

# Washer Quick Start Guide

We know you're excited about owning an ASKO washing machine and you're anxious to get started, so here is a brief summary of the operating procedures. To get the most of the features of your machine, we recommend that you read your *Use and Care Guide*.

## THE CONTROL PANEL

### Door Open Button

Press to open the glass door. Please note that the Program Control knob must be at the end of a program (at a red mark) to open the glass door.

### Economy Button

Press to extend the wash time by 22 minutes. (Suggested for use only with the low wash temperatures.)

### Temperature Control

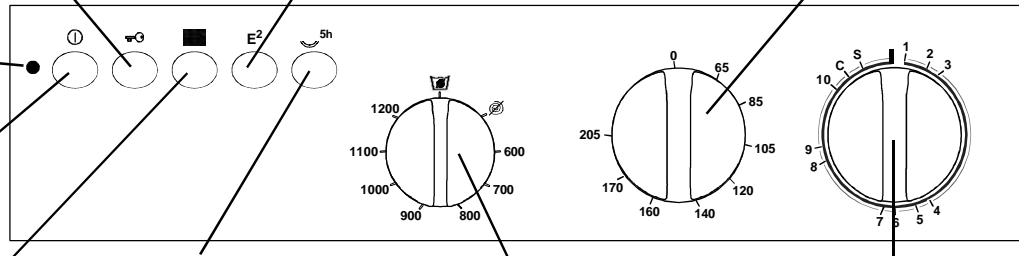
Turn clockwise to set the wash temperature.

### Power Indicator Light

Glows when the power is turned on.

### Power Button

Press to turn on power to the machine.



### Super Rinse Button

Press to program two additional rinses.

### Delay Start Button

Press to delay starting the program for five hours.

### Spin Speed Control

Turn clockwise to select the spin speed for the final spin.

### Program Control

Turn clockwise to select a program.

## Power Button

The Power button turns the power to the machine on and off. When the power is on, the power indicator light glows red. The power must be on before you can open the glass door, set the programs or start the machine.

## Door Open Button

The power must be on and you must press this button to open the glass door. There will be a few seconds delay before the door opens. Please note that the Program Control knob must be at the end of a program (at a red mark) to open the glass door. See also, "Interrupting or Changing a Program" on the next page.)

For instructions on how to open the door manually in case of power failure, refer to your *Use and Care Guide*.

## PROGRAMS AND OPTIONS

Your ASKO washer has several programs and options specifically designed to give you the cleanest laundry possible. The tables below define each program and option. The C and S on the Program Control are fault codes, which are explained on the next page.

Program Number	Program	Types of Laundry	Recommended Temp. Range (° F)
1	White cotton w/prewash	For heavily soiled cotton	140–205
2	White cotton w/short prewash	For normally soiled cotton	140–205
3	Normal	For lightly soiled cottons and colorfast fabrics	105–140
4	Rinse		
5	Long spin		
6	Permanent Press/Synthetics	For acrylic, polyester	105–140
7	Super quick wash	For lightly soiled fabrics	85–105
8	Short spin		
9	Wool/Hand wash	For silk, nylon, washable wool	85–105
10	Drain		

**CAUTION!** Some fabrics may not be able to withstand extremely hot temperatures. Refer to the Recommended Wash Temperatures chart in the *Use and Care Guide*.

Option	Definition
	<b>Super Rinse</b> – Provides two additional rinses. Recommended for persons with sensitive skin or allergies.
	<b>Economy</b> – Extends the main wash time by 22 minutes. When used with low wash temperatures (85°–100° F), this program conserves energy but gives the same high level of cleaning. <i>Note:</i> You can only use this option with programs 1, 2 and 3.
	<b>Delay Start</b> – Automatically delays starting the program for five hours.

## Spin Speed Control

In addition to the 600 rpm to 1200 rpm spin speed options, the Spin Speed Control has a No Spin/No Drain option () and a No Spin () option. These are for delicate fabrics that should not be spun dry.

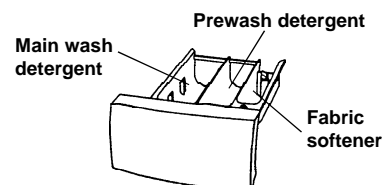
## QUICK START PROCEDURES

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1. Press the Power button (Ⓞ) to turn on the machine.
2. Press the Door Open button (Ⓜ) to open the door and load the wash. (The door will open in a few seconds.)
3. Check that the door is clear of laundry then close it firmly. (It won't shut if it's slammed.)
4. Pour the detergent and fabric softener into the proper compartments in the detergent drawer, as illustrated below. (Don't put detergent in the prewash compartment unless you plan to prewash.)
5. Close the drawer securely. (Do not slam it closed.)
6. Turn the Temperature Control knob to the desired wash temperature.
7. Set the Spin Speed Control knob to the desired rpm (optional).
8. Select program options, such as No Spin or Super rinse.
9. Turn the Program Control knob to the desired wash program. The machine will start.

## THE DETERGENT DRAWER

The detergent drawer on ASKO washers automatically dispenses the detergent and fabric softener at the appropriate times. The drawer is located to the left of the control panel. Simply pull the drawer out and pour the measured amounts of detergent and softener into the proper compartments (as illustrated) and close the drawer.



**NOTE:** We recommend that you don't use bleach in your ASKO washer.

The tumbling wash action, temperature control options and extended wash times are sufficient to remove most stains.

The detergent drawer is equipped with an optional child safety catch. (See your *Use and Care Guide*.)

## DETERGENT AND FABRIC SOFTENER AMOUNTS

Because ASKO washers use less water than conventional top-loading washers, you need less detergent and fabric softener. We recommend that you use a low-sudsing *powder* detergent only, preferably a high-efficiency (HE) detergent designed specifically for front-loading washers. (Liquid detergents tend to suds more, which make them more difficult to rinse out.)

**Detergent** – The amount of detergent needed varies, depending on the detergent you use. For high-efficiency detergent specifically for front-loading washers, you should use the amounts recommended by the manufacturer. For regular laundry detergent, **1 to 3 tablespoons of detergent is all you need for a normal wash load**. More heavily soiled items, however, may need slightly more detergent. Also, the amount of detergent needed can vary due to differences in water hardness. (Refer to the *Use and Care Guide* for more details.) If you choose to use a liquid detergent, start out with a very small amount, such as one or two tablespoons.

**Fabric Softener** – We recommend that you use only 2 tablespoons of fabric softener. If more softening is desired, try using slightly more with the next load.

## INTERRUPTING OR CHANGING A PROGRAM

If you need to stop or interrupt a program after you start the machine, turn the Program Control knob to 10 (Drain). Any water in the machine will be pumped out. Press the Door Open button to open the door. (It won't open until the water is out.) To restart the washer, close the door, add detergent (if needed), and turn the controls to the desired settings.

## FAULT CODES

The Program Control knob has two fault codes: C and S. If the knob stops on one of these, the machine detected a problem.

**C** – This indicates a problem that can probably be taken care of without calling a service technician.

**S** – This usually indicates a mechanical problem and a service call will be required.

Refer to the "Troubleshooting" section in your *Use and Care Guide* for more detailed information.

COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
1) Where do I put the fabric softener?	1) See illustration above.
2) Why does the machine run longer than my old top-loader?	2) One reason ASKO washers clean better than others is because they have longer wash cycles and extra rinses. Also, if the water entering the machine is exceptionally cold, it will take longer to heat, therefore increasing the cycle time.
3) The machine won't start.	3) a) Make sure the unit is securely plugged into the wall outlet. b) Be sure the Power button is pushed in and the indicator light is red. c) The door must be closed securely (but don't slam it). d) The Program Control knob may not be in the proper position for the beginning of a program. e) Check the house breaker and fuses.
4) The machine won't spin.	4) Check the pin trap for an obstruction blocking the pump or outlet hose.
5) The door won't open.	5) See "Door Open" on the previous page and Answer 3 above.

(For more troubleshooting issues, refer to the "Troubleshooting" section in your *Use and Care Guide*.)