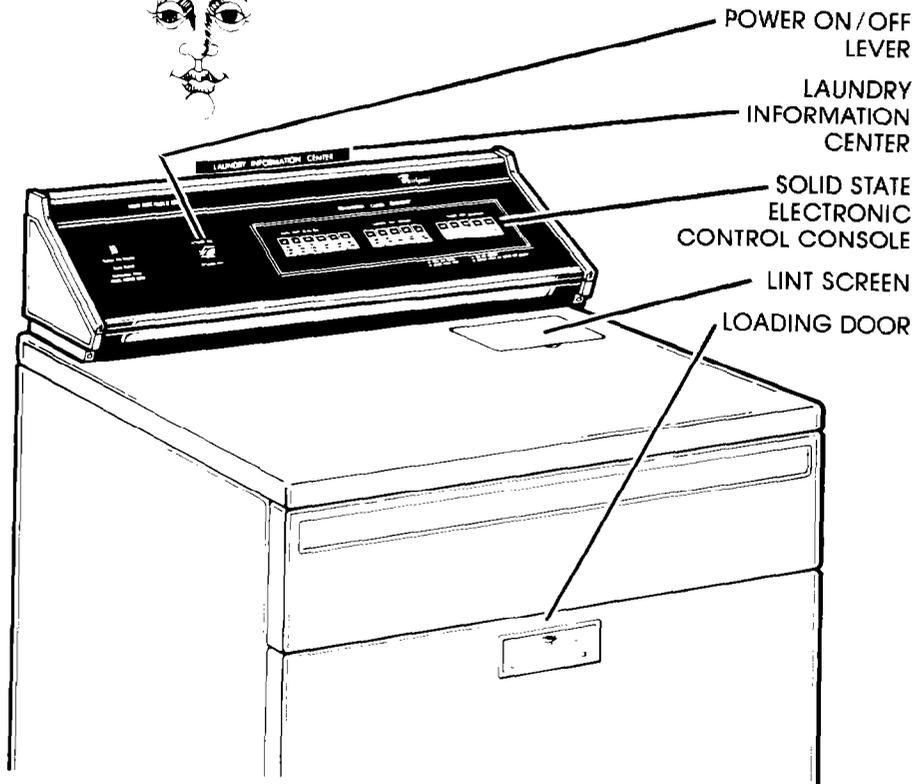


**SOLID STATE Mark II Series
ELECTRONIC TOUCH CONTROL
Models LE9800XK and LG9801XK**



Whirlpool DRYER

Use & Care Guide



Copy your Model and Serial Numbers here

If you ever need to call for service, you will need to give the Model and Serial Numbers. Your dryer has these numbers on a plate behind the door.

Copy the numbers in these spaces. Keep this book in the Laundry Information Center with your *Dryer Guide*, sales slip and warranty.

Model No. _____

Serial No. _____

Purchase Installation Date _____

Before using your Dryer

Please read this booklet to be sure your dryer is installed and used properly. It will help you get the best results and longest life your dryer was designed to give.

You are personally responsible for making sure that your dryer...

- Is installed by a qualified installer
- Is properly installed and leveled in a well ventilated room on a floor that can support the weight
- Is connected to the right kind of outlet electric supply and grounding
- Is properly connected to fuel and exhaust systems
- Is used only for jobs normally expected of home clothes dryers
- Is properly maintained
- Is out of the weather
- Is not run where there may be explosive fumes
- Is not used by children or anyone unable to operate it properly

Remove the Consumer Buy Guide label before using your dryer. It will be easier to remove.

Wipe out the drum with a damp cloth to remove any dust.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: See the **Dryer Guide for drying tips, information about permanent press and knits, instructions for drying special items and for things not to be dried in your dryer.**

See the Installation Instructions for complete information.

FOR YOUR SAFETY

If you smell gas:

1. Open windows
2. Don't touch electrical switches
3. Extinguish any open flame
4. Immediately call your gas supplier.

SAFETY FIRST:

To prevent serious injury, **DO NOT** allow children to operate, play with, or crawl inside the dryer.

FOR YOUR SAFETY

Do not store or use gasoline or other flammable vapors and liquids in the vicinity of this or any other appliance.

SAFETY

Never operate your dryer without replacing all panels (lower front, access or service).

Please read this manual. Follow the instructions to help you get the best drying results. Save the manual for future use.

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Loading your Dryer



For best drying results and energy savings, sort dryer loads carefully.

Separate loads according to the type of fabric and weight. For example:

- Dry heavy fabric (bed linens, towels, cottons) separately from light fabrics (permanent press, synthetics).
- Separate lint-givers (towels, sweat-shirts, etc.) from lint-takers (synthetics, blends, permanent press).
- Keep dark colors and light colors separate.
- Keep colorfast items away from non-colorfast fabrics.

Allow room for items to tumble freely. The load will dry faster with fewer wrinkles.

When drying permanent press, **dry smaller-than-normal** loads for the best wrinkle removal.

Use a mesh bag to hold small items such as baby socks.

Read the Dryer Guide for more hints on sorting and loading.



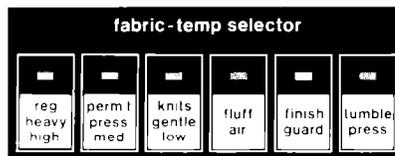
Understanding your Dryer

This dryer is different from ones you may have used before. It has Solid State Controls that automatically run the dryer the way most loads are dried. You only have to make a time selection for special loads (like fluffing pillows).

For example, this dryer has a feature called **CUSTOM DRY CONTROL**. A sensor in the dryer "feels" the laundry items and shuts off the heat when the load "feels" about as dry as your choice.



Your dryer also has an automatic **FINISH GUARD** Control. If you don't remove a load within five minutes after the dryer stops, **FINISH GUARD** Control will tumble the clothes without heat every five minutes.



This *Use & Care Guide* contains suggestions on the way to use your dryer to get the best results and longest useful life from your dryer. Please read it carefully.

Using your Dryer

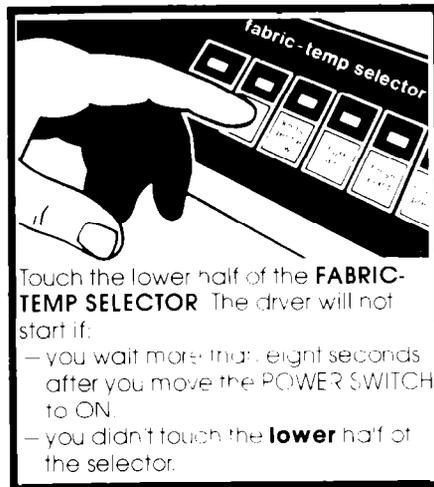
1. Put the sorted load in the dryer and close the door tightly.

2. Move the POWER SWITCH to ON.

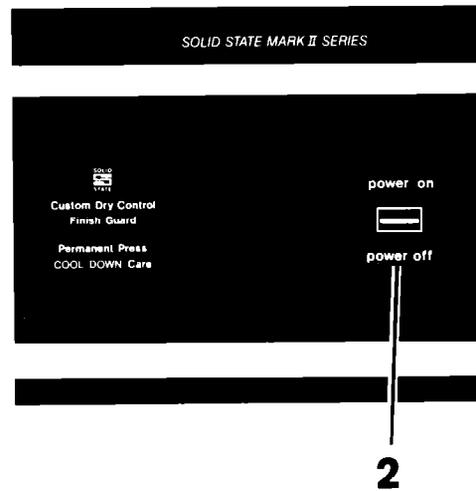
- You now have eight seconds to touch one of four **FABRIC-TEMP SELECTORS**.
- The four **FABRIC-TEMP SELECTOR** lights will blink in sequence. Select one of them by touching the lower half of it.
- **FINISH GUARD** and **NORMAL DRY** lights will come on automatically (See steps 4 and 6.)

3. Touch the FABRIC-TEMP SELECTOR you want for the kind of load you have in the dryer.

- You can touch **REG HEAVY HIGH** for regular or heavy fabrics and a high temperature; **PERM'T PRESS MED** for permanent press fabrics or things that need a medium temperature; **KNITS GENTLE LOW** for delicate fabrics and a low temperature; **FLUFF AIR** for tumbling things without heat (see page 7); or **TUMBLE PRESS** (see step 5).



- When you touch a **FABRIC-TEMP SELECTOR**, the light will stop blinking and stay on.
- The lights will blink for only eight seconds. If you don't select a fabric temperature in that time, a signal will beep and the dryer will turn off.



- If the dryer turns off, start over again from step 2.

4. FINISH GUARD® Control

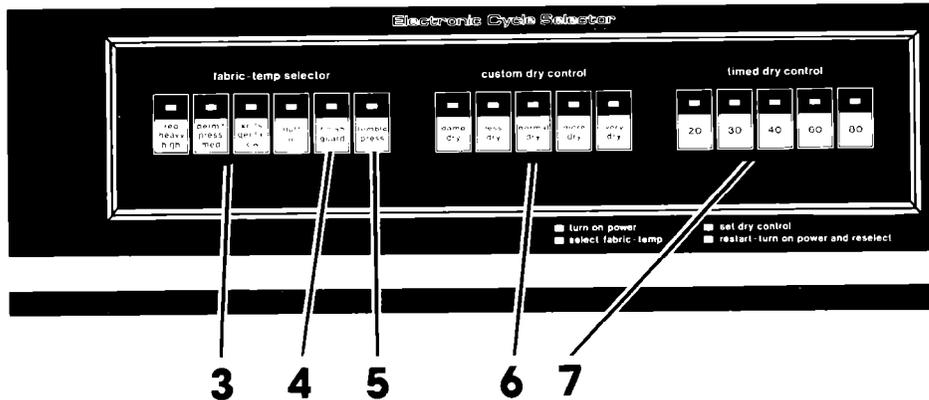
- If you don't remove the load from the dryer at the end of a drying cycle, the **FINISH GUARD** option will tumble the load every five minutes, without heat. (See page 8 for details.)
- Touch **FINISH GUARD** **only if you don't want** the **FINISH GUARD** Control to tumble the load after drying is done.
- The **FINISH GUARD** option can be selected or eliminated anytime during the drying cycle.

5. TUMBLE PRESS® Control

- To use **TUMBLE PRESS**, move the **POWER SWITCH** to **ON**. Touch **TUMBLE PRESS**.
- **TUMBLE PRESS** is 15 minutes of tumbling at the medium fabric temperature, and 5 minutes of tumbling without heat.
- Use this cycle for freshening dry items that are wrinkled from storing in suitcases or cramped closets.
- Touch **FINISH GUARD** if you **don't** want it to follow Tumble Press.

6. CUSTOM DRY CONTROL

- With this control, you don't need to guess *how much time* you need to dry a load. The **CUSTOM DRY CONTROL** lets you choose *how dry* you want the load to be.
- If you choose a temperature, but not a time, the dryer will automatically select **NORMAL DRY**.



- You may want some loads to be LESS DRY or MORE DRY than normal. See page 6 for hints
- Find the **CUSTOM DRY CONTROL** settings you like best for your loads. The sensor will help keep most loads to about the same dryness level.
- Touch the dryness setting you want after you touch a **FABRIC-TEMP SELECTOR**.

7. TIMED DRY CONTROL

- Sometimes you may want to set a time instead of letting the **CUSTOM DRY CONTROL** take over.
- After you touch a **FABRIC-TEMP SELECTOR**, touch the **TIMED DRY CONTROL** for the amount of time you want... 20, 30, 40, 60 or 80 minutes. See page 7 for more details

8. TO STOP THE DRYER

You can stop the dryer by opening the door or moving the POWER SWITCH to OFF.

- After moving the POWER SWITCH to OFF, you will need to reset all the controls to start the dryer again.

IMPORTANT

Opening the door while the dryer is running will erase all the settings...so will moving the POWER SWITCH to OFF.

If you stop the dryer while it is running and....

1. The load is still damp, close the door. Touch a **FABRIC-TEMP SELECTOR**; touch a **CUSTOM DRY CONTROL** to finish drying the load. (If you take out all but a few items, add dry lint-free towels for better tumbling of the load.)
2. The load is dry, but too hot to handle, close the door, move POWER SWITCH to ON, and touch FLUFF AIR. When the load has cooled enough to handle, remove it immediately.



SELECTING A DRYING TEMPERATURE

The chart below has suggested fabric loads and drying temperatures.

TYPE OF LOAD

FABRIC-TEMP SELECTOR

COTTONS

HEAVY – Bedspreads, mattress pads, quilts, towels, work clothes, denims REG/HEAVY-HIGH
MEDIUM AND LIGHTWEIGHT – Shirts, dresses, sheets, diapers REG HEAVY-HIGH

PERMANENT PRESS

HEAVY – Work clothes, jackets, raincoats, etc. PERMIT PRESS-MED
MEDIUMWEIGHT – Shirts, uniforms, dresses, slacks, etc. PERMIT PRESS-MED

KNITS

HEAVYWEIGHT – COTTONS, RAYONS, BLENDS – T-shirts, slacks, polo shirts, etc. KNITS GENTLE-LOW
LIGHTWEIGHT – SYNTHETIC FIBERS (polyester, acrylic, etc.) AND BLENDS – Lingerie, blouses, dresses, etc. KNITS GENTLE-LOW

DELICATELY CONSTRUCTED FABRICS – Sheer curtains (2 or 3 panels) KNITS GENTLE-LOW

FOAM RUBBER ARTICLES FLUFF AIR

To leave a load slightly damp for ironing, select the DAMP DRY setting.

MIXED LOADS

If you dry a load with mixed weights of a fabric, use the **FABRIC-TEMP SELECTOR** for the lightest one. When the dryer stops, take out the dry items and restart the dryer.

CUSTOM DRY CONTROL

If you use one of the **CUSTOM DRY CONTROL** selections (VERY DRY, MORE DRY, NORMAL DRY, LESS DRY or DAMP DRY), the dryer will run until the selected dryness is reached. There is no need to set a time.

As the load tumbles, the items touch a sensor on the back of the dryer drum. This sensor "feels" the amount of moisture in the load. The dryer shuts off when the load is about as dry as the setting you picked on the **CUSTOM DRY CONTROL** panel.



During the last few minutes, the load is tumbled without heat. This cool-down helps keep wrinkles from setting in and makes handling the dry items more comfortable.

Any **CUSTOM DRY CONTROL** selection will have up to 10 minutes of cool-down before the dryer stops.

The length of the cool-down time depends on the size of the load and how long it has been drying.

SUGGESTIONS:

- If you do not touch a **CUSTOM DRY** or **TIMED DRY CONTROL** selector, the dryer will automatically give you **NORMAL DRY**.
- For the first few loads you dry, use **NORMAL DRY**. When the dryer stops, check to see if the load is as dry as you want.
- If the load is too dry, you can use **LESS DRY** the next time, or **DAMP DRY** if you want to iron the clothes.
- If the load is not as dry as you like, use **MORE DRY** or **VERY DRY**.
- Bulky loads (bedspreads, blankets, quilts) will dry with better results if you use a **FABRIC-TEMP CONTROL** and a **TIMED DRY CONTROL** setting. (Start with 60 minutes.)
- For best drying results and the most wrinkle-free items, use the **CUSTOM DRY CONTROL** for most loads.

FLUFF AIR

When you move the POWER SWITCH to ON and touch FLUFF AIR, you get 20 minutes of tumbling without heat. To remind you of what will happen, the FLUFF AIR, FINISH GUARD and 20-minute lights will come on. (You can cancel FINISH GUARD by touching it.)

This setting is useful for fluffing bedding, pillows and clothing. Use it also for damp-drying heat-sensitive items.

Drying plastic or rubber items with heat may damage the items or be a fire hazard.

FLUFF AIR should be used for such items as plastic shower curtains or tablecloths, rubber-backed rugs, some pillows, stuffed toys, etc.

If you want more than 20 minutes of tumbling, touch FLUFF AIR and the **TIMED DRY CONTROL** for the amount of time you want (up to 80 minutes).

Setting Drying Times

Modern dryers are designed with drying temperatures needed to safely handle modern fabrics. Cool-down times have been added to heat settings. You might notice slightly longer drying times.

The time it takes to dry a load depends on:

- *The kind of fabric, its weight, and the size of the load.* A large load of jeans will take a lot longer to dry than a small load of light synthetics.
- *The amount of moisture in the load.* Towels hold a lot of moisture; synthetics don't. Synthetics dry faster.
- *Temperature of the rinse water.* Cold rinses help save on energy and wrinkles, but a cold load will take slightly longer to dry than a warm one.
- *Amount of lint on the screen.* A full lint screen slows the air flow and can make drying time longer.
- *Temperature around the dryer.* The dryer heats room air. If that air is cold, drying time will be longer.
- *Proper installation and exhaust systems.* For the fastest possible drying time, installing and exhausting your dryer properly is important. See installation instructions.

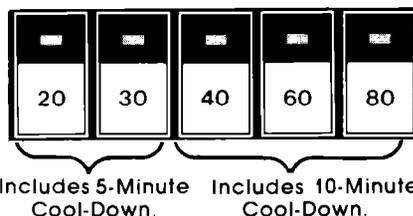
Be careful not to overdry. Over-drying can cause shrinkage, damage to some fabrics and static cling.

TIMED DRY CONTROL

Use a **TIMED DRY CONTROL** setting for any load you want to dry by time (for example, very small loads or large, bulky item loads).

- Touch a **FABRIC-TEMP CONTROL** setting.
- Touch the number of minutes you want: 20, 30, 40, 60 or 80.

Each **TIMED DRY CONTROL** setting has a cool-down time. That time depends on the setting:



TUMBLE PRESS® Control

When you move the POWER SWITCH to ON and touch TUMBLE PRESS, you get 15 minutes of tumbling at the medium fabric temperature, and 5 more minutes of tumbling without heat. To remind you of what will happen, the TUMBLE PRESS, FINISH GUARD and 20-minute lights will come on. (You can cancel FINISH GUARD by touching it.)

This setting is useful for freshening dry items that are wrinkled from packing in suitcases or closets.

For best results, TUMBLE PRESS only a few items at a time. Put them on hangers or fold them as soon as the dryer stops.

TUMBLE PRESS can't be combined with any other setting except FINISH GUARD. If you want longer tumbling, touch PERMIT PRESS-MED and the **TIMED DRY CONTROL** for the time you want.

FINISH GUARD® Control

When you are not able to unload the dryer as soon as it stops, wrinkles can set in.

Your dryer has a feature called FINISH GUARD. If you don't open the door within five minutes after the dryer stops, FINISH GUARD takes over automatically.

The FINISH GUARD Control tumbles the load, without heat, every five minutes. This tumbling rearranges and fluffs the load to help avoid wrinkles caused by a load sitting in a warm dryer.

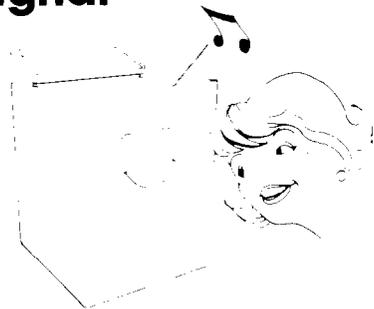
The end-of-cycle signal will beep after every FINISH GUARD tumbling. The tumbling will go on for 2½ hours unless you open the dryer door.

Indicator lights will stay on as long as FINISH GUARD is tumbling the load.

If you don't want the FINISH GUARD option at the end of the drying cycle, touch FINISH GUARD when you start the dryer (or anytime during a drying cycle).

If you touched FINISH GUARD to cancel it, and then change your mind, touch FINISH GUARD again.

End-of-Cycle Signal



A signal will beep five times to let you know that the dryer has stopped. It will not beep if you open the dryer door while the dryer is running.

The signal is helpful when you are drying permanent press, synthetics, and other items that really should be taken out as soon as the dryer stops.

The signal also beeps every time the FINISH GUARD Control tumbles the load. And it beeps if you turn the POWER SWITCH to ON and don't touch a FABRIC-TEMP SELECTOR within eight seconds.

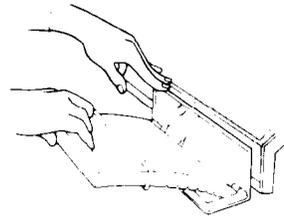
The signal can't be turned off and it is not adjustable.

Lint Screen

The lint screen is under the lid on top of the dryer.

Clean the lint screen before each load. A screen that's blocked by lint can cause longer drying times.

CAUTION: Do not operate the dryer with the lint screen removed or not securely in place as it may cause overheating, possible damage to fabrics and dryer parts or create a fire hazard.



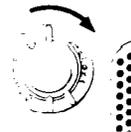
To remove the screen, open the lid and pull the screen straight out. Roll the lint off the screen with your fingers. **DO NOT rinse the screen or wash it.** Wet lint is hard to remove.

When replacing the screen, push it firmly into place. Close the lid.

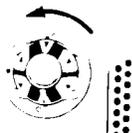
Drum Light

When the light inside the drum needs to be changed, you can reach it easily through the dryer door.

1. Unplug the dryer to avoid possible electrical shock.
2. Open the door and remove the light-bulb cover by turning it clockwise.



- Remove the light bulb by turning it counterclockwise.

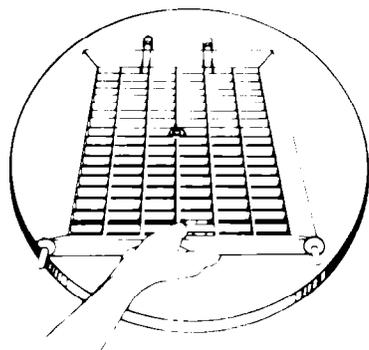


- Replace the bulb only with a 40 watt appliance bulb (from most hardware, grocery or variety stores).
- Replace the light-bulb cover and lock in place by turning counterclockwise.

CAUTION: The bulb cover must be securely in place during dryer operation to prevent overheating and possible damage to fabrics. Operating the dryer with the bulb cover removed can cause the dryer to fail or create a fire hazard.

Using the Drying Rack

The drying rack lets you dry items that you may not want to tumble, like sneakers, stuffed toys, etc.



- Fit the rear legs of the rack into the grooves on the back wall of the dryer. Push them in and let the front legs of the rack down on the front of the dryer as shown.
- Lay wet items on top of the rack. Allow space between them for air to move around.

- The rack does not move, but the drum turns. Be sure nothing hangs over the edges of the rack. **Do not hang items** from the rack.
- Close the door and move the POWER SWITCH to ON.
- Touch a **FABRIC-TEMP SELECTOR**.
- Touch a **TIMED DRY CONTROL** setting. Drying time selected will depend on how much moisture the items hold. Suggested drying temperatures are given in the following chart.
- To remove the rack, push it back, lift up and pull out.

Items for Rack Drying	Fabric-Temp Selector
1. Wool Socks (Block to shape and lay flat on rack.)	KNITS - GENTLE - LOW
2. Stuffed Toys (Cotton or polyester fiber filled.)	REG HEAVY-HIGH
3. Stuffed Toys (Foam rubber* filled.)	FLUFF AIR
4. Tennis Shoes	FLUFF AIR
5. Foam Rubber Pillows*	FLUFF AIR

*** Drying with heat may damage the foam rubber and will be a fire hazard.**

IMPORTANT: Take the rack out for normal tumble drying.



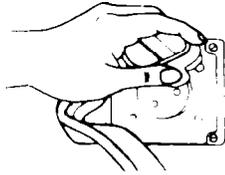
If You Need Service or Help, We Suggest You Follow These Three Steps:

1. Before calling for service¹ ...

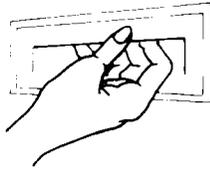
Problems are sometimes caused by little things you can correct without tools. Check this list before you call for service.

DRYER DOES NOT RUN

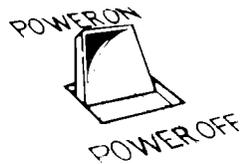
- Is electric power cord plugged in?



- Is the dryer door closed tightly? Your dryer has a switch by the door that shuts off the dryer if the door is opened.



- Did you move the POWER SWITCH to ON? And touch a **FABRIC-TEMP SELECTOR** within eight seconds?
- Check circuit breakers or fuses in the fuse box.



DRYER RUNS BUT DOES NOT HEAT

- Did you touch a **FABRIC-TEMP SELECTOR** other than FLUFF AIR?
- Is it a gas dryer? See if the gas is turned on. If not, move the POWER SWITCH to OFF. Turn on the gas and wait five minutes for the automatic switch to reset. Then try starting it again.
- Is it an electric dryer? Check the circuit breakers or fuses in the fuse box. An electric dryer will have two fuses. If one is blown, the dryer may run, but not heat.

DRYING TIME IS LONGER THAN USUAL:

- Check the lint screen. Remove lint. Keep the screen clean.
- Modern dryers are designed with drying temperatures needed to safely handle modern fabrics. Cool-down times have been added to heat settings. You might notice slightly longer drying times.

2. If you need service²:



If your WHIRLPOOL[®] appliance ever needs service anywhere in the United States, help is just a phone call away... to your nearest Whirlpool franchised TECH-CARE[™] service representative.

Whirlpool maintains a nationwide network of franchised TECH-CARE service companies to fulfill your warranty and provide after-warranty service and maintenance to keep your WHIRLPOOL appliance in peak condition.

You'll find your nearest TECH-CARE service company listed in your local telephone book Yellow Pages under Washers - Dryers - Repairing or Servicing. **Should you not find a listing, dial free, the Whirlpool COOL-LINE[®] service assistance telephone number (800) 253-1301. When calling from:**

Michigan (800) 632-2243
Alaska &
Hawaii (800) 253-1121

If you move... To make sure that your appliance is correctly installed and to insure its continued satisfactory operation, please telephone your nearest TECH-CARE[®] service company for installation or to get the name of a qualified installer. (Installation cost will, of course, be paid by you.)

Helpful hints... You can help your TECH-CARE service representative give you faster service if you include the model and serial number of your appliance when requesting service. Also, retain your sales slip and warranty to verify your warranty status.

Remember... Your TECH-CARE service representative is specially trained in the expert repairing and servicing of your WHIRLPOOL appliances. He can help you maintain the quality originally built into your WHIRLPOOL appliance. So why not take the time now to look up his telephone number and jot it down in the space provided on the cover.

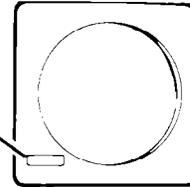
3. If you have a problem :

Call Whirlpool Corporation in Benton Harbor at the COOL-LINE service assistance telephone number (see Step 2) or write:

Mr. Stephen E. Upton, Vice President
Whirlpool Corporation
Administrative Center
2000 U.S. 33 North
Benton Harbor, Michigan 49022

If you must call or write, please provide your name, address, telephone number, type of appliance, brand, model, serial number, date of purchase, the dealer's name, and a complete description of the problem. This information is needed in order to better respond to your request for assistance.

Model and Serial Number Plate



IF YOU NEED SERVICE OR HELP





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