



How to get the best out of your Tumble Dryer  
to achieve great results... every time

 Hotpoint

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# Congratulations

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on the purchase of your new **Hotpoint** Tumble Dryer

Home & Dry is a booklet designed to help you through each step of the drying process and providing useful tips to get the most out of your dry laundry.



## What is in a picture?

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Not sure what those drying symbols mean on the labels of your garments? Don't worry. Here is our easy-to-understand guide...

### Anything in a Square is to do with Drying

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|--|---|
|  May be tumble-dried                            |  Hang dry                |
|  May be tumble-dried on a delicate heat setting |  Dry flat                |
|  May be tumble-dried on a normal heat setting   |  Drip dry is recommended |
|  Do not tumble-dry                              |   |

### Anything in a Circle is to do with Dry Cleaning

- The letters in the circle indicate the type of solvent suitable for a garment and are for use by the dry cleaning specialist
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|    |  Do not dry clean |
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For complete list of all wash symbols refer to page xx of the "Solving Laundry Mysteries" part of this booklet

#### Hot Tip

Keep your Dryer in a **well ventilated room**. Don't place it in a cupboard or tight space or anywhere damp. Good air flow around the dryer is essential to speed up the drying process.

#### Hot Tip

**Use a Condenser Dryer?** - if you want to avoid having to manually empty the water container after each drying cycle, try to install your Dryer next to a drain so that the water can be pumped out automatically (if your Dryer is installed next to your washing machine it can share the same drain)

#### Hot Tip

Water collected in the water container, once filtered, can be used for ironing.

# Dryers let's keep it simple

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There are two different types of Dryer. They all do the same job – dry your laundry after it has been washed – they just have a different way of doing it.



**Vented Dryer:** The hot moist air from your dryer is pushed out of the dryer through a large tube fitted to an external wall and then released into the outside air. Remember a good installation of the vent hose is essential to allow your vented dryer to work efficiently.



**Condenser Dryer:** The hot moist air from your dryer is cooled by a blast of cold air and condenses into water which collects in a container or bottle. This can be avoided by connecting directly to the drain.



**Heat Pump Condenser Dryer Technology:** This uses Heat Pump technology which helps increase the energy efficiency and reduce the environmental impact of the Dryer, and also helps to lower running costs.

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## Quick steps for better drying:

- 1. Start with a load with minimal amount of residual water.** For this you can use a high spin speed on your washing machine to help get laundry as dry as possible before drying. This will help you to save time and money.
- 2. Sorting your laundry.** Separate heavy and light fabrics. Light fabrics, such as nylon, dry up to two times faster than heavy fabrics such as denim (cotton). Hotpoint Dryers help take care of your clothes – you can choose different programs suitable for any type of fabrics.
- 3. Empty pockets and check buttons are fastened.** Close zips and hooks, tie loose belts and straps. Do not tumble dry articles that contain rubber or rubber like materials, plastic films or any other flammable objects.
- 4. Check the capacity of your Dryer.** Make sure the load is adequate to the capacity of your machine. Do not overload, this could reduce drying efficiency.
- 5. Choose the program more suitable for your laundry.** You can choose amongst daily, extra and exclusive sensors or timed drying programs.
- 6. Personalise your drying** by choosing the right option, ie high/ low heat setting, crease care, delay timer, etc).
- 7. Remember to clean the filter and empty the water container at the end of the drying cycle.** This will help to keep your machine working properly and efficiently.

### Hot Tip

Hotpoint Dryers use special humidity sensors which automatically detect when the load is dry, which helps to save energy and helps improve drying results. Select from a range of programs and automatic drying levels – there is no need to check if the clothes are ready, the sensor will do all the work for you.



### Hot Tip

If available, try using the **Child Lock** option on your Hotpoint Dryer – this prevents the program setting from being changed.



### Hot Tip

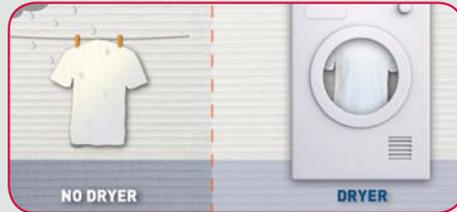
If available on your Hotpoint Dryer use the **Delay Timer** option. This helps to manage your drying when the energy costs may be lower (i.e. during the night) if you are using a special tariff with your Electricity Supplier.



## The Good News...

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Using a Dryer, rather than hanging up damp clothes to dry – whether indoors or outdoors – makes sense for a lot of reasons. Some of these might surprise you!



A dryer will always do the job; it isn't dependent on room temperature or the outside weather.

A Dryer is versatile; it can dry 'intelligently', it has a program for any type of fabric and can even dry depending on how quickly you want to have an article ready to wear! Even using dryers with time and basic settings allow you to dry different fabric types.



A dryer is simple and quick to use; it doesn't need you to spend time hanging individual items to dry.

## Hot Tip

Want to cut drying time? **Shake each item** after you take it out of the washing machine and before putting it in the dryer. It loosens up the load allowing the hot air to circulate more easily. This can help cut the drying time.

## Hot Tip

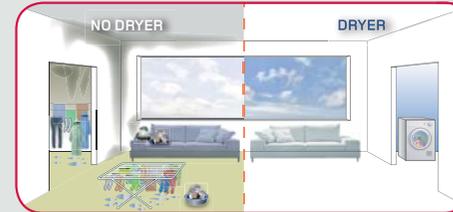
**Don't overload the Dryer.** Use a maximum of two-thirds of the space. This allows the warm air to circulate fully around the load, and will help cut drying time and electricity costs.

## Hot Tip

Hotpoint Dryers offer a big load capacity so you can dry a single duvet in just one cycle.



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A dryer looks neat and tidy; it's designed to fit with other domestic appliances. Clothes spread over radiators look messy, can cause a damp environment and can increase energy bills if the thermostat has to be turned up.

A dryer takes up less room than a drying rack, ideal when space is at a premium (especially in apartments). Why not install your dryer on top of your washing machine!



A Dryer helps to leave your laundry cleaner than drying outdoors. Wet items hung outside can sometimes pick up dirt and unpleasant smells.

## Hot Tip

An increasing number of people suffer from allergies of various kinds, and sometimes hanging clothes outside to dry may increase their exposure to allergens which may be trapped between the fibres of the fabrics.

The special **Anti Allergy** cycle on Hotpoint Dryers have the endorsement from Allergy UK, and is designed to help remove allergens from wet clothes.

## Hot Tip

Try your Hotpoint **Easy Iron** option to help reduce the amount of time dedicated to ironing. This helps to relax the fibres and makes them easier to iron and fold.

## Hot Tip

Try your Hotpoint **Refresh** or **Airing** program to freshen up your garments in only 20 minutes. This uses cold air to help eliminate bad smells like smoke or kitchen smells.



## And here's the Really Good News

A dryer is not expensive to run. To run a load of washing (2,5kg) costs less than a bar of chocolate (around 20 pence\*)

\* Assumes 2,5kg load, rate A-40%, cupboard dry cycle, average cost of UK electricity of 12,5p per kWh

# Common Drying Problems

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## Why are my clothes dry but full of creases?

**Cause:** You are probably using too high a heat setting or drying for too long.

**Prevention:** Wherever possible use an automatic drying program/option as the humidity sensors will detect automatically when your load is dry.



## Why are some of my clothes full of static electricity when I empty the dryer?

**Cause:** Static electricity can result from over-drying. This can happen when light-weight fabrics or delicate items dry too quickly.

**Prevention:** To help reduce this problem try using a Fabric Softener such as Lenor in your washing machine, and add a dryer sheet such as Lenor, in your Dryer to help reduce any static electricity.

## Why has my laundry lost the 'fresh' smell it usually has after washing?

**Cause:** Loss of freshness can be caused by over-drying.

**Prevention:** Try to choose a lower heat setting on your Dryer and use a dryer sheet such as Lenor. This gently adds a fresh fragrance to your laundry as well as helping protect against creasing and static cling.

## Lenor Fabric Softeners – offering many benefits to help with the drying of your laundry

- Reduce drying time
- Decrease static cling (especially helpful with permanent-press and synthetic fibres)
- Reduce wrinkling
- Protect colours from fading in the next wash.
- Make ironing easier

See page xx of "Solving Laundry Mysteries" part of this booklet for more information on Fabric Softeners



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## How can I speed up the drying process when I need something in a hurry?

**Treatment:** Select the items you need to dry and add one or two clean/dry bath towels as you put them in the Dryer. The towels will help absorb some of the moisture and make the drying process quicker.

## I left my clothes too long in the dryer and they're full of wrinkles.

**Prevention:** Place a dampened clean towel alongside your clothes in the Dryer. Let the load run through another cycle and the added moisture from the towel should help to remove the wrinkles.

**Prevention:** Hotpoint Dryers have Crease Care options that helps prevent wrinkles via an automatic movement of the drum after the end of the cycle.

## Why is it taking longer for a load to dry than it used to do?

**Cause:** The fluff filter probably needs cleaning. During every cycle tiny particles of fabric are released in the hot air of the Dryer and collect in the filter.

**Prevention:** Clean the fluff filter regularly (preferably after each use) and this will help your Dryer to run more efficiently. Refer to your Hotpoint User Manual for more details on how to do this.



### Hot Tip

Remember to use your Dryer on the right settings as this can help reduce the amount of creases and help with less ironing. Hotpoint Dryers have special **Crease Care** options that help prevent wrinkles.

### Hot Tip

To help with your ironing use the automatic **Iron Dry** level. This is a very delicate drying cycle with a residual humidity level which is ideal to help ironing.