



120-VOLT ELECTRIC COMPACT DRYER

Use & Care Guide

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DRYER 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:

ADANGER

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

AWARNING

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.



WARNING - "Risk of Fire"

- Clothes dryer installation must be performed by a qualified installer.
- Install the clothes dryer according to the manufacturer's instructions and local codes.
- Do not install a clothes dryer with flexible plastic venting materials. If flexible metal (foil type) duct is installed, it must be of a specific type identified by the appliance manufacturer as suitable for use with clothes dryers. Flexible venting materials are known to collapse, be easily crushed, and trap lint. These conditions will obstruct clothes dryer airflow and increase the risk of fire.
- To reduce the risk of severe injury or death, follow all installation instructions.
- Save these instructions.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

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

- Read all instructions before using the dryer.
- Do not place items exposed to cooking oils in your dryer. Items contaminated with cook g oils may contribute to a chemical reaction that could cause a load to catch fire.
- Do not dry articles that have been previously cleaned in, as hed in, soaked in, or spotted with gasoline, drycleaning solvents, other flammable, or explosive substances as they give off vapors that could ignite or explode.
- Do not allow children to play on or in the dryer. Close supervision of children is necessary when the dryer is used near children.
- Efor e the dryer is removed from service or discarded, remove the door to the drying compartment.
- Do not reach into the dryer if the drum is moving.
- Do not install or store the dryer there it iw be exposed to the weather.
- Do not tamper ith controls.

- Do not repair or replace any part of the dryer or attempt any servicing unless specifically recommended in this Use and Care @de or in published user-repair instructions that you understand and have the skls to carry out.
- Do not use fabric softeners or products to eliminate static unless recommended by the manufacturer of the fabric softener or product.
- Do not use heat to dry articles containing foam rubber or similarly textured rubber-like materials.
- Clean lint screen before or after each load.
- Kep area around the exhaust opening and adjacent surrounding areas free from the accumulation of lint, dust, and dirt.
- The interior of the dryer and exhaust vent should be cleaned periodically by qualified service personnel.
- See installation instructions for grounding requirements.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

State of California Proposition 65 Warnings:

WARNING: This product contains a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

WARNING: This product contains a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm.

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Tools and Parts

Tools needed

Gather the required tools and parts before starting installation. Read and follow the safety instructions provided with any tools listed here.

- Flat-blade screwdriver
- Level
- Adjustable wrench
- Vent clamps
- Caulking gun and compound (for installing new exhaust vent)
- Tin snips (new vent installations)

Parts supplied

Remove parts package from the dryer drum. Check that all parts listed are included.

- 1 Cycle Control (timer) knob
- 2 cord brackets
- knob
- 2 screws
- 1 Push to Start button
- 4 casters

Parts needed

Check local codes, existing electrical supply and venting, and see "Venting Requirements" and "Electrical Requirements" before purchasing parts.

- Mobile home installations require metal exhaust system hardware
- Permanent installations require 4 dryer feet

For ordering information, please reference the "Assistance or Service" section of this manual. You can also contact the dealer from whom you purchased your dryer.

Location Requirements

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Explosion Hazard

Keep flammable materials and vapors, such as gasoline, away from dryer.

Place dryer at least 18 inches (460 mm) above the floor for a garage installation.

Failure to do so can result in death, explosion, or fire.

You will need

- A location that allows for proper exhaust installation. See "Venting Requirements."
- A 120-volt, 60-hz., AC-only, 15- or 20-amp circuit.

- A grounded electrical outlet located within 2 ft (610 mm) of either side of the dryer. See "Electrical Requirements."
- A sturdy floor to support the dryer weight (dryer and load) of 115 lbs (52 kg). The combined weight of a companion appliance should also be considered.
- A level floor with a maximum slope of 1" (25 mm) under entire dryer.

Do not operate your dryer at temperatures below 45°F (7°C). At lower temperatures, the dryer might not shut off at the end of an automatic cycle. Drying times can be extended.

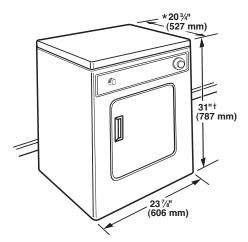
The dryer must not be installed or stored in an area where it will be exposed to water and/or weather.

Check code requirements. Some codes limit, or do not permit, installation of the dryer in garages, closets, mobile homes, or sleeping quarters. Contact your local building inspector.

Installation Clearances

The location must be large enough to allow the dryer door to open fully.

Dryer Dimensions



†Height with caster is 321/2" (826 mm)

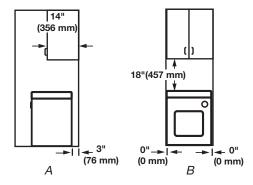
*Most installations require a minimum 5½" (140 mm) clearance behind the dryer for the exhaust vent with elbows. See "Venting Requirements."

Minimum installation spacing for recessed area and closet installation

The following dimensions shown are for the minimum spacing allowed when the unit is to be operated with, or without, the Stack Stand Kit. To purchase a Stack Stand Kit, see "Assistance or Service."

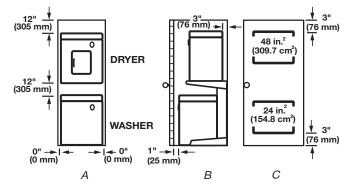
- Additional spacing should be considered for ease of installation and servicing.
- Additional clearances might be required for wall, door, and floor moldings.
- Additional spacing of 1" (25 mm) on all sides of the dryer is recommended to reduce noise transfer.
- For closet installation with a door, minimum ventilation openings in the top and bottom of the door are required. Louvered doors with equivalent ventilation openings are acceptable.
- Companion appliance spacing should also be considered.

Recessed or closet installation - Dryer only



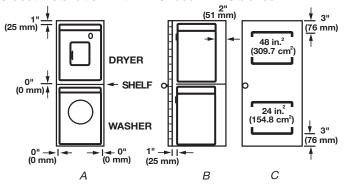
A. Side view - closet or confined area B. Recessed area

Recessed or closet installation - Stacked



- A. Recessed area
- B. Side view closet or confined area
- C. Closet door with vents

Closet installation with WFC7500VW - Stacked



- A. Recessed area
- B. Side view closet or confined area
- C. Closet door with vents

Mobile Home - Additional Location Requirements

This dryer is suitable for mobile home installations. The installation must conform to the Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standard, Title 24 CFR, Part 3280 (formerly the Federal Standard for Mobile Home Construction and Safety, Title 245, HUD Part 280) or Standard CAN/CSA-Z240 MH.

Mobile home installations require:

- Metal exhaust system hardware which is available for purchase from your dealer.
- Special provisions must be made in mobile homes to introduce outside air into the dryer. The opening (such as a nearby window) should be at least twice as large as the dryer exhaust opening.

Electrical Requirements

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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.

- A 120-volt, 60-Hz., AC-only, 15- or 20-amp fused electrical supply is required.
- A time-delay fuse or circuit breaker is recommended. Be sure fuse or circuit breaker matches the rating of your line.
- Use a separate circuit serving only your dryer.
- Do not use an extension cord.

GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS

■ For a grounded, cord-connected dryer: This dryer must be grounded. In the event of malfunction or breakdown, grounding will reduce the risk of electric shock by providing a path of least resistance for electric current.

This dryer is equipped with a cord having an equipmentgrounding conductor and a grounding plug. The plug must be plugged into an appropriate outlet that is properly installed and grounded in accordance with all local codes and ordinances.

WARNING: Improper connection of the equipment-grounding conductor can result in a risk of electric shock. Check with a qualified electrician or service representative or personnel if you are in doubt as to whether the dryer is properly grounded. Do not modify the plug provided with the dryer: if it will not fit the outlet, have a proper outlet installed by a qualified electrician.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

Venting Requirements

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Fire Hazard

Use a heavy metal vent.

Do not use a plastic vent.

Do not use a metal foil vent.

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

WARNING: To reduce the risk of fire, this dryer MUST BE EXHAUSTED OUTDOORS.

Only rigid or flexible metal duct shall be used for exhausting.

4" (102 mm) heavy metal exhaust vent and clamps must be used. DURASAFE™ vent products are recommended.

DURASAFE™ vent products can be purchased from your dealer or by calling Whirlpool Parts and Accessories. For more information, see the "Assistance or Service" section of this manual.

- The dryer exhaust must not be connected into any gas vent, chimney, wall, ceiling, attic, crawlspace, or a concealed space of a building.
- Do not use an exhaust hood with a magnetic latch.
- Do not install flexible metal vent in enclosed walls, ceilings, or floors.
- Use clamps to seal all joints. Exhaust vent must not be connected or secured with screws or other fastening devices which extend into the interior of the duct and catch lint.
 Do not use duct tape.

IMPORTANT: Observe all governing codes and ordinances.

Improper venting can cause moisture and lint to collect indoors, which may result in:

- Moisture damage to woodwork, furniture, paint, wallpaper, carpets, etc.
- Housecleaning problems and health problems.

Use a heavy metal vent. Do not use plastic or metal foil vent.

Rigid metal vent is recommended to prevent crushing and kinking.

Flexible metal vent must be fully extended and supported when the dryer is in its final position. Remove excess flexible metal vent to avoid sagging and kinking that may result in reduced airflow.

The total length of flexible metal vent should not exceed $7\frac{3}{4}$ ft (2.4 m).

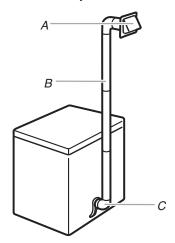
An exhaust hood should cap the vent to prevent rodents and insects from entering the home.

Exhaust hood must be at least 12" (305 mm) from the ground or any object that may be in the path of the exhaust (such as flowers, rocks or bushes, etc.).

If using an existing vent system, clean lint from the entire length of the system and make sure exhaust hood is not plugged with lint. Replace any plastic or metal foil vent with rigid metal or flexible metal vent.

Plan Vent System

Typical installations vent the dryer from the rear of the dryer.



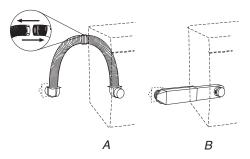
A. Exhaust hood

B. Flexible metal vent or rigid metal vent

C. Elbow

Alternate installations for close clearances

Venting systems come in many varieties. Select the type best for your installation. Two close-clearance installations are shown. Refer to the manufacturer's instructions provided with the vent system.



A. Over-The-Top installation (also available with one offset elbow)

B. Periscope installation

NOTE: The following kits for close clearance alternate installations are available for purchase. For ordering information see "Assistance or Service."

Over-The-Top Installation:

Part Number 4396028

 Periscope Installation (for use with dryer vent to wall vent mismatch):

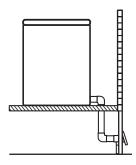
Part Number 4396037 - for mismatch of 0" (0 mm) to 18" (457 mm)

Part Number 4396011 - for mismatch of 18" (457 mm) to 29" (737 mm)

Part Number 4396014 - for mismatch of 29" (737 mm) to 50" (1.27 m)

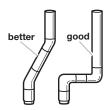
Special provisions for mobile home installations

The exhaust vent must be securely fastened to a noncombustible portion of the mobile home structure and must not terminate beneath the mobile home. Terminate the exhaust vent outside.



Determine vent length

 Select the route that will provide the straightest and most direct path outdoors. Plan the installation to use the fewest number of elbows and turns. When using elbows or making turns, allow as much room as possible. Bend vent gradually to avoid kinking. Avoid 90° turns when possible.

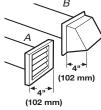


2. Determine vent length.

The maximum length of the exhaust system depends upon:

- The type of vent (rigid metal or flexible metal).
- The number of elbows used.
- Type of hood.

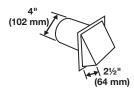
Recommended hood styles are shown here.



A. Louvered style

B. Box hood style

The angled hood style (shown following) is acceptable.



See the exhaust vent length chart that matches your hood type for the maximum vent lengths you can use.

Exhaust systems longer than specified will:

- Shorten the life of the dryer.
- Reduce performance, resulting in longer drying times and increased energy usage.
- 3. Determine the number of elbows you will need.

IMPORTANT: Do not use vent runs longer than specified in the Vent Length Chart.

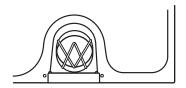
Find the maximum length of metal vent on the same line as the number of elbows.

Vent Length Chart

Number of 90° turns or elbows	Type of vent	Box or louvered hoods	Angled hoods
0	Rigid metal	36 ft (11 m)	26 ft (7.9 m)
1	Rigid metal	26 ft (7.9 m)	16 ft (4.9 m)
2	Rigid metal	16 ft (4.9 m)	6 ft (1.8 m)

Install Vent System

1. Before installing the vent system, be sure to remove the wire exhaust guard that is located at the exhaust outlet.



- Install exhaust hood. Use caulking compound to seal exterior wall opening around exhaust hood.
- 3. Connect vent to exhaust hood. Vent must fit inside exhaust hood. Secure vent to exhaust hood with 4" (102 mm) clamp.
- 4. Run vent to dryer location. Use the straightest path possible. See "Determine vent length." Avoid 90° turns. Use clamps to seal all joints. Do not use duct tape, screws, or other fastening devices that extend into the interior of the vent to secure the vent, because they can catch lint.

Install Cord Bracket and Casters

Do not move dryer into its final position until the following steps have been performed.

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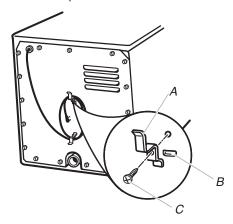
Excessive Weight Hazard

Use two or more people to move and install dryer.

Failure to do so can result in back or other injury.

Install cord bracket

- 1. Remove tape from the power cord and the rear panel.
- Insert cord brackts into slotted holes in rear panel and secure with screws provided.



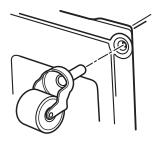
A. Cord bracket

- B. Slotted hole
- C. Screw

NOTE: Power supply cord may be wrapped around the bracket s for storage convenience when dryer is not in use.

Install casters

- 1. Lay the dryer on its side.
- 2. Use the carton to prevent damage to the dryer.



- Screwas ters into dryer base at four corners and tighten securely.
- Set the dryer upright. In doing so, be careful that the dryer does not roll away from you.

NOTE: Permanent installations require 4 dryer feet. See "Assistance or Service" section for ordering information.

Connect Vent

- Using a 4" (102 mm) clamp, connect vent to exhaust outlet in dryer. If connecting to existing vent, make sure the vent is clean. The dryer vent must fit over the dryer exhaust outlet and inside the exhaust hood. Make sure the vent is secured to exhaust hood with a 4" (102 mm) clamp.
- Move dryer into final position. Do not crush or kn k vent. Make sure dryer is level.
- (On gas models) Checkt o be sure there are no k nk in the flexible gas line.

Complete Installation

- Check to be sure all parts are now installed. If there is an extra part, go back through the steps to see two ich step to skipped.
- 2. Check to be sure you have all of your tools.
- 3. Dispose of the ecycle all packaging materials.
- 4. Check the dryer's final location. Be sure the vent is not crushed or k nk d.
- 5. Check to be sure the dryer is on a level surface.
- **6.** Plug into a grounded 3 prong outlet. Turn poer on.
- Remove the blue protective film on the console and any tape remaining on the dryer. Remove tape from the lint screen (located on inside backer II of dryer).
- 8. Read "Dryer Use."
- Wipe the dryer drum interior thoroughly iw th a damp cloth to remove any dust.
- 10. To test the dryer, set the dryer on a full heat cycle (not an air cycle) for 20 minutes and start the dryer.

If the dryer will not start, check the following:

- Controls are set in a running or "On" position.
- Start button has been firmly pushed.
- Dryer is plugged into a grounded 3 prong outlet.
- Electrical supply is connected.
- House fuse is intact and tight, or circuit breaker has not tripped.
- Dryer door is closed.
- **11.** When the dryer has been running for 5 minutes, open the dryer door and feel for heat.

If you do not feel heat, check the following:

Controls are set on a heated cycle, not an air cycle.

NOTE: You may notice an odor then dryer is first heated. This odor is common when the heating element is first used. The odor iw II go away.

DRYER USE



Starting Your Dryer

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Explosion Hazard

Keep flammable materials and vapors, such as gasoline, away from dryer.

Do not dry anything that has ever had anything flammable on it (even after washing).

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

Before using your dryer, wipe the dryer drum with a damp cloth to remove dust from storing and shipping.

- Clean the lint screen before or after each cycle. See "Cleaning the Lint Screen."
- 2. Load clothes loosely into the dryer and close the door. Do not pack the dryer. Allow space for clothes to tumble freely.



3. Turn the Cycle Control knob to the recommended cycle for the type of load being dried. Use the Energy Preferred Automatic Setting (*) to dry most heavyweight and medium weight loads. See "Drying, Cycle, and Temperature Tips."

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Fire Hazard

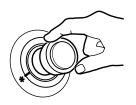
No washer can completely remove oil.

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

Items containing foam, rubber, or plastic must be dried on a clothesline or by using an Air Cycle.

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

WARNING: To reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury to persons, read the IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS before operating this appliance.



4. Press the PUSH TO START button.

Stopping and Restarting

You can stop your dryer any time during a cycle.

To stop your dryer

Open the dryer door or turn the Cycle Control knob to OFF.

NOTE: The Cycle Control knob should point to an Off area when the dryer is not in use.

To restart your dryer

- 1. Close the door.
- 2. Select a new cycle and temperature (if desired).
- 3. Press the PUSH TO START button.

Loading

Load clothes loosely into the dryer. Do not overload the dryer. Allow space for clothes to tumble freely. The following chart shows the maximum load you can place in your compact dryer. Expect longer drying times.

Heavy work clothes	2 pair of pants, 3 work shirts
Delicates	1 camisole, 2 slips, 4 undergarments, 1 set of sleepwear, 1 half slip
Towels	9 bath towels; or 6 bath towels, 3 hand towels, 6 washcloths
Mixed Load	2 pillowcases, 1 T-shirt, 2 shirts, 1 pair slacks
Knits	2 slacks, 2 shirts; or 3 dresses
Perm Press	6 shirts; or 2 double sheets & 2 pillowcases; or 2 singles sheets & 2 pillowcases

Drying, Cycle, and Temperature Tips

Select the correct cycle and temperature for your load. Your dryer tumbles the load without heat during the last few minutes of all cycles to make the load easier to handle.

Drying tips

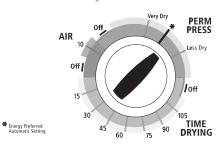
- Follow care label directions when they are available.
- If desired, add a fabric softener sheet. Follow package instructions
- Remove the load from the dryer as soon as tumbling stops to reduce wrinkling. This is especially important for permanent press, knits, and synthetic fabrics.

Cycle and temperature tips

- Dry most loads using the Energy Preferred Automatic Setting (*).
- Use a no heat (air) setting for rubber, plastic, or heat-sensitive fabrics.
- Line dry bonded or laminated fabrics.

NOTE: If you have questions about drying temperatures for various loads, refer to the care label directions.

Cycles



Cycle Control knob

Perm Press

This automatic cycle shuts off the dryer when the selected dryness is reached. The Cycle Control knob does not move until the load is almost dry. After the cool down, the knob automatically turns to an Off area and tumbling stops.

Dry most loads using the Energy Preferred Automatic Setting (*).

- If the load is drier than you like, select a setting closer to Less the next time you dry a similar load.
- If the load is not as dry as you like, complete drying using the Timed Drying cycle. The next time you dry a similar load, select a setting closer to Very Dry.

NOTE: Drying time with an automatic cycle varies according to the type of fabric and size of load.

Air Cycle

Use this cycle for items that require drying without heat, such as rubber, plastic, and heat-sensitive fabrics. See the chart for examples of items that can be dried using an air cycle.

Type of Load	Time*
Foam rubber—pillows, padded bras, stuffed toys	20 - 30
Plastic-shower curtains, tablecloths	20 - 30
Rubber-backed rugs	40 - 50
Olefin, polypropylene, sheer nylon	10 - 20

^{*(}Minutes). Reset cycle to complete drying, if needed.

When using an air cycle

- Check to see that coverings are securely stitched.
- Shake and fluff pillows by hand periodically during cycle.
- Dry item completely. Foam rubber pillows are slow to dry.

Timed Drying Cycle

Use this cycle to complete drying if items are still damp after the automatic cycle.

Timed Drying is also useful for:

- Heavyweight items and work clothes that require a long drying time.
- Lightweight items, such as lingerie, blouses, and knits that require a short drying time.

For damp dry, turn the Cycle Control knob to 30 minutes or less.

End of Cycle Signal

The dryer sounds a signal to let you know when the cycle is finished. The signal is not adjustable and cannot be turned off. 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.

DRYER CARE

Cleaning the Dryer Location

Kep dryer area clear and free from items that would obstruct the flow of combustion and ventilation air.

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Explosion Hazard

Keep flammable materials and vapors, such as gasoline, away from dryer.

Place dryer at least 18 inches (460 mm) above the floor for a garage installation.

Failure to do so can result in death, explosion, or fire.

Cleaning the Lint Screen

Every load cleaning

The lint screen is located inside the dryer drum, on the back wall. Clean it before each load. A screen blockd by lint can increase drying time.

To clean

1. Open the door and pull the lint screen straight out.





- 2. Squeeze body of lint screen lightly by ile pulling off the cover.
- 3. Roll lint off the screen it h your fingers. Do not rinse or wash screen to remove lint. Wet lint is hard to remove.
- 4. Replace cover on lint screen body. Push the lint screen firmly back into place and close the door.

IMPORTANT:

- Do not run the dryer with the lint screen loose, damaged, blockd, or missing. Doing so can cause overheating and damage to both the dryer and fabrics.
- Some tow s made of synthetic fibers and natural fibers (polyester and cotton blends) may shed more lint than other towels, causing your dryer's lint screen to fill up faster. Be sure to remove lint from the lint screen before and after drying new towels.

As needed cleaning

Laundry detergent and fabric softener residue can build up on the lint screen. This buildup can cause longer drying times for your clothes, or cause the dryer to stop before your load is completely dry. The screen is probably clogged if lint falls off the screen.

Clean the lint screen iv th a nylon brush every six months, or more frequently if it becomes clogged due to a residue buildup.

To wash

- 1. Roll lint off the screen with your fingers.
- 2. Wet both the lint screen cover and body with hot water.
- Wet a nylon brush with hot water and liquid detergent. Scrub lint screen cover and body iv the brush to remove residue buildup.



- 4. Rinse with hot water.
- Thoroughly dry lint screen body and cover iv th a clean towl. Replace in dryer.

Cleaning the Dryer Interior

To clean dryer drum

- Make a paste with powdered laundry detergent and very arm water.
- 2. Apply paste to a soft cloth.

OR

Apply a liquid, nonflammable household cleaner to the stained area and rub iw th a soft cloth until all excess dye is removed.

- 3. Wipe drum thoroughly iw th a damp cloth.
- 4. Tumble a load of clean cloths or towels to dry drum.

NOTE: Garments which contain unstable dyes, such as denim blue jeans or brightly colored cotton items, may discolor the dryer interior. These stains are not harmful to your dryer and iw I not stain future loads of clothes. Dry unstable dye items insideout to prevent dye transfer.

Removing Accumulated Lint

From Inside the Dryer Cabinet

Lint should be removed every 2 years, or more often, depending on dryer usage. Cleaning should be done by a qualified person.

From the Exhaust Vent

Lint should be removed every 2 years, or more often, depending on dryer usage.

Vacation and Moving Care

Vacation care

Operate your dryer only when you are at home. If you will be on vacation or not using your dryer for an extended period of time, you should:

- 1. Unplug dryer or disconnect power.
- 2. Clean lint screen. See "Cleaning the Lint Screen."

Moving care

- 1. Unplug the power supply cord.
- 2. Make sure leveling legs are secure in dryer base.
- 3. Use masking tape to secure dryer door.

TROUBLESHOOTING

First try the solutions suggested here and possibly avoid the cost of a service call...

Clothes are not drying satisfactorily

- The compact dryer operates at a lower wattage. Expect longer drying times.
- Check the following:

Is the wire exhaust guard removed from the back of the dryer?

Is the lint screen clogged with lint?

Is the exhaust vent or outside exhaust hood clogged with lint, restricting air movement? Run the dryer for 5-10 minutes. Hold your hand under the outside exhaust hood to check air movement. If you do not feel air movement, clean exhaust system of lint or replace exhaust vent with heavy metal or flexible metal vent. See "Installation Instructions."

Is the exhaust vent crushed or kinked? Replace with heavy metal or flexible metal vent. See "Installation Instructions."

Has an air dry cycle been selected? Select the right cycle for the types of garments being dried. See "Drying, Cycle, and Temperature Tips."

Are fabric softener sheets blocking the grille? Use only one fabric softener sheet and only use it once.

Is the automatic cycle ending early? This cycle will end early if dryer load is not contacting the sensor strips. Level the dryer. See "Installation Instructions."

■ Is the dryer located in a room with temperature below 45°F (7°C)?

Proper operation of dryer cycles requires temperatures above 45°F (7°C).

- Was a cold rinse water used? Was the load very wet? Expect longer drying times with items rinsed in cold water and with items that hold moisture (cottons).
- Is the load too large and heavy to dry quickly? Separate the load to tumble freely.

Dryer will not run

Check the following:

Is the power cord plugged into a grounded 3 prong outlet?

Has a fuse blown, or has a circuit breaker tripped?

Was a regular fuse used? Use a time-delay fuse.

Is the dryer door firmly closed?

Was the PUSH TO START button firmly pressed?

Is a cycle selected?

Unusual sounds

Has the dryer had a period of non-use?

If the dryer hasn't been used for a while, there may be a thumping sound during the first few minutes of operation.

Lint on load

Is the lint screen clogged?

Clean lint screen. Check for air movement.

Is the load properly sorted?

Sort lint givers (towels, chenille) from lint takers (corduroy, synthetics). Also sort by color.

Is the load too big or too heavy?

Dry smaller loads so lint can be carried to the lint screen.

Was the load overdried?

Use correct dryer settings for load type. Overdrying can cause lint-attracting static electricity. See "Drying, Cycle, and Temperature Tips."

Was paper or tissue left in pockets?

Is pilling being mistaken for lint?

Pilling (surface fuzz) is caused by normal wear and laundering.

Stains on load or color change

Was dryer fabric softener properly used?

Add dryer fabric softener sheets at the beginning of the cycle. Fabric softener sheets added to a partially dried load can stain your garments.

Were items soiled when placed in the dryer? Items should be clean before being dried.

■ Were items properly sorted?

Sort light colors from dark colors. Sort colorfast items from noncolorfast items.

Items shrinking

Was the dryer overloaded?

Dry smaller loads that can tumble freely.

■ Did the load overdry?

Check the manufacturer's care label. Match dryer setting to load type. See "Drying, Cycle, and Temperature Tips."

Loads are wrinkled

- Was the load removed from dryer at the end of the cycle?
- Was the dryer overloaded?

Dry smaller loads that can tumble freely.

■ Did the load overdry?

Check the manufacturer's care label. Match dryer setting to load type. See "Drying, Cycle, and Temperature Tips."

Odors

Have you recently been painting, staining, or varnishing in the area where your dryer is located?

If so, ventilate the area. When the odors or fumes are gone from the area, rewash and dry the clothing.

Is the dryer being used for the first time?

The new electric heating element may have an odor. The odor will be gone after the first cycle.

Garment damage

Check the following:

Were zippers, snaps, and hooks left open?

Were strings and sashes tied to prevent tangling?

Were care label instructions followed?

Were items damaged before drying?