operate your washer only when you are home. If moving, or not using your washer for a period of time, follow these steps:

1. Unplug or disconnect power to washer.
2. Turn off water supply to washer, to avoid flooding due to water pressure surge.

WINTER STORAGE CARE

IMPORTANT: To avoid damage, install and store washer where it will not freeze. Because some water may stay in hoses, freezing can damage washer. If storing or moving during freezing weather, winterize your washer.

To winterize washer:

1. Shut off both water faucets; disconnect and drain water inlet hoses.
2. Put 1 qt. (1 L) of R.V.-type antifreeze in basket and run washer on RINSE & SPIN cycle for about 30 seconds to mix antifreeze and remaining water.
3. Unplug washer or disconnect power.

TRANSPORTING YOUR WASHER

1. Shut off both water faucets. Disconnect and drain water inlet hoses.
2. If washer will be moved during freezing weather, follow WINTER STORAGE CARE directions before moving.
3. Disconnect drain hose from drain system and drain any remaining water into a pan or bucket. Disconnect drain hose from back of washer.
4. Unplug power cord.
5. Place inlet hoses and drain hose inside washer basket.
6. Drape power cord over edge and into washer basket.
7. Place packing tray from original shipping materials back inside washer. If you do not have packing tray, place heavy blankets or towels into basket opening. Close lid and place tape over lid and down front of washer. Keep lid taped until washer is placed in new location. Transport washer in upright position.

REINSTALLING/USING WASHER AGAIN

To reinstall washer after non-use, vacation, winter storage, or moving:

1. Refer to Installation Instructions to locate, level, and connect washer.
2. Before using again, run washer through the following recommended procedure:

To use washer again:

1. Flush water pipes and hoses. Reconnect water inlet hoses. Turn on both water faucets.

⚠ WARNING



Electrical Shock Hazard

Plug into a grounded 3 prong outlet.

Do not remove ground prong.

Do not use an adapter.

Do not use an extension cord.

Failure to follow these instructions can result in death, fire, or electrical shock.

2. Plug in washer or reconnect power.
3. Run washer through BULKY ITEMS/SHEETS cycle to clean washer and remove antifreeze, if used. Use only HE High Efficiency detergent. Use 1/2 the manufacturer's recommended amount for a medium-size load.

Troubleshooting

First try the solutions suggested here or visit our website at www.whirlpool.com/product_help -
In Canada www.whirlpool.ca for assistance and to possibly avoid a service call.

If you experience	Possible Causes	Solution
Vibration or Off-Balance		
Check the following for proper installation or see “Using Your Washer” section.	Feet may not be in contact with the floor and locked.	Front and rear feet must be in firm contact with floor, and washer must be level to operate properly.
	Washer may not be level.	Check floor for flexing or sagging. If flooring is uneven, a 3/4" (19 mm) piece of plywood under your washer will reduce sound.
		See “Level the Washer” in Installation Instructions.
	Load could be unbalanced.	Load items in loose heaps evenly around the washplate. Adding wet items to washer or adding more water to basket could unbalance washer.
		Do not tightly pack. Avoid washing single items.
		Use Bulky Items/Sheets cycle for oversized, non-absorbent items such as jackets and small comforters. See “Cycle Guide”.
		See “Cycle Guide” and “Using Your Washer” in this Use and Care Guide.
Noises		
Clicking or metallic noises	Objects could get caught in washer drain system.	Empty pockets before washing. Loose items such as coins could fall between basket and tub or may block pump. It may be necessary to call for service to remove items.
		It is normal to hear metal items on clothing such as metal snaps, buckles, or zippers touch against the stainless steel basket.
Gurgling or humming	Washer may be draining water.	It is normal to hear the pump making a continuous humming sound with periodic gurgling or surging as final amounts of water are removed during the spin/drain cycles.
Humming	Load sensing may be occurring.	You may hear the hum of the sensing spins after you have started the washer. This is normal.
Whirring	Basket deceleration may be occurring.	You may hear the whirring sound of the basket decelerating. This is normal.
Water Leaks		
Check the following for proper installation:	Washer not level.	Water may splash off basket if washer is not level. Check that load is not unbalanced or tightly packed.
	Fill hoses not attached tightly.	Tighten fill-hose connection.
	Fill hose washers.	Make sure all four fill hose flat washers are properly seated.
	Drain hose connection.	Pull drain hose from washer cabinet and properly secure it to drainpipe or laundry tub.
		Do not place tape over drain opening.
	Check household plumbing for leaks or clogged sink or drain.	Water can back up out of a clogged sink or drainpipe. Check all household plumbing for leaks (laundry tubs, drain pipe, water pipes, and faucets.)
Washer not loaded as recommended.	Unbalanced loading can cause basket to be out of alignment and cause water to splash off tub. See “Using Your Washer” for loading instructions.	
Washer not performing as expected		
Not enough water in washer	Load not completely covered in water.	<p>This is normal operation for an HE low-water washer. The load will not be completely under water. The washer senses load sizes and adds correct amount of water for optimal cleaning. See “What’s New under the Lid.”</p> <p>IMPORTANT: Do not add more water to washer. Adding water lifts the items off the washplate, resulting in less effective cleaning.</p>

Troubleshooting

⚠ WARNING



Electrical Shock Hazard

Plug into a grounded 3 prong outlet.

Do not remove ground prong.

Do not use an adapter.

Do not use an extension cord.

Failure to follow these instructions can result in death, fire, or electrical shock.

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If you experience	Possible Causes	Solution
Washer not performing as expected (cont.)		
Washer won't run or fill, washer stops working or wash light remains on (indicating that the washer was unable to fill appropriately)	Check for proper water supply.	Both hoses must be attached and have water flowing to inlet valve.
		Both hot and cold water faucets must be turned on.
		Check that inlet valve screens have not become clogged.
		Check for any kinks in inlet hoses, which can restrict water flow.
	Check proper electrical supply.	Plug power cord into a grounded 3 prong outlet.
		Do not use an extension cord.
		Ensure there is power to outlet.
		Reset a tripped circuit breaker. Replace any blown fuses. NOTE: If problems continue, contact an electrician.
	Normal washer operation.	Lid must be closed for washer to run.
		Washer will pause during certain phases of cycle. Do not interrupt cycle.
		Washer may be stopped to reduce suds.
	Washer may be tightly packed.	Remove several items, rearrange load evenly around the washplate. Close lid and press START/Pause.
		Add only 1 or 2 additional items after washer has started.
		Do not add more water to the washer.
	Not using HE detergent or using too much HE detergent.	Only use HE detergent. Suds from regular detergents can slow or stop the washer. Always measure detergent and follow detergent directions based on your load requirements.
		To remove suds, cancel cycle. Select RINSE & SPIN. Press START/Pause. Do not add more detergent.

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Washer not performing as expected		
Washer not draining/ spinning, loads are still wet, or spin light remains on (indicating that the washer was unable to pump out water within 10 minutes)	Empty pockets and use garment bags for small items.	Small items may have been caught in pump or between basket and tub, which can slow draining.
	Using a cycle with a low spin speed.	Cycles with lower spin speeds remove less water than cycles with high spin speeds. Use the recommended cycle/spin speed for your item. To remove extra water in the load, select DRAIN & SPIN. Load may need to be rearranged to allow even distribution of the load in the basket.
	The washer may be tightly packed or unbalanced.	Tightly packed or unbalanced loads may not allow the washer to spin correctly, leaving the load wetter than normal. Evenly arrange the wet load for balanced spinning. Select the Drain & Spin cycle to remove excess water. See "Using Your Washer" for loading recommendations.
	Check plumbing for correct drain hose installation. Drain hose extends into standpipe farther than 4.5" (114 mm).	Check drain hose for proper installation. Use drain hose form and securely attach to drainpipe or tub. Do not tape over drain opening. Lower drain hose if the end is higher than 96" (2.4 m) above the floor. Remove any clogs from drain hose.
	Too much detergent causing suds to slow or stop draining and spinning.	Use only HE detergent. Always measure and follow detergent directions for your load. To remove extra suds, select RINSE & SPIN. Do not add detergent.
Dry spots on load after cycle	High speed spins extract more moisture than traditional top-load washers.	The high spin speeds combined with air flow during the final spin can cause items near the top of the load to develop dry spots during the final spin. This is normal.
Incorrect or wrong wash or rinse temperatures	Check for proper water supply.	Make sure hot and cold inlet hoses are not reversed.
		Both hoses must be attached to both washer and faucet, and have both hot and cold water flowing to inlet valve.
		Check that inlet valve screens are not clogged.
		Remove any kinks in hoses.
Load not rinsed	Check for proper water supply.	Make sure hot and cold inlet hoses are not reversed.
		Both hoses must be attached and have water flowing to the inlet valve.
		Both hot and cold water faucets must be on.
		Inlet valve screens on washer may be clogged.
		Remove any kinks in the inlet hose.
	Not using HE detergent or using too much HE detergent.	The suds from regular detergent can keep washer from operating correctly.
		Use only HE detergent. Be sure to measure correctly.
		Always measure detergent and follow detergent directions based on load size and soil level.
	Washer may be tightly packed.	The washer is less efficient at rinsing when tightly packed.
		Load items in loose heaps evenly around the washplate.
		Use cycle designed for the fabrics being washed.
		Add only 1 or 2 additional items after washer has started.

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Washer not performing as expected (cont.)		
Sand, pet hair, lint, etc. on load after washing	Heavy sand, pet hair, lint, and detergent or bleach residues may require additional rinsing.	Add 2 Rinses to the selected cycle.
Load is tangling	Washer not loaded as recommended.	See "Using Your Washer" section.
		Select a cycle with a slower wash action and spin speed; however, items will be wetter than those using a higher speed spin. See the "Cycle Guide" to match your load with the best cycle.
		Load items in loose heaps evenly around the washplate.
		Reduce tangling by mixing types of load items. Use the recommended cycle for the type of items being washed.
Not cleaning or removing stains	Added more water to washer.	Washer senses load size and adds correct amount of water. This is normal and necessary for clothes to move. It is normal for the wash load to be not completely covered in water. Added water lifts the laundry off the washplate, resulting in less effective cleaning.
	Washer not loaded as recommended.	Washer is less efficient at cleaning when tightly packed.
		Load items in loose heaps evenly around the washplate.
		Add only 1 or 2 additional items after washer has started.
	Adding detergent on top of load.	Add detergent, oxi products and color-safe bleach to the bottom of the basket before adding the items.
	Not washing like colors together.	Wash like colors together and remove promptly after the cycle is complete to avoid dye transfer.
	Not using HE detergent or using too much HE detergent.	The suds from regular detergent can keep washer from operating correctly.
		Use only HE detergent. Be sure to measure correctly.
		Always measure detergent and follow manufacturer's directions based on load size and soil level.
	Not using correct cycle for fabric type.	Use a higher soil level cycle option and warmer wash temperature to improve cleaning.
		If using Quick Wash cycle, wash only a few items.
		Use Heavy Duty cycle for tough cleaning. See the "Cycle Guide" to match your load with the best cycle and fabric type.
	Not using dispenser.	Use dispenser to avoid chlorine bleach.
		Load dispenser before starting a cycle.
		Do not add products directly onto load.
	Not using dispenser or Downy Ball®.	Use dispenser for chlorine bleach and Downy Ball® dispenser for fabric softener to avoid staining.
		Load dispenser before starting a cycle.
		Do not add products directly onto load.
	Not selecting 1 Rinse with Softener or 2 Rinses with Softener.	Always select 1 Rinse with Softener or 2 Rinses with Softener when using fabric softener. Cycles that use spray rinsing will add additional water for proper fabric softener dispensing when selected.
Incorrect dispenser operation	Clogged dispenser.	Use only liquid chlorine bleach in the bleach dispenser.

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If you experience	Possible Causes	Solution
Washer not performing as expected (cont.)		
Fabric Damage	Sharp items were in pockets during wash cycle.	Empty pockets, zip zippers, and snap or hook fasteners before washing to avoid snags and tears.
	Strings and straps could have tangled.	Tie all strings and straps before starting wash load.
	Items may have been damaged before washing.	Mend rips and broken threads in seams before washing.
	Fabric damage can occur if washer is tightly packed.	Load items in loose heaps evenly around the washplate.
		Use cycle designed for the fabrics being washed.
		Add only 1 or 2 additional items after washer has started.
	Liquid chlorine bleach may have been added incorrectly.	Do not pour liquid chlorine bleach directly onto load. Wipe up bleach spills.
		Undiluted bleach will damage fabrics. Do not use more than recommended by manufacturer.
		Do not place load items on top of bleach dispenser when loading and unloading washer.
	Garment care instructions may not have been followed.	Always read and follow item manufacturer's care label instructions. See the "Cycle Guide" to match your load with the best cycle.
Odors	Monthly maintenance not done as recommended.	Run the Clean Washer with affresh® cycle after every 30 washes. See "Washer Care" section.
		Unload washer as soon as cycle is complete.
	Using wrong or too much detergent.	Use only HE detergent. Be sure to measure correctly. Always follow the manufacturer's directions. See "Washer Care" section.
Lid Locked light is flashing	The lid is not closed.	Close the lid. The washer will not start or fill with the lid open.
	A cycle was stopped or paused using the START/Pause button.	The washer may still be spinning. The lid will not unlock until the basket has stopped spinning. This may take several minutes if washing large loads or heavy fabrics.
Single-dose laundry packet not dissolving	Adding laundry packet incorrectly.	Be sure laundry packet is added to washer basket before adding clothes. Do not add packet to dispensers. Follow the manufacturer's instructions to avoid damage to your items.

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