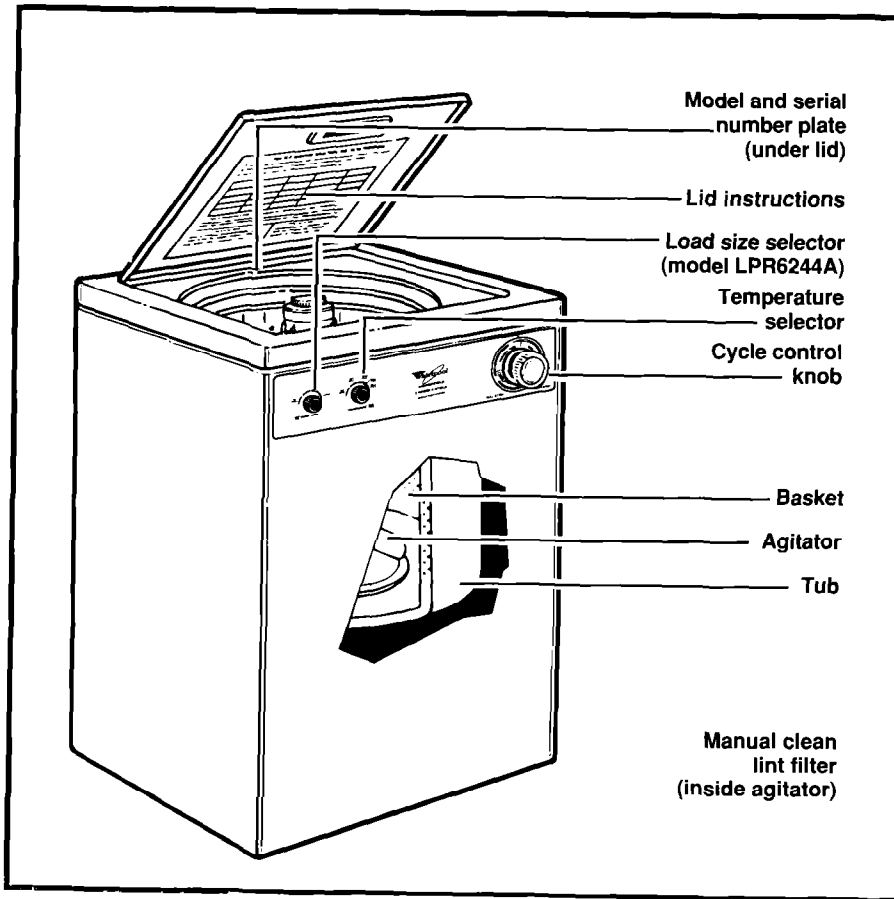




# Use & Care Guide



**COMPACT TWO SPEED  
AUTOMATIC WASHER  
LPR6244A LPR4231A**

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The drawings in this book may vary slightly from your washer model. They are designed to show the different features of all models covered by this book.

**NOTE:** Your model may not include all features shown.

If your washer has a Consumer Buy Guide label, remove it. It will be easier to remove before the washer is used.

To remove any remaining glue:

- Rub briskly with thumb to make a ball, then remove.  
or
- Soak area with liquid hand dishwashing detergent before removing glue as described above.

Do not use sharp instruments, rubbing alcohol, flammable fluids or abrasive cleaners. These can damage the finish. See "Important Safety Instructions" on page 3.

Thank you for buying a Whirlpool appliance. Please complete and mail the Owner Registration Card provided with this product. Then complete the form below. Have this information ready if you need service or call with a question.

- Copy model and serial numbers from plate (under lid near hinge) and the purchase date from the sales slip.
- Keep this book, the Laundry Guide and the sales slip together in a handy place.

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**Model Number**

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**Serial Number**

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**Purchase Date**

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**Service Company Phone Number**

# Important Safety Instructions

## **⚠ WARNING**

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

- **Read all instructions before using the washer.**
  - **NEVER** wash items cleaned, washed, soaked in or spotted with wax, paint, gasoline, or flammable fluids in the washer. The fumes can create a **FIRE HAZARD** or **EXPLOSION**. **ALWAYS** hand launder and air dry fabrics containing these materials.
  - **NEVER** allow children to operate, play with, or crawl inside the washer. *Close supervision of children is necessary when the washer is used near children.*
  - When discarding an old washer, **ALWAYS** remove the lid to prevent accidental entrapment.
  - **DO NOT** reach into the washer basket while it is filling with water, while agitator is moving or while basket is spinning. If the lid is opened while the basket is spinning, the basket will automatically stop in a few seconds.
  - **DO NOT** tamper with controls.
  - **NEVER** use or store flammable fluids (dry-cleaning solvents, kerosene) in or near your washer. **DO NOT** add flammable fluids to the wash water.
- These substances give off vapors that can create a **FIRE HAZARD** or **EXPLOSION**.
- If hot water has not been used recently (usually 2 weeks or longer), hydrogen gases may build up in the water heater and the hot water pipes. **HYDROGEN GAS IS EXPLOSIVE**. To prevent injury or damage, before using your washer, turn on all hot water faucets and allow water to run for several minutes. This will allow gases to escape. **DO NOT** smoke or use any open flame near the faucet while it is open.
- **You are responsible for making sure that your washer:**
    - is installed, repaired, and has parts replaced by a qualified person.
    - is properly installed and leveled on a floor that can support the weight.\*
    - is connected to the correct 3-prong outlet, electric supply, water supply and drain.\*
    - is properly grounded.\*
    - is properly maintained.\*
    - is protected from the weather and kept where the temperature will not fall below freezing.

\*See the Installation Instructions.

– SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS –

## Additional safety instructions and your responsibilities

- **ALWAYS** store detergent, laundry aids and other materials in a cool, dry place where children can't reach them—in a locked cabinet if possible.
- **ALWAYS** read and follow instructions on packages of detergents and laundry aids—especially warnings and precautions.
- **HAZARDOUS FUMES** can form if chlorine bleach is used in the same wash as ammonia or acids such as vinegar or rust remover.
- **ALWAYS** unplug the power supply cord before attempting to service the washer.
- **DO NOT** machine wash glass fiber materials. Small particles can stick to fabrics washed in following loads and cause skin irritation.
- **You are responsible for making sure that your washer:**
  - is used only for jobs normally expected of home automatic washers.
  - is not run by children or anyone unable to operate it properly.

# Washer Connections

Model LPR6244A

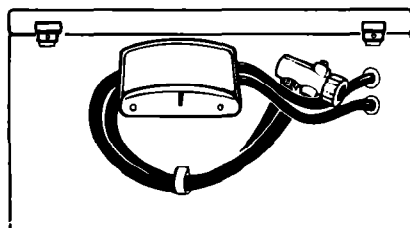
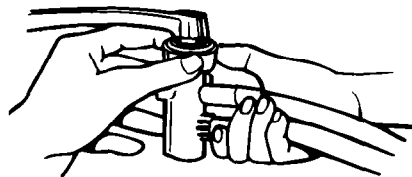
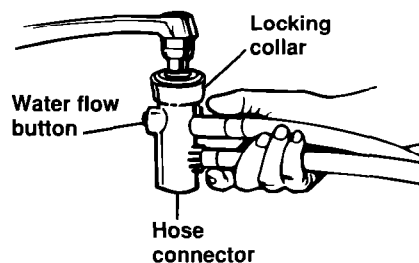
## Permanent installation

This washer can be converted from portable to permanent. Instructions for permanent installation come with the washer.

You will need two fill hoses, one drain hose and four leveling legs. These can be purchased from your Whirlpool Dealer (Kit #285418).

## Portable one faucet connection

Use the hose connector provided with the washer for a one faucet connection. See page 5 for a portable two faucet connection.



### To connect washer:

- Lift the hoses off the storage rack on the back of the washer.
- Attach the hose connector to the faucet adapter by pulling down on the locking collar while lifting up on the connector until it snaps into place.
- **Slowly** turn on the water faucet all the way.
- Pull the electrical power cord from the storage area in the back of the washer. Plug the power cord into a 3-prong grounded outlet.

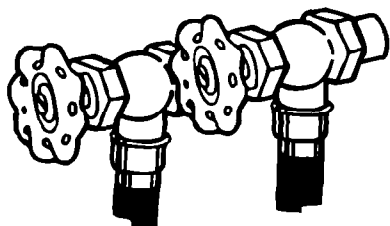
### To disconnect washer:

- Unplug the electrical power cord and put it back in its storage area.
- Turn the water faucet off.
- Press the red Water Flow Button to release the water pressure.
- Move the locking collar down and pull the hose connector down to disengage from the faucet adapter.
- Drain water from the hoses through the hose connector.
- Hang the hoses on the storage rack.

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## Portable two faucet connections

If you have two separate water connections, your washer can be connected to both the hot and cold water faucets using Kit #285418. This kit can be purchased from your Whirlpool Dealer.



### Connecting the washer:

- Connect the hot and cold water inlet hoses to the hot and cold faucets.
- Secure the drain hose to the sink or standpipe.
- Plug the power cord into a 3-prong grounded outlet.

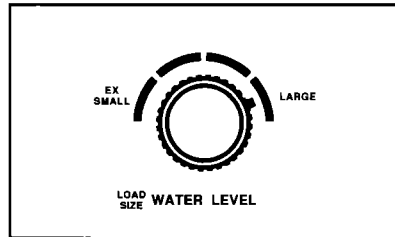
### To disconnect the washer:

- Turn water faucets off.
- Unplug power cord and return it to the storage area.
- Disconnect the drain and water supply hoses. Hang them on the storage rack.

# Operating Instructions

## Starting your washer

Be sure to measure and add detergent, then place a sorted load in the washer before starting it.



Model LPR6244A

### 1. Select a load size

#### For model LPR6244A:

- Turn the knob to point at a setting that describes the size of load you want to wash.
- The knob can be set anywhere on or between EX SMALL (a few small items) and LARGE (a full load).

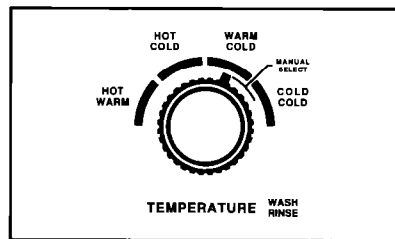
**NOTE:** For best washing results, items should move freely in the washer. Do not overload the washer or choose a water level that is too low for your wash load.

For best results with permanent press clothes, use the LARGE water level.

Reduce wash time when using the EX SMALL water level setting. Loads with only a few small items need less wash time for best results.

#### For model LPR4231A:

Load size water level selection is not available on this model. The water level is preset for a full fill.



Model LPR6244A

### 2. Select water temperature

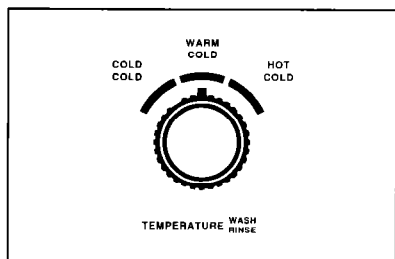
#### For models LPR4231A and LPR6244A with permanent or two faucet water connection:

- Match the water temperature to the type of fabric and soils being washed.
- The top temperature is the wash selection and the bottom temperature is the rinse selection.

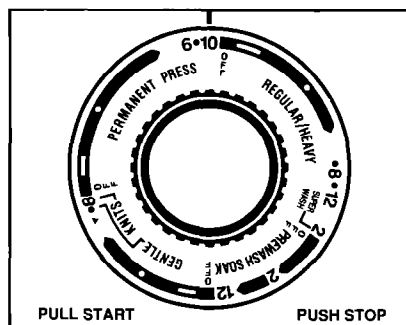
**NOTE:** Use warm wash water with the PERMANENT PRESS or GENTLE KNITS cycles.

For heavily soiled permanent press or knit clothes, prewash or pre-soak before washing in warm water.

ALWAYS use cold rinse water for permanent press fabrics.



Model LPR4231A



**For model LPR6244A, one faucet washer connection:**

- Set Temperature knob to MANUAL SELECT. (This allows you to adjust the water temperatures at the faucet.)
- See pages 8-9 for details on changing water temperatures at the faucet.

**3. Select cycle and wash time  
Start the washer**

- Push in the Cycle Control Knob and turn it clockwise.
- Stop when the indicator points to the number in the wash cycle you want. The numbers are minutes of wash time.
- Start the washer by pulling out the Cycle Control Knob. The washer will fill to the selected water level with the selected wash water temperature. The washer will begin agitating immediately after filling. Agitation can occur with the washer lid up or down.
- To stop the washer at any time, push in the Cycle Control Knob. To restart the washer, pull out the Cycle Control Knob.

**What happens in each cycle**

Each cycle has been designed for different kinds of fabrics.

When the Cycle Control Knob is set to a number and pulled out, the washer fills before agitation and timing starts. After agitation starts, the knob turns clockwise until it points to OFF and the cycle ends.

The washer will pause briefly throughout each cycle. These pauses are normal for washer operation.

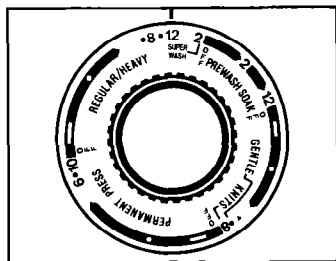
**Gentle Wash System**

For better fabric care in the REGULAR/HEAVY and PERMANENT PRESS cycles, the agitation speed is reduced during the last few minutes of wash agitation time.

## Operating Instructions Continued

### Regular/Heavy Cycle

A cycle for sturdily constructed fabrics that are moderately to heavily soiled.



**FILL** to Selected Level

**WASH** 2 Minutes High Speed

**WASH** 10 Minutes Low Speed

**DRAIN** No Agitation

**SPIN** High Speed

**FILL** for Rinse

**RINSE** High Speed

**RINSE** Low Speed

**DRAIN** No Agitation

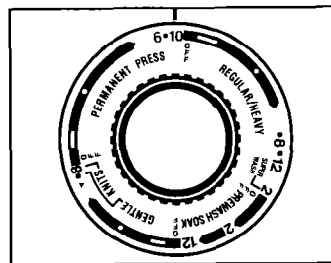
**SPIN** High Speed, Spray Rinse

#### NOTE:

- If using a one faucet connection, adjust faucet for rinse water temperature before **FILL** for rinse.
- Always use cold rinse water for permanent press fabrics.

### Permanent Press

A cycle designed for lightly to moderately soiled permanent press and some synthetic fabrics. The cool-down rinse helps keep wrinkles from setting into these items.



**FILL** to Selected Level

**WASH** 2 Minutes High Speed

**WASH** 8 Minutes Low Speed

**PARTIAL DRAIN** (Pause)

**REFILL COOL-DOWN**

**WASH** Low Speed

**DRAIN** No Agitation

**SPIN** Low Speed, Spray Rinse

**FILL** for Rinse

**RINSE** Low Speed

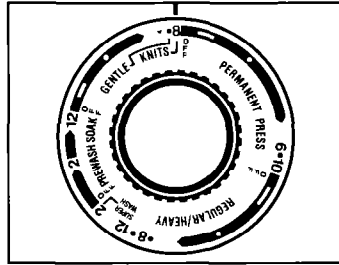
**DRAIN** No Agitation

**SPIN** Low Speed



### Gentle Knits

A cycle that gently washes and spins lightly to moderately soiled delicate items and washable knits.



<b>FILL</b>	to Selected Level
<b>WASH</b>	4 Minutes Low Speed
<b>▲SOAK</b>	2 Minutes No Agitation
<b>WASH</b>	2 Minutes Low Speed
<b>DRAIN</b>	No Agitation
<b>SPIN</b>	Low Speed, Spray Rinses
<b>FILL</b>	for Rinse
<b>RINSE</b>	Low Speed
<b>DRAIN</b>	No Agitation
<b>SPIN</b>	Low Speed

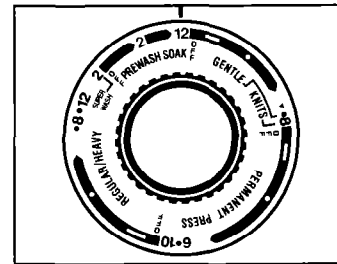
▲ Indicates that machine is pausing for a brief soak period.

#### NOTE:

- If using a one faucet connection, adjust faucet for rinse water temperature before **FILL** for rinse.
- Always use cold rinse water for permanent press fabrics.

### Soak or Prewash Cycles Model LPR6244A

Brief periods of agitation and soak time help remove heavy soils and certain stains that need extra pretreatment. Use recommended amount of detergent or pre-soak additive. The Soak and Prewash cycles should always be followed by a wash cycle.



<b>FILL</b>	to Selected Level
<b>WASH</b>	2 Minutes High Speed
<b>SOAK</b>	8 Minutes (No Agitation)
<b>WASH</b>	2 Minutes High Speed
<b>DRAIN</b>	No Agitation
<b>SPIN</b>	High Speed
<b>WASHER STOPS</b>	Select Wash Cycle

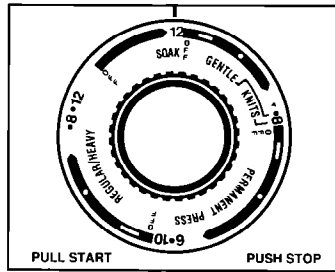
#### NOTE:

- The Prewash setting starts the washer at the second wash period.
- Special care is needed when soaking or prewashing laundry. See the Laundry Guide for soaking tips.

## Operating Instructions Continued

### Soak Cycle Model LPR4231A

Brief periods of agitation and soak time help remove heavy soils and certain stains that need extra pretreatment. Use recommended amount of detergent or pre-soak additive. The Soak cycle should always be followed by a wash cycle.



**FILL** to Selected Level

**WASH** 2 Minutes High Speed

**SOAK** 8 Minutes (No Agitation)

**WASH** 2 Minutes High Speed

**DRAIN** No Agitation

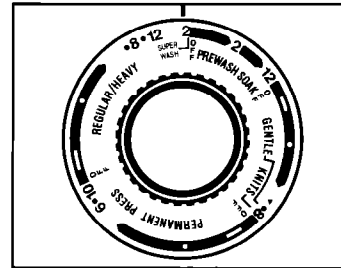
**SPIN** High Speed

**WASHER STOPS** Select Wash Cycle

**NOTE:** Special care is needed when soaking or prewashing laundry. See the Laundry Guide for soaking tips.

### Super Wash Cycle Model LPR6244A

Use for washing heavily soiled loads that require maximum soil removal. Double the amount of detergent recommended when using the Super Wash cycle.



**FILL** to Selected Level

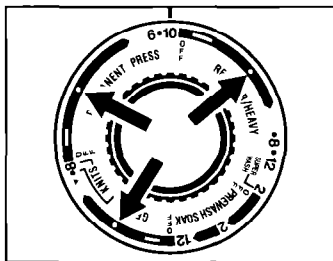
**WASH** 2 Minutes High Speed

**PARTIAL DRAIN** No Agitation

**REFILL** to Selected Level

After the partial drain, the washer automatically refills and goes into the Regular/Heavy cycle. Be sure to use enough detergent for the double wash.

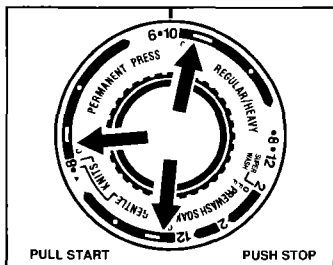
# Other Operating Instructions



## Rinse and spin

When using extra detergent for heavily soiled clothes, or washing special-care items, you may want an extra rinse and spin.

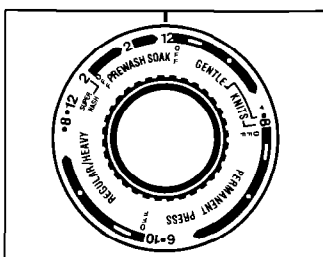
1. Push Cycle Control Knob in.
2. Turn clockwise to one of the dots on the dial, as illustrated.
3. Pull Cycle Control Knob out. The washer will fill to selected level, agitate 2 minutes, drain and spin.



## Drain and spin

A drain and spin may help shorten drying times for some heavy fabrics or special-care items by removing excess water.

1. Push Cycle Control Knob in.
2. Turn clockwise until indicator points to any bar just before an OFF area on the dial, as illustrated.
3. Pull Cycle Control Knob out. The washer will drain and spin.

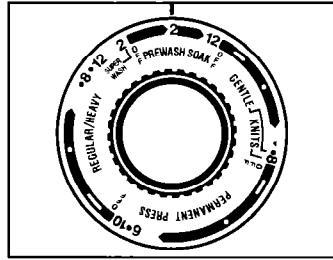


## Soak cycle

For best results, use warm water for soaking stained laundry. Hot water can set stains.

1. Use recommended amount of pre-soak product or detergent.
2. Push Cycle Control Knob in.
3. Turn clockwise to point to a number next to SOAK.
4. Pull the Cycle Control Knob out. The washer will start.
5. When the cycle is over, add detergent for the next selected wash cycle. The Soak cycle should always be followed by a wash cycle.

**NOTE:** See the Laundry Guide for additional soaking tips.



## Prewash cycle

### Model LPR6244A

For best results, use warm water for prewashing stained laundry. Hot water can set stains.

1. Use recommended amount of pre-soak product or detergent.
2. Push Cycle Control Knob in.
3. Turn clockwise to point to a number next to PREWASH.
4. Pull the Cycle Control Knob out. The washer will start.
5. When the cycle is over, add detergent for the next selected wash cycle. The Prewash cycle should be followed by a wash cycle.

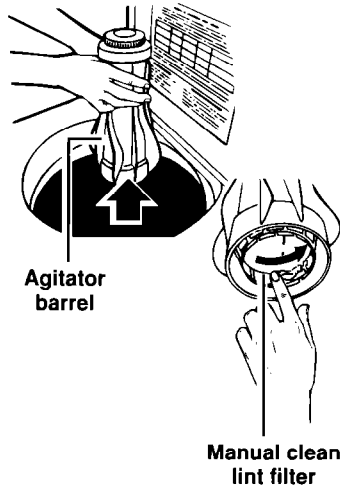
**NOTE:** See the Laundry Guide for additional prewashing or soaking tips.

## Manual clean lint filter

Clean the filter at the bottom of the agitator after every load for the best filtering results.

### To clean:

1. Lift off the agitator barrel.
2. Wash or wipe the filter clean in the bottom of the agitator barrel. The filter is not removable.
3. Replace the agitator barrel and snap it into place.



Agitator  
barrel

Manual clean  
lint filter

# If You Need Service Or Assistance

**We suggest you follow these steps:**

## 1. Before calling for assistance ...

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

### If your washer does not fill:

- Is the power supply cord plugged into a live circuit with the proper voltage?
- Are both water faucets open?
- Have you checked your home's main fuses or circuit breaker box?
- Are the water supply hoses kinked?
- Is the Cycle Control Knob set and pulled out?

### If your washer does not spin:

- Is the lid closed?
- Is the power supply cord plugged into a live circuit with the proper voltage?
- Have you checked your home's main fuses or circuit breaker box?

### If your washer stops during a cycle:

- The washer pauses briefly at different times in each cycle. These pauses are normal.

### If your washer fills and drains without running:

- Make sure that the Cycle Control Knob is pointing to a number in the cycle.

### Make sure the drain hose is higher than the water level in the washer. If it isn't:

- The washer may seem to be draining during wash and rinse cycles.
- Water can siphon out.  
(See Installation Instructions.)

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

**Call Whirlpool Consumer Assistance Center telephone number. Dial free from anywhere in the U.S.:**

**1-800-253-1301**

and talk with one of our trained consultants. The consultant can instruct you in how to obtain satisfactory operation from your appliance or, if service is necessary, recommend a qualified service company in your area.

If you prefer, write to:

Mr. William Clark  
Consumer Assistance Representative  
Whirlpool Corporation  
2000 M-63  
Benton Harbor, MI 49022

Please include a daytime phone number in your correspondence.

## 3. If you need service\* ...



Whirlpool has a nationwide network of authorized Whirlpool<sup>SM</sup> service companies.

Whirlpool service technicians are trained to fulfill the product warranty and provide after-warranty service, anywhere in the United States. To locate the authorized Whirlpool service company in your area, call our Consumer Assistance Center telephone number (see Step 2) or look in your telephone directory Yellow Pages under:

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MAJOR - SERVICE & REPAIR      MAJOR - REPAIRING & PARTS

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**OTHER OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS • IF YOU NEED SERVICE OR ASSISTANCE**

## If You Need Service Or Assistance Continued

### 4. If you need FSP® replacement parts\*...

FSP is a registered trademark of Whirlpool Corporation for quality parts. Look for this symbol of quality whenever you need a replacement part for your Whirlpool appliance. FSP replacement parts will fit right and work right, because they are made to the same exacting specifications used to build every new Whirlpool appliance.

To locate FSP replacement parts in your area, refer to Step 3 or call the Whirlpool Consumer Assistance Center number in Step 2.

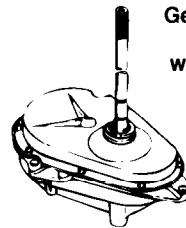
### 5. If you are not satisfied with how the problem was solved\*...

- Contact the Major Appliance Consumer Action Panel (MACAP). MACAP is a group of independent consumer experts that voices consumer views at the highest levels of the major appliance industry.
- Contact MACAP only when the dealer, authorized servicer and Whirlpool have failed to resolve your problem.

Major Appliance Consumer  
Action Panel  
20 North Wacker Drive  
Chicago, IL 60606

- MACAP will in turn inform us of your action.

\*When requesting assistance, please provide: model number, serial number, date of purchase, and a complete description of the problem. This information is needed in order to better respond to your request.



**Gearcase assembly  
covered by your  
warranty. See back  
cover for more  
information.**



# WHIRLPOOL®

## Automatic Washer Warranty

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LENGTH OF WARRANTY	WHIRLPOOL WILL PAY FOR
<b>FULL ONE-YEAR WARRANTY</b> From Date of Purchase	FSP® replacement parts and repair labor to correct defects in materials (including top and lid rust) or workmanship. Service must be provided by an authorized Whirlpool <sup>SM</sup> service company.
<b>LIMITED FIVE-YEAR WARRANTY</b> From Date of Purchase	FSP replacement parts for any part of gearcase assembly if defective in materials or workmanship. The gearcase assembly is shown in the "Service or Assistance" section of this book.  FSP replacement parts for any top and lid rust.
<b>LIMITED TEN-YEAR WARRANTY</b> From Date of Purchase	FSP replacement of outer tub should it crack, or fail to contain water, due to defective materials or workmanship.
WHIRLPOOL WILL NOT PAY FOR	
<p><b>A.</b> Service calls to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Correct the installation of the washer.</li> <li>2. Instruct you how to use the washer.</li> <li>3. Replace house fuses or correct house wiring or plumbing.</li> </ol> <p><b>B.</b> Repairs when washer is used in other than normal, single-family household use.</p> <p><b>C.</b> Pickup and delivery. This product is designed to be repaired in the home.</p> <p><b>D.</b> Damage to washer caused by accident, misuse, fire, flood, acts of God or use of products not approved by Whirlpool.</p> <p><b>E.</b> Any labor costs during the limited warranties.</p> <p><b>F.</b> Repairs to parts or systems caused by unauthorized modifications made to the appliance.</p>	

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If you need service, first see the "Service and Assistance" section of this book. After checking "Service and Assistance," additional help can be found by calling our Consumer Assistance Center telephone number, **1-800-253-1301**, from anywhere in the U.S.

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