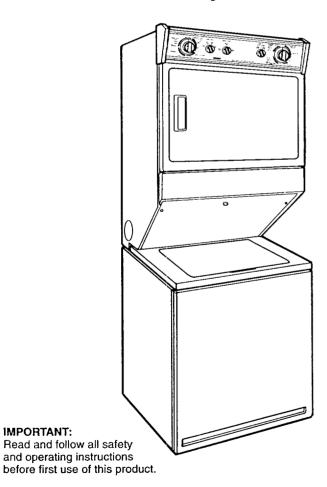
### **Owner's Manual and** Installation Instructions



27-Inch Wide – Large Capacity LAUNDRY CENTER Washer • Electric Dryer

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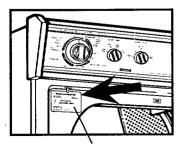
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### **BEFORE USING YOUR NEW LAUNDRY CENTER**

Please read this manual. It will help you install and operate your new Kenmore Laundry Center in the safest and most economical way.

If you need more information about the care and operation of Kenmore appliances call your nearest Sears store. You will need the complete model and serial numbers when requesting information. Your laundry center's model and serial numbers are located on the Model and Serial Number Plate.



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Model and Serial Number Plate Use the space below to record the model number and serial number of your new . Kenmore Laundry Center.

Model No. \_\_\_\_\_

Serial No.

Date of Purchase \_\_\_\_\_

Keep this book and your Sears Salescheck (receipt) in a safe place for future reference.

### SEARS LAUNDRY CENTER WARRANTY

#### Full One Year Warranty on Mechanical and Electrical Parts

For one year from the date of purchase, if this laundry center is installed and operated according to the instructions in this manual, Sears will repair or replace any of its mechanical or electrical parts if they are defective in material or workmanship.

**NOTE:** Exhausting your laundry center with a plastic vent may void this warranty. Pages 32-36 of this manual describe the complete exhaust requirements for this laundry center.

#### Limited Five Year Warranty on Gearcase Parts

After one year and until five years from the date of purchase, Sears will replace any gearcase parts that are defective in material or workmanship. You must pay the labor cost to have them installed.

#### Limited Ten Year Warranty on Plastic Tub

After one year and until ten years from the date of purchase, Sears will furnish a replacement plastic tub for any plastic tub that is defective in material or workmanship. You must pay the labor cost to have the plastic tub installed.

#### Warranty Restriction

If the laundry center is operated for any purpose other than Private Family Use, all warranty coverage is effective for only 90 days.

#### Warranty Service

Warranty service is available by contacting your nearest Sears Service Center in the United States.

This warranty applies only while this laundry center is in use in the United States.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

Sears, Roebuck and Co., Dept. 817WA, Hoffman Estates, IL 60179.

#### Your safety and the safety of others is 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 hazards that can kill or hurt you and others. All safety messages will be preceded by the safety alert symbol and the word "DANGER" or "WARNING." These words mean:



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



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

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All safety messages will identify the hazard, tell you how to reduce the chance of injury, and tell you what can happen if the instructions are not followed.



#### IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

#### YOUR SAFETY IS IMPORTANT TO US

**WARNING:** To reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury to persons when using your laundry center, follow basic precautions, including the following:

- Read all instructions before using the laundry center.
- Do not wash or dry articles that have been previously cleaned in, washed in, soaked in, or spotted with gasoline, drycleaning solvents, or other flammable or explosive substances as they give off vapors that could ignite or explode.
- Do not add gasoline, dry-cleaning solvents, or other flammable or explosive substances to the wash water. These substances give off vapors that could ignite or explode.
- Under certain conditions, hydrogen gas may be produced in a hot water system that has not been used for 2 weeks or more. HYDROGEN GAS IS EXPLOSIVE. If the hot water system has not been used for 2 or more weeks, turn on all hot water faucets and let the water flow from each for several minutes before using the washing machine. This will release any accumulated hydrogen gas. Because the gas is flammable, do not smoke or use an open flame during this time.
- Do not allow children to play on or in the laundry center. Close supervision of children is necessary when the laundry center is used near children.

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- Before the laundry center is removed from service or discarded, remove the washer lid and dryer door.
- Do not reach into the washer if the tub or agitator is moving.
- Do not reach into the dryer if the drum is moving.
- Do not install or store this laundry center where it will be exposed to the weather.
- Do not tamper with controls.
- Do not repair or replace any part of the laundry center or attempt any servicing unless specifically recommended in the Owner's Manual or in published userrepair instructions that you understand and have the skills 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.
- The interior of the machine and exhaust vent should be cleaned periodically by qualified service personnel.

#### SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

IMPORTANT: Observe all governing codes and ordinances.

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### INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

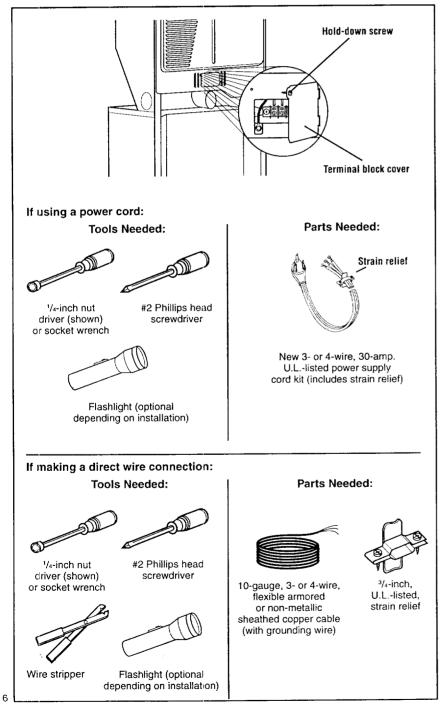
#### INSTALLATION OVERVIEW

For a complete list of tools and parts needed, see pages 5-10.

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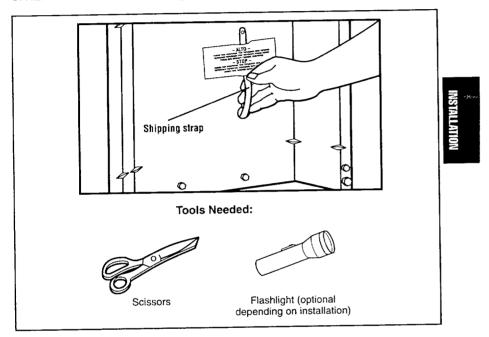
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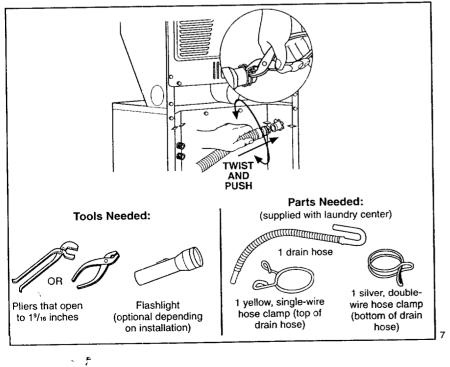
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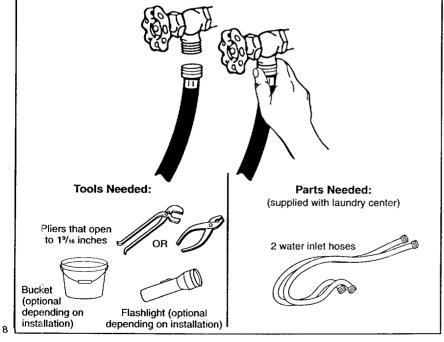


#### C ል NE Parts Needed: **Tools Needed:** (supplied with laundry center) 2 water inlet hoses 10 OR Pliers that open to 1%16 inches s Flashlight (optional depending on installation) -4 flat water inlet hose washers

#### E. CONNECT INLET HOSES TO LAUNDRY CENTER (pgs. 29-30)

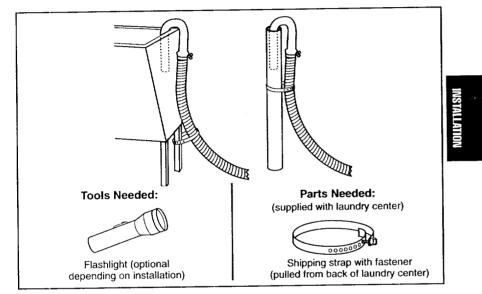
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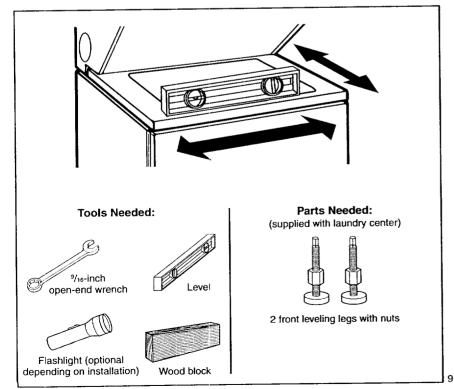


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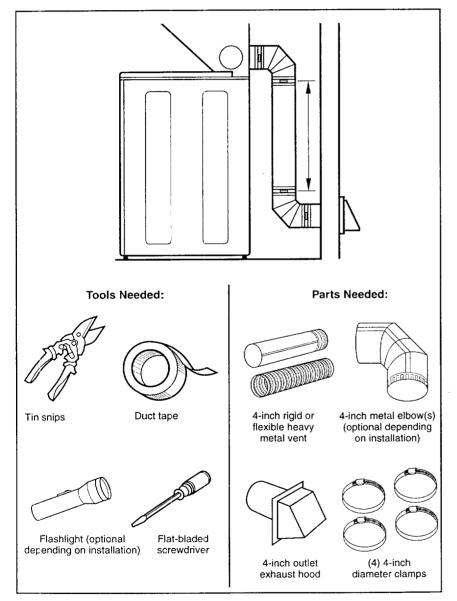


#### H. LEVEL LAUNDRY CENTER (p. 31)



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#### A. SELECT LOCATION FOR YOUR LAUNDRY CENTER

# for your **Benefit**

Selecting the proper location for your laundry center will improve its performance, make installation easier and minimize concerns like washer walk or noise.

Check location where laundry center will be installed. Proper installation is your responsibility. Make sure you have everything necessary for correct installation (see pages 12-13).

This laundry center can be installed using one of three systems:

- Laundry tub drain system (p. 12)
- Standpipe drain system (p. 13)
- Floor drain system (p. 13)

The laundry center must not be installed where it can be exposed to water and/or weather.

- Proper operation of washer cycles requires temperatures above 32°F (at lower temperatures, some water
- may remain in washer). See page 58 for Winterizing Information.

# **A** WARNING



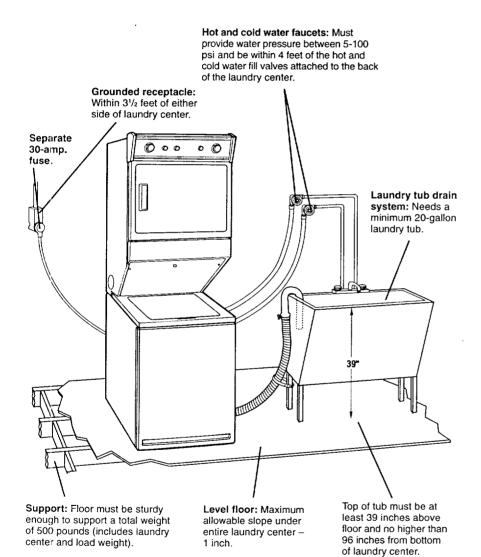
### Explosion Hazard

Keep flammable materials and vapors, such as gasoline, away from dryer. Failure to do so can result in death, explosion, or fire. INSTALLATION

- Proper operation of dryer cycles requires temperatures above 45°F (at lower temperatures, the dryer may not shut off at the end of automatic cycles and drying times will be extended).
- Check code requirements. Some codes limit or do not permit installation of laundry centers in garages, closets, mobile homes, or sleeping quarters. Contact your local building inspector.

#### LAUNDRY TUB DRAIN SYSTEM

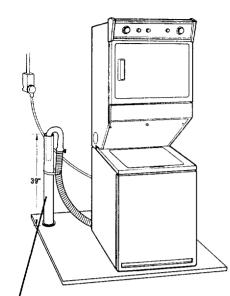
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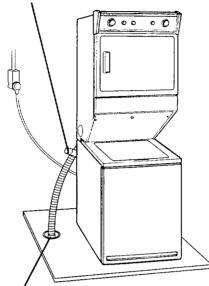
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#### ALTERNATE LOCATIONS --STANDPIPE AND FLOOR DRAIN SYSTEMS



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Siphon break: Must be purchased separately. See chart below.





**Standpipe drain system:** Needs a two-inch minimum diameter standpipe with minimum carry-away capacity of 17 gallons per minute. Top of standpipe must be at least 39 inches above floor and no higher than 96 inches from bottom of laundry center.

Floor drain system: Requires a siphon break, see chart below. A minimum carryaway capacity of 17 gallons per minute is required.

If you have:	You may need to buy:
Laundry tub or standpipe taller than 96 inches	Sump pump system (if not already available)
1-inch diameter standpipe	2-inch diameter to 1-inch diameter standpipe adapter, Part No. 3363920
Overhead sewer	Standard 20 gallon, 39-inch tall drain tub or utility sink and sump pump (available from local plumbing suppliers)
F∣oor drain	Siphon break, Part No. 285320; additional drain hose, Part No. 3357090; and connector kit, Part No. 285442

Parts listed are available from your local Sears store or Sears Service Center. Call 1-800-366-PART (1-800-366-7278).

#### **RECESSED AREA/CLOSET** INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Check governing codes and ordinances. This laundry center may be installed in a recessed area or closet.

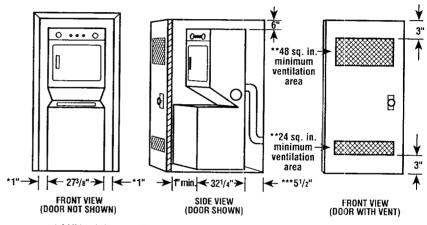
The laundry center must not be installed where it can be exposed to water and/or weather.

- · Proper operation of washer cycles requires temperatures above 32°F (at lower temperatures, some water may remain in washer). See page 58 for Winterizing Information.
- Proper operation of dryer cycles requires temperatures above 45°F (at lower temperatures, the dryer may not shut off at the end of automatic cycles and drying times will be extended).
- · Check code requirements. Some codes limit or do not permit installation of laundry centers in garages, closets, mobile homes, or sleeping quarters. Contact your local building inspector.

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WARNING: To reduce the risk of fire, this appliance must be exhausted outdoors. NOTE: No fuel burning appliances may be installed in the same closet as the laundry center.

#### MINIMUM INSTALLATION SPACING



\* Additional clearances for wall, door and floor moldings may be required. \*\* Opening is minimum for closet door. Louvered door with equivalent air openings

is acceptable.

- Additional space is needed when external exhaust elbow is used. Can be 0" clearance when house exhausting is lined up directly with dryer exhaust.
- In the above illustration, the installation spacing is in inches and is the minimum allowable.
- Additional spacing should be considered for ease of installation and servicing.
- If closet door is installed, the minimum air openings in top and bottom are required. Louvered doors with equivalent air openings in top and bottom are acceptable.
- · Recessed area and closet installations recuire a 6-inch minimum clearance above the laundry center.
- All installations must be exhausted outside. Use at least the minimum dimensions indicated.

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#### LAUNDRY CENTER DIMENSIONS

Most installations will require at least 5" clearance behind the dryer for the dryer vent.

Location must be large enough to fully open dryer door.

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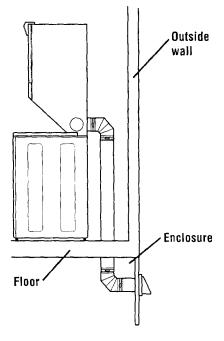
#### MOBILE HOME REQUIREMENTS

The laundry center must not be installed where it can be exposed to water and/or weather.

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- Proper operation of dryer cycles requires temperatures above 45°F (at lower temperatures, the dryer may not shut off at the end of automatic cycles and drying times will be extended).
- Use, at least, the minimum installation spacings described on page 14.

This laundry center 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 Homes Construction and Safety, Title 24, HUD Part 280).

- Laundry center exhaust vent must not be connected with screws or other devices which extend into the interior of the vent.
- Laundry center must be exhausted outdoors. The exhaust vent must be securely fastened to a noncombustible portion of the mobile home structure and must not terminate beneath the mobile home.





#### **B. MAKE ELECTRICAL** CONNECTION

#### It is your responsibility:

- To contact a qualified electrical installer.
- To assure that the electrical installation is adequate and in conformance with the National Electrical Code, ANSI/ NFPA 70-latest edition and all local codes and ordinances.

Copies of the code standards listed above may be obtained from:

**National Fire Protection Association Batterymarch Park** Quincy, Massachusetts 02269

#### **ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS**

### for your Benefit

The proper electrical connection ensures a safe installation that meets local code requirements. A three-wire or four-wire, single phase 120/240-volt, 60-Hz., AC-only, electrical supply (or three-wire or four-wire, 120/208-volt if specified on serial/rating plate) is required on a separate 30-ampere circuit, fused on both sides of the line. A time-delay fuse or circuit breaker is recommended.

This laundry center is manufactured with the 3-wire, frame-grounding conductor connected to the NEUTRAL (center) of the wiring harness of the terminal block. Do not have a fuse in the neutral or grounding circuit. A fuse in the neutral or grounding circuit could result in an electrical shock.

Use a 4-conductor cord when the laundry center is installed in a mobile home or an area where local codes do not permit grounding through the neutral.

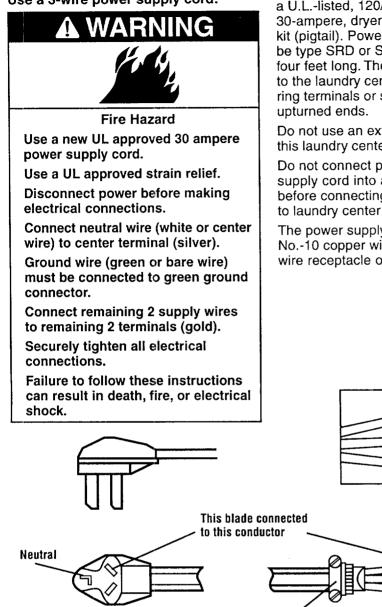
#### **ELECTRICAL CONNECTION OPTIONS**

If Your Home Has:	NECTION OPTIONS	And You Will Be Connecting To:	Go To Page
3-wire electrical receptacle (NEMA Type 10-30R)		A U.Llisted, 120/240-volt minimum, 30-amp., dryer power supply cord.*	17 – I.
3-wire direct	3 42	A fused disconnect or circuit breaker box.*	19 – II.
4-wire electrical receptacle (NEMA Type 14-30R)	ţ,	A U.Llisted, 120/240-volt minimum, 30-amp., dryer power supply cord.	22 – III.
4-wire direct	5.	A fused disconnect or circuit breaker box.	25 – IV.

\*If local codes do not permit the connection of a frame-grounding conductor to the neutral wire, see the instructions on page 21.

#### I. THREE-WIRE ELECTRICAL **CONNECTION TO RECEPTACLE** Use a 3-wire power supply cord:

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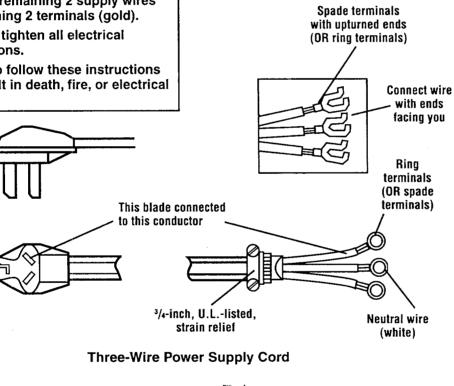


Local codes may permit the use of a U.L.-listed, 120/240-volt minimum, 30-ampere, dryer power supply cord kit (pigtail). Power supply cord should be type SRD or SRDT and be at least four feet long. The wires that connect to the laundry center must end with ring terminals or spade terminals with

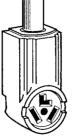
Do not use an extension cord with this laundry center.

Do not connect plug end of power supply cord into a live receptacle before connecting power supply cord to laundry center terminal block.

The power supply cord must have three, No.-10 copper wires to match a threewire receptacle of NEMA Type 10-30R.



Three-wire receptacle (NEMA Type10-30R)



#### **GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS**

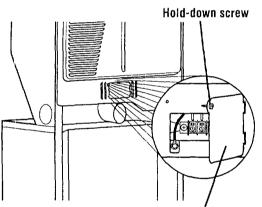
This appliance must be grounded. In the event of malfunction or breakdown, grounding will reduce the risk of electric shock by providing a path of least resistance for electric current. The power supply cord must be plugged into an appropriate outlet that is properly installed and grounded in accordance 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 serviceman if your are in doubt as to whether the appliance is properly grounded.

Do not modify the plug on the power supply cord. If it will not fit the outlet, have a proper outlet installed by a qualified electrician.

STEP 1. Disconnect power.

**STEP 2.** Remove hold-down screw and terminal block cover.

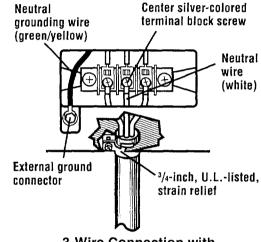


Terminal block cover

**STEP 3.** Attach a <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-inch, U.L.-listed, strain relief to the hole below terminal block opening. Strain relief should have a tight fit with laundry center cabinet and be in a horizontal position. Put the power supply cord through the strain relief.

**STEP 4.** Loosen or remove terminal block screws. Connect the neutral wire (white or center) of power supply cord under the center screw of the terminal block.

**STEP 5.** Connect the other two wires to outer terminal block screws. Securely tighten all electrical connections.



#### 3-Wire Connection with Frame-Grounding Conductor

STEP 6. Tighten the strain relief screws.

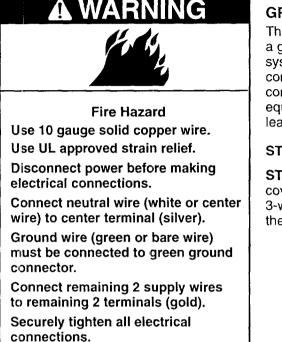
**STEP 7.** Insert tab of terminal block cover into slot of the laundry center rear panel. Secure cover with hold-down screw.

If local codes do not permit the connection of a frame-grounding conductor to the neutral wire, see the instructions on page 21.

Otherwise, proceed with Installation on page 27.

#### II. THREE-WIRE ELECTRICAL CONNECTION (DIRECT WIRE)

Prepare cable as directed:



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

The laundry center can be connected directly to fused disconnect or circuit breaker box with three-wire, flexible armored or nonmetallic sheathed copper cable (with grounding wire). All current-carrying wires must be insulated.

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A conduit connector must be installed at junction box. Allow four feet of slack in the line so laundry center can be moved if servicing is ever necessary.

#### **GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS**

This appliance must be connected to a grounded metal, permanent wiring system; or an equipment-grounding conductor must be run with the circuit conductors and connected to the equipment-grounding terminal or lead on the appliance.

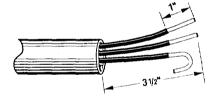
INSTALLATION

STEP 1. Disconnect power.

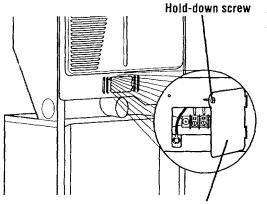
**STEP 1a.** Strip 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> inches of outer covering from end of cable. If using 3-wire cable with grounding wire, cut the bare wire even with outer covering.



**STEP 1b.** Cut 1 inch of insulation from the end of each insulated wire. Shape the end of each wire into a "U" shaped hook.



STEP 2. Remove hold-down screw and terminal block cover.

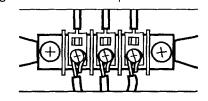


Terminal block cover

**STEP 3.** Attach a <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-inch, U.L.-listed, strain relief to the hole below terminal block opening. Strain relief should have a tight fit with laundry center cabinet and be in a horizontal position. Put the direct wire cable through the strain relief.

**STEP 4.** Loosen or remove terminal block screws. Connect the neutral wire (white or center) of direct wire cable under the center screw of the terminal block.

**STEP 4a.** Place the hook-shaped end of the wire over the terminal block screw. The open side of the hook should face to the right. Squeeze hook end of wire together to form a loop.



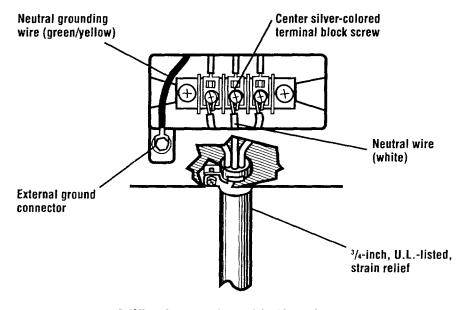
**STEP 5.** Connect the other two wires to outer terminal block screws using the same method(s) described in STEP 4a. Securely tighten all electrical connections.

STEP 6. Tighten the strain relief screws.

**STEP 7.** Insert tab of terminal block cover into slot of the laundry center rear panel. Secure cover with hold-down screw.

If local codes do not permit the connection of a frame-grounding conductor to the neutral wire, see the instructions on page 21.

Otherwise, proceed with Installation on page 27.



3-Wire Connection with Direct Wire and Frame-Grounding Conductor

#### ALTERNATE CONNECTION: If local codes do not permit the connection of a frame-grounding conductor to the neutral wire:

STEP 1. Disconnect power.

**STEP 2.** Make sure the power supply cord or direct wire cable is in place (see steps 1-3 on page 18 for power cord connections or steps 1-3 on pages 19-20 for direct wire connection).

**STEP 3.** Remove the neutral grounding wire (green/yellow wire) from external grounding connector screw. Loosen or remove terminal block screws. Connect neutral grounding wire and the neutral wire (white or center) of power supply cord or direct wire cable under the center screw of the terminal block.

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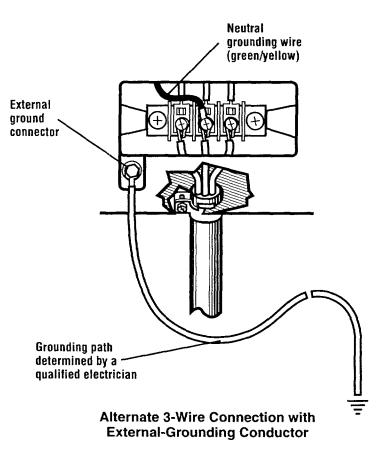
**STEP 4.** Connect the other two wires to outer terminal block screws. Securely tighten all electrical connections.

STEP 5. Tighten the strain relief screws.

**STEP 6.** Insert tab of terminal block cover into slot of the laundry center rear panel. Secure cover with hold-down screw.

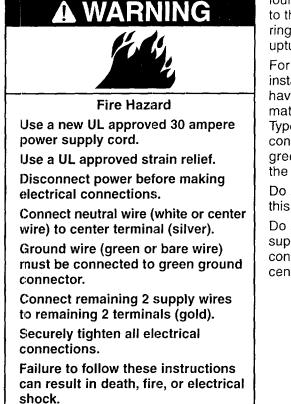
**STEP 7.** Connect separate copper grounding wire from external ground connector to an adequate ground. If codes permit and a separate grounding wire is used, it is recommended that a qualified electrician determine that the grounding path is adequate.

Proceed with Installation on page 27.



#### III. MAKE FOUR-WIRE ELECTRICAL CONNECTION TO RECEPTACLE

Use a 4-wire power supply cord:

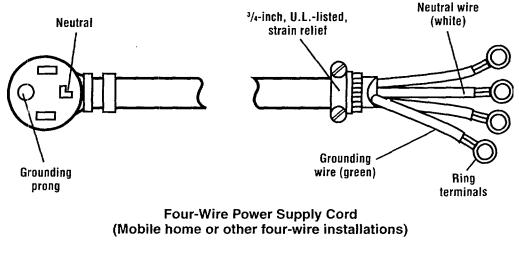


Local codes may permit the use of a U.L.-listed, 120/240-volt minimum, 30-ampere, dryer power supply cord kit (pigtail). Power supply cord should be type SRD or SRDT and be at least four feet long. The wires that connect to the laundry center must end with ring terminals or spade terminals with upturned ends.

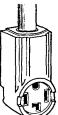
For mobile homes or other four-wire installations, the power supply cord must have four, No.-10 copper wires and match a four-wire receptacle of NEMA Type 14-30R. The fourth wire (grounding conductor) must be identified with a green cover or bare copper wire and the neutral conductor by a white cover.

Do not use an extension cord with this laundry center.

Do not connect plug end of power supply cord into a live receptacle before connecting power supply cord to laundry center terminal block.



Four-wire receptacle (NEMA Type 14-30R)



#### **GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS**

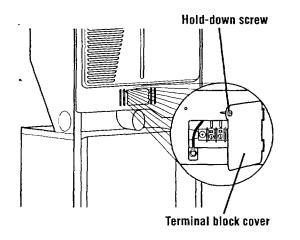
This appliance must be grounded. In the event of malfunction or breakdown, grounding will reduce the risk of electric shock by providing a path of least resistance for electric current. The power supply cord must be plugged into an appropriate outlet that is properly installed and grounded in accordance 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 serviceman if you are in doubt as to whether the appliance is properly grounded.

Do not modify the plug on the power supply cord. If it will not fit the outlet, have a proper outlet installed by a qualified electrician.

STEP 1. Disconnect power.

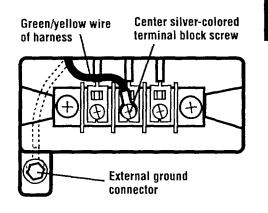
STEP 2. Remove hold-down screw and terminal block cover.



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STEP 3. Attach a 3/4-inch, U.L.-listed, strain relief to the hole below terminal block opening. Strain relief should have a tight fit with laundry center cabinet and be in a horizontal position. Put the power supply cord through the strain relief.

STEP 4. Remove the center terminal block screw. Remove the neutral grounding wire (green/yellow wire) from external grounding screw.





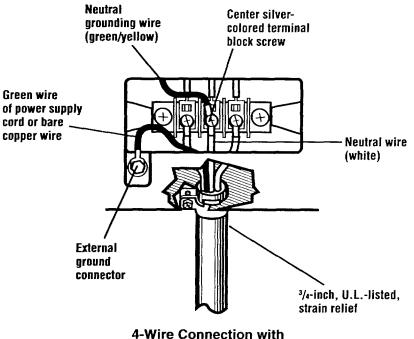
STEP 5. Connect neutral grounding wire and the neutral wire (white) of power supply cord under the center screw of terminal block.

**STEP 6.** Connect the other two insulated wires to outer terminal block screws.

**STEP 7.** Connect the grounding wire (green) of the power supply cord to the external grounding conductor screw. Securely tighten all electrical connections.

**STEP 8.** Insert tab of terminal block cover into slot of the laundry center rear panel. Secure cover with hold-down screw.

#### Proceed with Installation on page 27.



Frame-Grounding Conductor

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#### IV. FOUR-WIRE ELECTRICAL CONNECTION (DIRECT WIRE)

Prepare cable as directed:

# A WARNING

Fire Hazard

Use 10 gauge solid copper wire. Use UL approved strain relief.

Disconnect power before making electrical connections.

Connect neutral wire (white or center wire) to center terminal (silver).

Ground wire (green or bare wire) must be connected to green ground connector.

Connect remaining 2 supply wires to remaining 2 terminals (gold). Securely tighten all electrical connections.

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

. The laundry center can be connected directly to fused disconnect or circuit breaker box with four-wire flexible armored or nonmetallic sheathed copper cable (with grounding wire). All current-carrying wires must be insulated. The grounding wire may be bare.

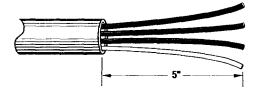
A conduit connector must be installed at junction box. Allow four feet of slack in the line so laundry center can be moved if servicing is ever necessary.

#### **GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS**

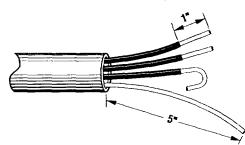
This appliance must be connected to a grounded metal, permanent wiring system; or an equipment-grounding conductor must be run with the circuit conductors and connected to the equipment-grounding terminal or lead on the appliance.

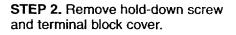
**STEP 1.** Disconnect power.

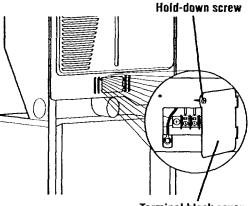
**STEP 1a.** Strip 5 inches of outer covering from end of cable. Leave bare grounding wire at 5 inches.



**STEP 1b.** Cut 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> inches from 3 remaining insulated wires. Strip insulation back 1 inch. Shape the end of each wire into a "U" shaped hook.







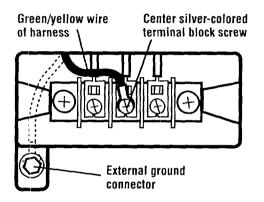
**Terminal block cover** 





**STEP 3.** Attach a <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-inch, U.L.-listed, strain relief to the hole below terminal block opening. Strain relief should have a tight fit with laundry center cabinet and be in a horizontal position. Put the direct wire cable through the strain relief.

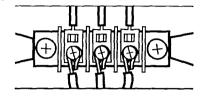
**STEP 4.** Remove the center terminal block screw. Remove the neutral grounding wire (green/yellow wire) from external grounding screw.



**STEP 5.** Connect neutral grounding wire and the neutral wire (white or center) of direct wire cable under the center screw of terminal block.

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**STEP 6.** Place the hook-shaped end of the wire over the terminal block screw. The open side of the hook should face to the right. Squeeze hook end of wire together to form a loop.

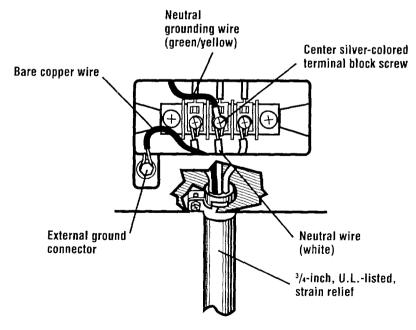


**STEP 7.** Connect the other two wires to outer terminal block screws. Use the same method described in STEP 6.

**STEP 8.** Connect the direct wire cable (bare) grounding wire to the externalgrounding conductor screw. Securely tighten all electrical connections.

STEP 9. Tighten the strain relief screws.

**STEP 10.** Insert tab of terminal block cover into slot of the laundry center rear panel. Secure cover with hold-down screw.



4-Wire Connection with Direct Wire and Frame-Grounding Conductor

#### C. REMOVE SHIPPING STRAP

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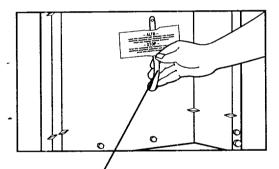
Removing the shipping strap is necessary for smooth operation. If the shipping strap is not removed, the laundry center will make excessive noise.

To prevent floor damage, set laundry center onto cardboard before moving across floor.

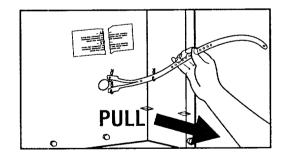
Move laundry center close to its final location.

**STEP 1.** Read, then remove the label over the shipping strap.

**STEP 2.** Pull the yellow shipping strap completely out of the laundry center. There should be three cotter pins on the end of the shipping strap that comes out of the laundry center.

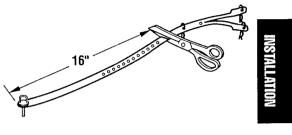


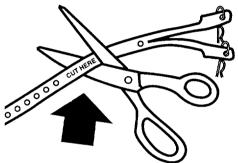
Shipping strap



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**STEP 3.** Cut the shipping strap about 16 inches from plug end. Look for the words "CUT HERE." Discard end with three cotter pins. You will use the remaining piece of shipping strap to secure the drain hose.





#### **D. CONNECT DRAIN HOSE**

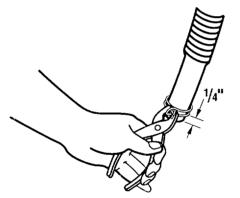
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Proper connection of the drain hose will protect your floors from damage due to water leakage.

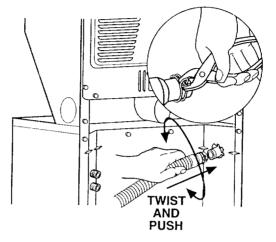
**STEP 1.** To prevent the drain hose from coming off or leaking, it must be installed per the following instructions:

**IMPORTANT:** To ensure proper installation, this procedure must be followed exactly.

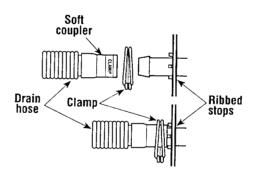
- a. Wet the inside of the straight end of the drain hose with tap water. DO NOT USE ANY OTHER LUBRICANT.
- b. Squeeze ears of silver, double-wire clamp with pliers to open. Place clamp over the straight end of the drain hose 1/4-inch from the end.



c. Open clamp. Twist hose back and forth while pushing onto drain connector on the side of the laundry center. Continue until hose contacts the ribbed stops on the cabinet.



d. Place clamp over area marked "CLAMP." Release clamp.

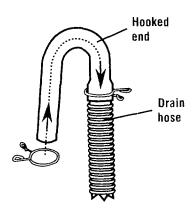


You will need to buy:
Drain hose, Part No. 388423 and hose kit, Part No. 285442
Hose kit, Part No. 285442
Drain protector, Part No. 367031

Parts listed are available from your local Sears store or Sears Service Center. Call 1-800-366-PART (1-800-366-7278).

# For standpipe or laundry tub drain systems:

**STEP 2.** Open yellow, single-wire clamp with pliers and slide over hooked end of drain hose to secure the rubber and corrugated sections together.



**STEP 3.** Put hooked end of drain hose into laundry tub or standpipe. Check for proper length of drain hose. Rotate hook to eliminate kinks.

To prevent drain water from going back into the washer:

- Do not straighten hooked end of drain hose and force excess drain hose into standpipe.
- Do not lay excess drain hose in bottom of laundry tub.

#### E. CONNECT INLET HOSES TO LAUNDRY CENTER



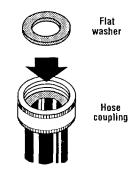
Proper connection of your inlet hoses will allow hot and cold water to enter your laundry center properly. It also helps prevent water damage due to leaks.



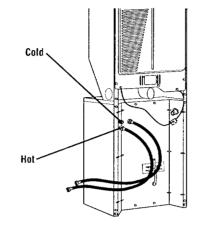
Slip and Fall Hazard Use new water inlet hoses. Failure to do so can result in head injury or broken bones.

**NOTE:** Replace inlet hoses after five years of use to reduce the risk of hose failure. Periodically inspect and replace inlet hoses if you find bulges, kinks, cuts, wear, or leaks. When replacing your inlet hoses, mark the date of replacement on the label with a permanent marker.

**STEP 1.** Insert one new, flat washer (from the parts bag) into each end of the inlet hoses. Check that washers are firmly seated in couplings.



STEP 2. Attach the hose with the red coupling to the hot water (bottom) inlet valve. Attaching the red coupling first makes it easier to tighten connection with pliers. Screw on coupling by hand. Make an additional two-thirds turn with pliers to tighten coupling. DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN; this could damage the valves.



STEP 3. Attach the hose with the blue coupling to the cold water (top) inlet valve. Screw on coupling by hand. Make an additional two-thirds turn with pliers to tighten coupling. DO NOT OVER-TIGHTEN; this could damage valves.

#### F. CONNECT INLET HOSES TO WATER FAUCETS

STEP 1. Make sure washer basket is empty. Run water through both faucets into a bucket or laundry tub to get rid of particles in the water lines that might clog hoses. Determine which faucet is not and which is cold. Mark the hot water faucet.



**STEP 2.** Attach the hose with the red coupling to the hot water faucet. Screw on coupling by hand. Make an additional twc-thirds turn with pliers to tighten coupling. DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN; this could darnage the coupling.

STEP 3. Attach the hose with the blue coupling to the cold water faucet. Screw on coupling to faucet by hand. Make an additional two-thirds turn with pliers to tighten coupling. DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN; this could damage the coupling.

STEP 4. Turn on water faucets and check for leaks. A small amount of water will enter the washer. You will drain this later.

If you have:	You will need to buy:
Water faucets beyond the reach of water fill hoses	2 longer water fill hoses: 6 ft. hoses, Pat No. 76314 or 10 ft. hoses, Pat No. 350008

Parts listed are available from your local Sears store or Sears Service Center. Call 1-800-366-PART (1-800-366-7278).



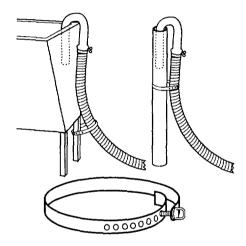
#### G. SECURE DRAIN HOSE

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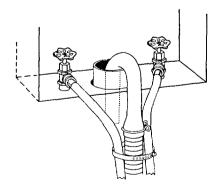
Securing the drain hose properly will protect your floors from damage due to water leakage.

**STEP 1.** Move laundry center to its final location.

STEP 2. Locate the remaining piece of shipping strap (not the end with the three cotter pins) from STEP 3 of "REMOVE SHIPPING STRAP." Use it to wrap the drain hose together with the laundry tub or standpipe. Push fastener into the nearest hole in the shipping strap.



If the water faucets and drain standpipe are recessed, put hooked end of drain hose in standpipe. Tightly wrap the shipping strap around the drain hose and water inlet hoses (not the handles or stems). Push fastener into the nearest hole in the shipping strap.

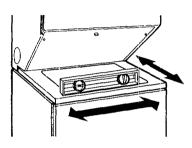


#### H. LEVEL LAUNDRY CENTER

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Leveling your laundry center properly prevents excessive noise and vibration.

**STEP 1.** Tilt laundry center forward until rear of laundry center is at least 3 inches off floor. You may hear the self-adjusting rear legs click into place. Lower laundry center to floor. Check levelness of the laundry center by placing a leve on top of the washer, first side-to-side; then front-to-back.



STEP 2. If laundry center is not level, prop up the front of the laundry center and adjust the legs up or down as necessary. Lower laundry center and reset self-adjusting rear legs (as in STEP 1). Repeat STEP 2 until the laundry center is level.

**NOTE:** Do not tighten the front leg nuts until after you have connected your exhaust system (see pages 32-36).

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A properly exhausted laundry center will give you the shortest drying time, lower your utility bill, and extend the life of the laundry center.

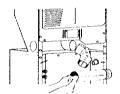


**WARNING:** To reduce the risk of fire, this dryer must be exhausted outdoors.

• Use a heavy metal vent.

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- Do not use a plastic vent.
- Do not use a metal foil vent.
- Do not exhaust laundry center into a chimney, a wall, a ceiling, or a concealed space of a building.
- The diameter of the heavy metal vent must be 4 inches.
- Do not use an exhaust hood with a magnetic latch.
- If using an existing exhaust system, disconnect vent from the laundry center and clean one section at a time until you reach the exhaust hood. To clean out lint, you can use the hose attachment on your vacuum or, use a pole or wire with a feather duster or rag attached.



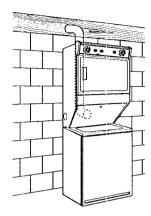
• Make sure exhaust hood is not plugged with lint. Follow the instructions in this section to reinstall your vent system.

#### **ROUTE THE VENT**

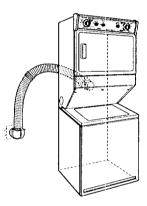
Typical installations exhaust from the rear of the laundry center.

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Avoid pushing the laundry center tightly against a wall. This can crush or kink the vent. Use the straightest path you can, where possible. Avoid 90° turns.



Rear exhaust installations for standard offset connections – (see pgs. 34-35)



Rear exhaust installations for offset connections with close clearances – (see p. 36)

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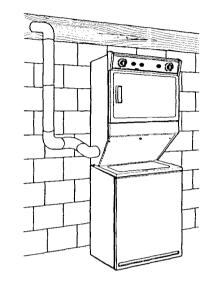
This laundry center may be converted to exhaust out the right or left side. To convert the laundry center, the following kits MUST be used.

Side Exhaust Kit No. 3391335 (white) Side Exhaust Kit No. 3391336 (almond)

Follow the instructions in the kit to avoid operational and personal hazards. These kits are available at your local Sears store or Sears Service Center.

#### DETERMINE VENT LENGTH Maximum Exhaust Lengths:

- *Rear Exhaust.* The maximum length of the rear exhaust system depends on the type of vent, the number of elbows and the type of exhaust hood. Refer to the chart below.
- *Side Exhaust.* Side exhaust adds a 90° turn inside the laundry center. To determine maximum exhaust length, add one 90° turn to the chart.



Typical installations for left or right side exhausting

**NOTE:** Avoid pushing the laundry center tightly against a wall. This can crush or kink the vent. Use the straightest path you can, where possible, to avoid 90° turns.

EXHAUST HOOD TYPE					
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Number of	Maximum length of 4-inch				
90° Turns	diameter rigid heavy metal vent.				
0	42 ft.	40 ft.	35 ft.		
1	34 ft.	32 ft.	27 ft.		
2	26 ft.	24 ft.	19 ft.		
Number of	Maximum length of 4-inch				
90° Turns	diameter flexible heavy metal vent.				
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0	26 ft.	25 ft.	20 ft.		
0	26 ft. 21 ft.	25 ft. 21 ft.	20 ft. 16 ft.		

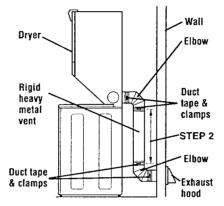
#### STANDARD OFFSET CONNECTIONS

Using 4-inch rigid heavy metal vent: NOTE: Do not secure exhaust vent

joints with screws. Screws can catch lint and slow the drying process. Instead, use clamps to secure exhaust vent joints.

**STEP 1.** Install a 4-inch metal elbow on the hood and on the laundry center's exhaust outlet.

**STEP 2.** Measure the length of 4-inch rigid heavy metal vent needed to connect the two elbows.

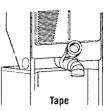


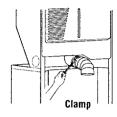
The vent usually comes in 2-foot lengths. Use tin snips to cut the vent 3 inches longer than your measurement in order to make a connection.



STEP 3. Place a clamp on each end of vent elbow and connect elbow to your laundry center's exhaust outlet. Tape the joint with duct tape. Tighten clamp.

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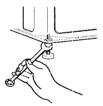




STEP 4. Connect vent to elbow. Tape the joint with duct tape. Tighten clamp.

**STEP 5.** Install one end of elbow on vent, the other end to the exhaust hood. Tape joints and tighten clamps.

**NOTE:** Once the exhaust vent is connected and the laundry center is in its final location, check to make sure the laundry center is still level (see section "H", LEVEL LAUNDRY CENTER). When laundry center is level, use a <sup>9</sup>/<sub>16</sub>-inch open-end wrench to turn the front leg nuts tightly against laundry center cabinet. If the leg nuts are not tight against the cabinet, the laundry center may vibrate.



Finish Installation. See "REVIEW INSTALLATION" on page 37.



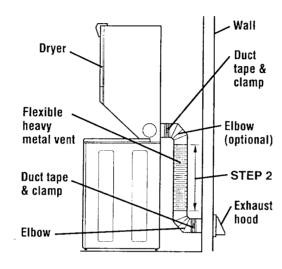
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#### Using 4-inch flexible heavy metal vent:

**NOTE:** Do not secure exhaust vent joints with screws. Screws can catch lint and slow the drying process. Instead, use clamps to secure exhaust vent joints.

**STEP 1.** Install a 4-inch metal elbow on the exhaust hood and, if necessary, on the laundry center's exhaust outlet.

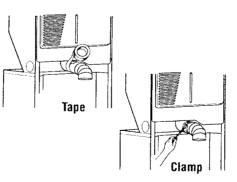
**STEP 2.** Measure the length of 4-inch flexible heavy metal vent needed from the laundry center to the hood.



**STEP 3.** Add 10 inches to the measurement for each bend in the vent.

**STEP 4.** Add 3 more inches to the measurement for connection over the laundry center's exhaust outlet and hood.

**STEP 5.** Place a clamp on each end of vent elbow. Install one end of elbow on vent, the other end to the exhaust hood. Tape joints and tighten clamps.



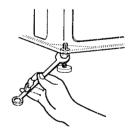
**STEP 6.** Stretch the vent only as needed by pulling out from the center in each direction. Do not stretch vent sections over 6 feet. If distance is more than 6 feet, use 2 or more sections of rigid metal vent with flexible metal vent attached at ends.

**STEP 7.** Connect the vent directly to the laundry center's exhaust outlet or to a separate elbow. Tape the joints with duct tape. Secure with clamps.

**STEP 8.** To fit the vent over the duct on the hood it may be necessary to make two 1/2-inch cuts in the end of the vent to allow it to expand.



**NOTE:** Once the exhaust vent is connected and the laundry center is in its final location, check to make sure the laundry center is still level (see section "H", LEVEL LAUNDRY CENTER). When laundry center is level, use a <sup>9</sup>/<sub>16</sub>-inch open-end wrench to turn the front leg nuts tightly against laundry center cabinet. If the leg nuts are not tight against the cabinet, the laundry center may vibrate.

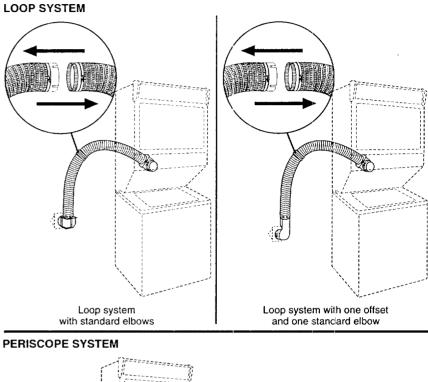


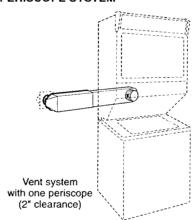
Finish Installation. See "REVIEW INSTALLATION" on page 37.

# OFFSET CONNECTIONS WITH CLOSE CLEARANCES

When your exhaust vent is in a close clearance behind the laundry center, or if you are installing your laundry center in a recessed area or closet, you will find it helpful to install the exhaust vent by using a loop system. A kit is available from your local Sears store or Sears Service Center.

**NOTE:** Vent systems come in many varieties. Select the type that best fits your installation. Three of the most common types of installations are illustrated here.





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#### **REVIEW INSTALLATION**

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Take a few minutes to complete this checklist. It will help assure you that you have a proper installation and will increase your satisfaction with your Kenmore laundry center.

- Check electrical requirements. Be sure you have correct electrical supply and recommended grounding method.
- Check that you have:
  - All the tools you started with.
  - Removed all packaging materials.
  - Removed shipping strap with three cotter pins.
  - Installed all parts listed on pages 5-10.

#### Check that:

- The laundry center is level.
- The nuts on the front legs are tight.
- Check that the water faucets are turned on.
- Ensure that laundry center is positioned in its final location. Make sure vent is not crushed or kinked.

#### **FINAL STEPS**

- Plug the power supply cord into the grounded outlet or connect direct wire to power supply.
- □ Turn power supply on.
- Wipe the interior of the dryer drum thoroughly with a damp cloth to remove any dust.
- Remove the blue protective film on the console and any tape remaining on laundry center.
- □ Take a few minutes and read the Operating Instructions (pages 38-48) to fully understand your new laundry center.

- Start the washer and allow it to complete the HEAVY DUTY Cycle.
- Start the dryer and allow it to complete a full heat cycle (not the air cycle).
   After five minutes, open dryer door.
   You should feel heat inside the dryer.
   If you do not feel heat, see Troubleshooting information on pages 63-64.

**NOTE:** You may notice a burning odor. This smell is common when the heating element is first used. The smell will go away.

#### **OPERATING YOUR WASHER**

## for your Benefit

To get the maximum cleaning and fabric care from your washer, please read and follow these instructions.

# A WARNING

Explosion Hazard Never place items in the washer that are dampened with gasoline or other flammable fluids. No washer can completely remove oil.

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

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

#### STARTING YOUR WASHER

**STEP 1.** Add measured detergent directly into washer basket. Then place a load of sorted clothes in the washer.

**STEP 2.** (OPTIONAL STEP) If desired, add measured liquid chlorine bleach to the liquid bleach dispenser (see pages 42-43).

STEP 3. (OPTIONAL STEP) If desired, add measured liquid fabric softener to th fabric softener dispenser (see page 43).

STEP 4. Close washer lid.

**STEP 5.** Set WATER LEVEL Control **(a)** based on the size of your wash load (see page 39).

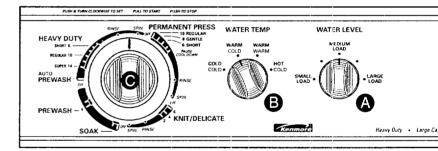
**STEP 6.** Set WATER TEMP Control (see page 39).

**STEP 7.** Push the Cycle Selector Control (Timer) Knob **()** in and turn to the right to desired cycle and time (see pages 40-41).

**STEP 8.** Pull the Cycle Selector Control (Timer) Knob out. The dial will rotate as the cycle progresses. The knob will not rotate.

#### STOPPING/RESTARTING YOUR WASHER

- To stop the washer at any time, push the Cycle Selector Control (Timer) Knob in.
- Pull the knob out to restart.



#### SET WATER LEVEL CONTROL

## for your **Benefit**

## This control gives you the flexibility to save water when washing small loads.

Your washer lets you select a water setting based on the size of your wash load.

- For normal loads, start with the MEDIUM LOAD Setting. Adjust up or down depending on your load. Clothes should move freely and roll toward the agitator.
- To change to a higher water level setting after the washer has started to agitate, turn the knob to the desired new setting.

WATER LEVEL

MEDIUM LOAD

LARGE

LOAD

SMALL

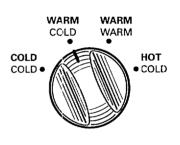
LOAD

#### SET WATER TEMPERATURE CONTROL

Your washer lets you select a wash and rinse water temperature setting based on the type of load you are washing.

- Using warm rinse water will leave loads drier after the spin cycle than if you use cold rinse water. However, warm rinses may increase wrinkling when line drying.
- In cold climates, warm rinse water also provides a more comfortable temperature for handling the wash load.

#### WATER TEMP



	SELECTING WAT	ERTEMPERATURES
Wash Water Temperature	Suggested Fabrics	Comments
HOT 120°F or above	Work clothes     Sturdy whites/     colorfast pastels     Diapers	<ul> <li>Best cleaning for heavily soiled items</li> <li>Removes oils, perspiration, greasy soils and stains</li> <li>Prevents graying or yellowing</li> </ul>
WARM 90°-110°F	<ul> <li>Dark/non-colorfast colors</li> <li>Permanent press items</li> <li>Nylon, polyester, acrylics, silks, woolens</li> <li>Knits/delicate fabrics</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Best for moderately soiled to lightly soiled items</li> <li>Safe for most fabric finishes</li> <li>Less fading and dye bleeding</li> <li>Reduces wrinkling</li> </ul>
COLD* 70°-90°F	Extra-sensitive colors     Non-colorfast items     Hand washables	Best for very lightly soiled items     Saves hot water

\*In wash water temperatures colder than 70°F, detergents do not dissolve well. Also, soils may be difficult to remove and some fabrics may retain wear wrinkles and have increased pilling – the formation of small lint-like balls on the surface of garments. Filling is the natural result of wearing and washing of garments.

#### SETTING YOUR CYCLE SELECTOR CONTROL (TIMER)

Use this control to choose the agitation time and to start the washer. Each cycle is designed with the wash and spin speeds that are appropriate for the fabrics and soil levels in your wash load.

- For heavy soil and sturdy fabrics, use the full time (SUPER or REGULAR if indicated).
- For light soil and delicate fabrics, use less time (SHORT if indicated).

**NOTE:** Do not wash garments labeled Hand Wash in your washer. Garments that are labeled Hand Wash have:

- A fiber or construction that is sensitive to agitation.
- · Sensitive dyes that may bleed.

Follow care label directions for drying. Items that may shrink should be dried flat. Block these items by gently stretching to original measurements. Woolens tend to shrink more the first time they are washed.

#### AUTO PREWASH

Use this cycle to get an automatic 4-minute prewash for washing heavily soiled loads that need maximum soil removal. AUTO PREWASH provides 4 minutes of fast speed agitation before advancing into the HEAVY DUTY Cycle. Your total wash time will be 18 minutes.

• For proper cleaning, use double the amount of detergent recommended for a wash cycle.

#### HEAVY DUTY

Use this cycle to get up to 14 minutes of wash time for sturdy or heavily soiled loads.

• Wash combines fast and slow speed agitation and fast spin speeds.

## for your Benefit

#### The PERMANENT PRESS Cycle includes a load cooling process that reduces wrinkling compared to other cycles.

You can select up to 10 minutes of wash time. Wash combines fast and slow speed agitation and slow spin speeds to reduce wrinkling.

NOTE: When the timer reaches PAUSE the washer will drain and pause for no more than two minutes while some of the wash water is drained and replaced with rinse water.

#### **KNIT/DELICATE**

Use this cycle for lingerie and loosely knit items. Wash combines slow speed agitation for gentle soil removal and slow spin speeds to reduce wrinkling.

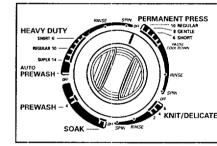
#### SOAK

SOAK Cycle features 4 minutes of agitation followed by a 12-minute soak time to help remove heavy soils and stains that need pretreatment. SOAK Cycle is automatically followed by a PREWASH Cycle.

**NOTE:** We do not recommend hot wate for soaking. It may set some stains.

#### PREWASH

Use this cycle to get up to 4 minutes of agitation to help remove heavy soils and stains that need pretreatment. PREWAS Cycle should be followed by a HEAVY DUTY or PERMANENT PRESS Cycle with additional detergent.





#### **RINSE AND SPIN**

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

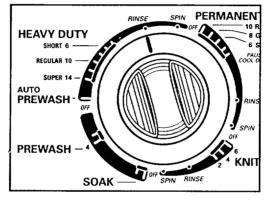
**STEP 1.** Set WATER LEVEL Control.

STEP 2. Set WATER TEMP Control.

**STEP 3.** Set the Cycle Selector Control (Timer) Knob to a RINSE setting.

- For fast agitation and spin, use the HEAVY DUTY Cycle.
- For slow agitation and spin, use the KNIT/DELICATE Cycle.

**STEP 4.** Pull Cycle Selector Control (Timer) Knob out to start washer.



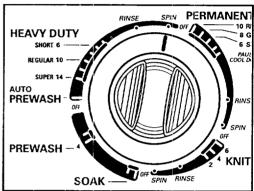
#### **SPIN ONLY**

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

**STEP 1.** Set the Cycle Selector Control (Timer) Knob to a SPIN setting.

- For fast spin, use the HEAVY DUTY Cycle.
- For slow spin, use the KNIT/DELICATE Cycle.

**STEP 2.** Pull the Cycle Selector Control (Timer) Knob out to start washer.

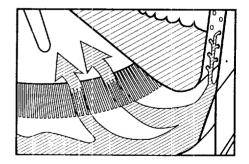


#### SELF-CLEANING LINT FILTER

## for your Benefit

Lint is filtered from the load automatically – there's no messy cleanup.

Your washer features a self-cleaning filter that traps lint from the water while the washer is washing and deep rinsing the laundry. The trapped lint is flushed down the drain automatically. You don't have to clean the filter.



#### DOUBLE ROLL-OVER DUAL-ACTION<sup>™</sup> PLUS AGITATOR

#### for your **Benefit**

Kenmore's Double Roll-Over DUAL-ACTION<sup>™</sup> Plus Agitator gives you flexible fabric care for even your largest loads.

The best cleaning action in your washer takes place at the bottom where the agitator vanes move back and forth to flex the fabric, loosening the soil.

The upper portion of the agitator moves the clothes on top down to the bottom where most of the washing action is. Special vanes help push the clothes in a downward, spiraling pattern, displacing the clothes that are on the bottom with a "roll-over" motion. These uniquely designed vanes are more efficient in getting the clothes to "roll" down to where they are cleaned.

## UNDERSTANDING NORMAL WASHER SOUNDS

Your new laundry center's washer may make sounds that your old washer didn't. Because the sounds are unfamiliar, you may be concerned about them.

The following describes some of the normal sounds you may hear and what causes them.

#### **During Wash**

When you select a small load size setting for a small wash load, your washer has a lower water level. With this lower water level, you may hear a clicking sound from the upper portion of the agitator.

#### **During Drain**

The rate that water is drained from your washer depends on your installation. If water is drained quickly from the washe you may hear air being pulled through the pump. This happens during the end of draining.

#### After Drain and Before Spin

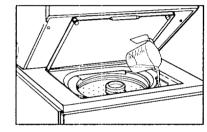
When the cycle changes from draining to spinning, you may hear a noise as th gearcase shifts.

#### USING THE LIQUID CHLORINE BLEACH DISPENSER

#### for your Benefit

Automatically dilutes bleach to ensure the cleanest and brightest loads.

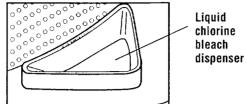
Always measure liquid chlorine bleach Use a measuring cup, do not guess. Do not pour directly from bottle. Never use more than 1 cup for a full load. Use less with smaller loads. Follow manufacturers directions for safe use. A cup with a pouring spout will help you avoid spilling



After loading the washer, pour measure liquid chlorine bleach carefully into the dispenser.

 Do not let bleach splash, drip, or run down into washer basket. Undiluted bleach will damage any fabric it touches  Start the washer. Bleach will be diluted automatically before it comes in contact with the wash load.

NOTE: Do not use this dispenser to add powdered chlorine or color-safe bleach to your wash load. The dispenser is for liquid chlorine bleach only.

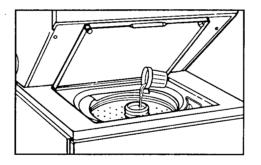


Liquid chlorine bleach

#### **USING THE LIQUID FABRIC** SOFTENER DISPENSER

After loading the washer, measure and add the recommended amount of fabric softener into the dispenser. Follow manufacturer's directions.

**NOTE:** Pouring too much fabric softener into the dispenser will cause the fabric softener to dispense instantly into the load due to siphoning action. This instant "dump" could damage fabrics and will make it appear that your dispenser is not working correctly.



- Add warm water to fill the dispenser until it reaches the crossed opening at the bottom of the funnel-shaped portion of the dispenser.
- Fabric softener is dispensed into the first deep rinse water automatically.

NOTE: Fabric softeners are not compatible with detergents. This dispenser should never be used in the PREWASH Cycle since it would dispense fabric softener into a wash load that has not been rinsed. Undiluted fabric softener spilled on fabric may result in spots that look like oil stains.

If you ever use your dispenser this way by mistake, rewash the load with extra detergent to remove these deposits.

#### To Remove and Clean the Fabric Softener Dispenser

STEP 1. Grab the dispenser with both hands. Squeeze and push upward with thumbs.

STEP 2. Flush the dispenser with warm water.

STEP 3. Replace dispenser after cleaning.

> Liquid fabric softener dispenser

OPERATION

#### UNDERSTANDING WHAT HAPPENS IN EACH CYCLE

AUTO PREWASH/

HE/	AVY DUTY & T/DELICATE	PERM	ANENT PRESS		SOAK
*	Fill to selected level ▼	*	Fill to se ected level ▼	*	Fill to selected level ▼
	Wash selected time ▼		Wash selected time		Agitate ▼
*	Drain – no spin ▼		Partial Drain ▼		Soak (washer automatically
	Spin ▼		Pause		advances into PREWASH) ▼
*	Fill to selected level	****	Fill for cool down ▼	P	REWASH Fill to
	Rinse	<b>f</b> il	Wash		selected level
¥	Drain – no spin	¥	▼ Drain – no spin		Wash selected time
53	Spin		Spin	¥	Drain – no spin ▼
	<b>▼</b> Off		Fill to se ected level	55	Spin ▼
			 Rinse		Off (reset to wash cycle and time)
		¥	Drain – no spin		
		J.	Spin ▼		
			Off		

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## **OPERATING YOUR DRYER**

#### STARTING YOUR DRYER



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.

To get the best drying results, you must operate your dryer properly. This section gives you this important information.

**STEP 1.** Check lint screen. Clean if needed (see page 56).

STEP 2. Put laundry into dryer and shut door.



Fire Hazard No washer can completely remove oil.

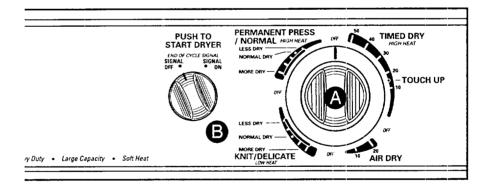
Do not dry anything that has ever had any type of oil on it (including cooking oils).

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.

**STEP 3.** Set Cycle Selector Control (Timer) (A); (see pages 46 and 47).

STEP 4. Press PUSH TO START DRYER Button **B**. Be sure door is closed.



#### STOPPING/RESTARTING YOUR DRYER

- To stop the dryer at any time, open dryer door.
- To restart, press PUSH TO START DRYER Button. Be sure door is closed.
- If you wish to end your drying cycle, turn Cycle Selector Control (Timer) to OFF.

#### CYCLE DESCRIPTION – AUTOMATIC DRYING CYCLES

#### for your Benefit

The automatic drying cycles (PERMANENT PRESS/NORMAL or KNIT/DELICATE) save you time by providing the best drying results in the shortest time. This can help you save money on utility bills and reduce the risk of fabric damage.

Use the automatic drying cycles for most loads. Drying time varies according to type of fabric, size of load, and dryness setting.

#### PERMANENT PRESS/ NORMAL CYCLE

• Use this cycle for sturdy clothes or permanent press items. Clothes are dried at high heat. When the dryness selected is reached, the dryer goes into a 10-minute (approx.) cool-down period.

#### KNIT/DELICATE CYCLE

• Use this cycle for most loads of knitted, delicate, or sheer fabrics. Clothes are dried at low heat. When the dryness selected is reached, the dryer goes into a 5-minute (approx.) cool-down period.

#### Using Automatic Drying Cycles

- Set the Cycle Selector Control (Timer) to NORMAL DRY (\*) which is good for most fabrics.
- At the end of the cycle, feel the dried clothes. If they are damp, select MORE DRY the next time you do a similar load. If they are overdried, select LESS DRY the next time you do a similar load.
- Dryness is determined by thermostats that react to the amount of moisture in the air exhausted from the dryer. Moist air indicates clothes are still damp. Dry air indicates that moisture has been removed.
- The End-of-Cycle Signal sounds (if selected) once the cycle is completed.

#### CYCLE DESCRIPTION – TIMED DRYING CYCLES

#### TIMED DRY CYCLE

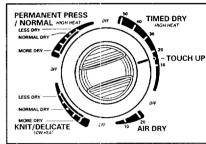
Use this cycle to get up to 50 minutes of heated drying time.

- The heating cycle is followed by a 10-minute (approx.) cool-down period.
- The End-of-Cycle Signal sounds (if selected) once the cycle is completed

#### TOUCH UP CYCLE

Use this cycle to smooth synthetic and permanent press clothes that are clean but wrinkled from being crowded in a closet or suitcase.

- This setting provides about 15 minutes of heated tumbling followed by a 10-minute (approx.) cool-down period.
- Remove clothes immediately when tumbling stops.

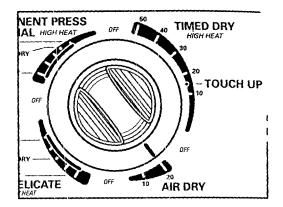


#### USING AIR DRY



Using this cycle gives you all the benefits of hang drying with a shorter drying time.

Use the AIR DRY Cycle to get up to 20 minutes of drying time in room temperature air. Use this setting for items that will not tolerate heat such as plastics and foam rubber. Also use for airing and fluffing items such as pillows.



Refer to the following table for examples of items that require drying without heat. Use the AIR DRY Cycle, or place the items on a line or rack to air dry.

Type of Load	AIR DRY Cycle*
DELICATE FABRICS	
Sheer curtains (2 or 3 panels), gauze, lace, etc.	10 min.
RUBBER, PLASTIC, HEAT-SENSITIVE FABRICS	
Foam rubber - Pillows, padded bras, stuffed toys	10 min.
<ul> <li>Make sure coverings are securely stitched.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Shake and fluff pillows by hand several times during the cycle.</li> </ul>	
Make sure pillows are completely dry. Foam rubber pillows	
take a long time to dry.	
Plastic – Shower curtains, tablecloths	10 min.
Rubber-backed rugs	20 min.
Olefin, Polypropylene, sheer nylon	10 min.

\*Reset time, as needed, to allow items to dry completely.

#### END-OF-CYCLE SIGNAL CONTROL

## for your Benefit

## Your dryer sounds a signal when a drying cycle is finished.

The signal is helpful when you are drying permanent press, synthetics, and other items. These items should be removed from the dryer as soon as it stops in order to prevent wrinkles.



#### PUSH TO START DRYER BUTTON

Use this control to start the dryer. Be sure the dryer door is closed.

Opening the door stops the dryer. It will not start again until you close the door and press the PUSH TO START DRYER Button. Be sure the Cycle Selector Control (Timer) is still on a dry setting.

> PUSH TO START DRYER END OF CYCLE SIGNAL SIGNAL SIGNAL OFF • • ON



#### for your **Benefit**

SOFT-HEAT® System guards against overdrying. This helps your fabrics retain the natural moisture they neec prevents static, and reduces pilling – the formation of small lint-like balls on the surface of garments. Pilling is the natural result of washing and wearing of garments.

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Kenmore dryers help prevent overdrying so you get outstanding fabric care. In th automatic drying and timed drying cycles clothes are dried at the temperature you selected until the last few minutes of the cycle. The dryer then switches to low hea

#### COOL DOWN

Approximately ten minutes before the end of the automatic drying and timed drying cycles, clothes are tumbled without heat to help reduce wrinkles and mak clothes more comfortable to handle.

## LAUNDRY TIPS

## PREPARING CLOTHES

## for your **Benefit**

Follow these recommendations to help save on utility bills and prolong he life of your garments.

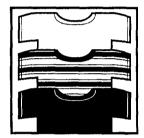
#### **NASHING AND DRYING TIPS**

- Close zippers, snaps, and hooks to avoid snagging other items. Remove heat-sensitive trim that can be damaged by drying. Tie strings and sashes so they will not tangle. Mend tears, loose hems, and seams.
- Check garments for spots and stains left after washing. Do not tumble these items. Heat may permanently set stains.
- Check pockets before washing or drying. Sharp or metal objects can damage your washer interior or dryer
- drum. Do not lay these objects on your laundry center; they can damage the finish. Turn pockets of heavy items inside out for even drying.
- Turn synthetic knits inside out before washing to avoid pilling.
- Stained or wet garments should be washed promptly for best results.
- Place small items such as baby socks or hankies in laundry bag for easier removal.
- Articles to be ironed should be removed from the dryer while still damp.



#### SORTING

- Separate heavily soiled items from lightly soiled ones, even if they would normally be washed together. Separate lint givers (towels, chenille) from lint takers (corduroy, synthetics, permanent press). When possible, turn lint givers inside out.
- Separate dark colors from light colors, colorfast items from non-colorfast items.
- Sort by fabric and construction (sturdy cottons, knits, delicate items).



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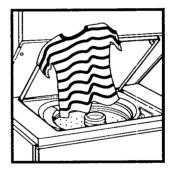
#### LOADING

#### for your **Benefit**

Proper loading of your laundry center contributes to proper cleaning and fabric care and reduces machine noise.

#### LOADING TIPS - WASHER

- Drop items into washer loosely. Fill to the top of the basket (top row of holes). Do not wrap items around the agitator. Items should move easily through wash water for best cleaning and wrinkle-free results. Items should sink and reappear later.
- Load washer properly and select correct water level setting. Overloading or packing the machine, and selecting a setting too small for the wash load can:
  - · cause poor cleaning
  - increase wrinkling
  - · create excessive lint
  - wear out items faster (because of pilling)
- Load by the amount of space items take up, not by their weight.
- Mix large and small items in each load. Load evenly to maintain washer balance. An off-balance load can make the washer vibrate during spin.



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 Use a higher water level setting to reduce wrinkling with permanent press clothes and some synthetic knits. These items should have more room to move in the water than heavy items (towels, jeans).

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 Reduce wash time by using a lower water level setting. Loads with only a few small items need less wash time.

For these suggested full-sized loads, set the WATER LEVEL Control to the highest water level setting.

LARGE CA	PACITY LAUND	RY CENTER
Heavy Work Clothes	Permanent Press	Mixed Load
3 jeans 2 workpants 3 workshirts 1 coverall	1 double sheet 1 tablecloth 1 dress 1 blouse 2 slacks 3 shirts 6 handkerchiefs	2 sheets (double or twin) 4 pillowcases 6 T-shirts 2 blouses 2 shirts 6 shorts 6 handkerchiefs
Towels 8 bath towels 8 hand towels 10 wash cloths 1 bath mat	Knits 2 pants 2 blouses 4 shirts 4 tops 2 dresses	Delicates 2 camisoles 4 slips 4 panties 2 bras 2 nighties

#### LOADING TIPS - DRYER

- Mix large items with small items. Load the dryer by the amount of space items take up, not by their weight. Do not overload the dryer. Overcrowding causes uneven drying and wrinkling, and can cause items to wear out faster (because of pilling).
- You may need to rearrange large items (sheets, blankets, tablecloths) during a cycle to reduce balling or rolling up.
- For better tumbling action, when drying only a few small items, add one or two lint-free towels. This also prevents small lightweight items from blocking airflow.

#### USING DRYER FABRIC SOFTENERS

Dryer fabric softeners are recommended for reducing static cling. Always follow package instructions carefully.

- Put one fabric softener sheet on top of the load before starting the dryer. Do not add a fabric softener sheet after the drying cycle has started. Instant heat can cause the fabric softener to spot fabrics.
- Remove fabric softener stains by wetting the stains and rubbing them with liquid detergent or bar soap and rewash.
- Some fabric softeners can clog the lint screen and slow drying. Use fabric softeners labeled as dryer safe.

#### SAVING ENERGY

- Use the automatic drying cycles to dry most loads.
- Dry full loads only. Do not overdry.
- Avoid overloading dryer, adding wet items to a partly dried load, or opening the door unnecessarily.
- Shorten drying times by exhausting laundry center properly and cleaning exhaust vent and outside exhaust hood as needed.
- Keep the lint screen clean.
- Use dryer where room air temperature is above 45°F.
- Sort loads by fabric weight and type.

#### **REMOVING STAINS**

#### STAIN REMOVAL RULES

Stained, heavily soiled, or greasy items may need to be prewashed or soaked for best results. Soaking helps remove protein-type stains like blood, milk, or grass. Prewashing helps loosen soil before washing.

- Use warm water for soaking or prewashing stained laundry. Hot water can set stains.
- Most stains are easier to remove when they are fresh. Old or set stains may not come out. Follow package directions for pretreatment products.
- Before treating any stain, find out what kind of stain it is, how old the stain is, what kind of fabric it is, and if the fabric is colorfast. (Check the care label.)
- Washing and drying can set some stains.
- Start with cold or warm water. Hot water can set some stains.
- When bleach is recommended, use a bleach that is safe for the fabric.
- Test stain removers on an inside seam or hidden corner of the item to see if the color is removed.
- Put the stained area face down on a paper towel or white cloth. Apply the stain remover to the back of the stain. This forces the stain off the fabric instead of through it.
- Meat tenderizer or enzyme presoaks help break down some protein stains so they are easier to remove.

#### STAIN REMOVAL GUIDE

#### Alcoholic beverage

These stains turn brown with age, so treat immediately. Sponge or soak fresh stains with cold water. Wash. If stain remains, soak 15 minutes in a solution of lukewarm water, liquid detergent, and a few drops of white vinegar. Rinse, Wash.

#### Blood

Rinse immediately or soak in cold water with enzyme presoak for 30 minutes or longer. Rinse. Rub detergent into any remaining stains. Rinse. If stain remains, put a few drops of 3% hydrogen peroxide on stain for 3-5 minutes. Rinse thoroughly. Wash.

#### Chewing gum

Use ice to make gum hard. Scrape off what you can. Sponge with a nonflammable fabric cleaner. Let dry. Wash.

#### Chocolate or coffee

Sponge immediately with a nonflammable fabric cleaner or apply a prewash soil and stain remover. Rinse. Wash. If stain remains, apply a liquid detergent to stain or soak in warm water with an enzyme presoak. Rewash.

#### Crayon or candle wax

Scrape off excess with a dull knife. Place fabric between two blotters or facial tissue. Press with warm iron. Remove color stain with nonflammable fabric cleaner. Hand wash until stain is gone. If full load is crayon stained, take to cleaners or coin-operated dry cleaning machine.

#### Cream, milk, or ice cream

Sponge with a nonflammable fabric cleaner, or a prewash soil and stain remover. Rinse. Wash. Repeat if necessary. If stain remains, apply a few drops of liquid detergent and a few drops of ammonia. Blot dry and rinse. If stain remains, soak in an enzyme presoak. Wash. *Light stain:* Treat with liquid detergent or your regular laundry detergent. Wash in hottest water safe for fabric.

*Heavy stain:* Place face down on towel and treat with a paste of ammonia and color-safe bleach. Let stand for 30 minutes. Wash in hottest water safe for fabric.

#### Fat, grease, or oil

Items soiled with vegetable or cooking oil should not be washed or dried. For other types of greasy stains, use one of the methods below:

- Use pretreatment stain remover. Follow label directions. Wash in hottest water safe for fabric.
- Use talcum powder to absorb as much grease as possible. Sponge with a nonflammable fabric cleaner. Rinse. Wash.
- Treat with liquid detergent or rub a detergent paste on the stain. Wash using hottest water safe for fabric.

#### Fruit stains

*Fresh stains:* Soak immediately in cool water. Wash. If stain remains, cover area with a paste made of color-safe bleach, a few drops of hot water, and a few drops of ammonia. Wait 15 to 30 minutes. Wash.

*Old stains:* Sponge with white vinegar. Rinse. Repeat procedure for fresh stains.

#### Grass or green vegetables

Soak in warm or cold water with an enzyme presoak for at least 30 minutes. Wash in water temperature and bleach safe for the fabric. For acetate, sponge with a nonflammable fabric cleaner. If stain remains, bleach with 3% hydrogen peroxide. Rinse. Rewash.

#### Ink or ballpoint pen ink

Pretreat using a prewash stain remover or dry cleaning solvent. Sponge stain continuously until all bleeding stops. Let dry. Repeat if necessary. Wash. If stain remains, bleach if safe for fabric.

**NOTE:** India and other indelible inks are almost impossible to remove completely.

#### Iron or rust

*Colored or non-colorfast items:* Apply lemon juice and salt. Place in the sun to dry. Rinse thoroughly. Repeat if necessary.

White or colorfast items: Try a rust remover. Test first on inside seam or hem. Some rust removers are not washer safe. Follow package directions.

#### Ketchup or tomato products

Sponge immediately with a nonflammable fabric cleaner or apply a prewash soil and stain remover. Rinse. Wash. If stain remains, apply a liquid detergent to stain or soak in warm water with an enzyme presoak. Rewash.

#### Lipstick

Apply nonflammable fabric cleaner or prewash soil and stain remover. Blot with absorbent material. Repeat if necessary. Rinse. If stain still remains, rub with liquid detergent. Wash.

#### Meat juice or egg

Scrape off excess with a dull knife. Soak in cold or warm water with enzyme presoak at least 30 minutes, or treat stains with a nonflammable fabric cleaner. Wash.

#### Mildew

Wash in hottest water safe for fabric. If stain remains, soak in warm water and a color-safe bleach for 15 to 30 minutes. Rewash. (Old mildew stains are almost impossible to remove. Mildew fungus destroys or weakens fabrics.) An alternative to bleach is to treat with salt and lemon juice and dry in direct sunlight. Rinse and rewash. Mildew may form if wet or damp laundry remains in your washer for extended periods of time. To prevent mildew, promptly dry laundry after washing.

#### Mustard

Treat immediately. Scrape off excess mustard. Sponge with a nonflammable fabric cleaner or a prewash soil and stain remover. Rinse. Work liquid detergent and a few drops of vinegar into stain. Rinse. If stain remains, apply 3% hydrogen peroxide. Rinse and wash.

#### Paint

Hand wash paint-stained items. *Water base:* Treat stains while still wet. (These paints cannot be removed after they have dried.) Rinse in warm water to flush out paint. Sponge with a nonflammable fabric cleaner. Rinse. Wash.

*Oil base:* Scrape off fresh paint. Sponge with a nonflammable fabric cleaner. While stain is still wet with solvent, rub liquid detergent into it. Wash with hottest water safe for fabric.

#### Perspiration

Remove stains before ironing. Perspiration stains may weaken fabric. Wash or sponge stain thoroughly with detergent and warm water. If perspiration has changed the color of the fabric, use one of the following treatments:

*Fresh stains:* Apply arnmonia to stain. Rinse. Launder to remove ammonia odor. *Cld stains:* Apply white vinegar to stain. Rinse. Launder to remove vinegar odor.

#### Scorch

Severe scorch cannot be removed. Wet stain with 3% hydrogen peroxide. Cover with a dry cloth and press with an iron as hot as is safe for the fabric. Rinse well. Wash.

#### OR

Wet with lemon juice and spread in the sun to dry. Wash.

#### Soft drinks

Sponge immediately with cold water. Heat and detergent may set stain.

## CARING FOR YOUR LAUNDRY CENTER

This section explains how to care for your laundry center properly and safely.

## for your Benefit

Proper care of your laundry center can extend its life and help you avoid costly service calls.

#### **CLEANING YOUR WASHER**

#### EXTERIOR

Wipe up detergent, bleach, and other spills with a soft, damp cloth or sponge as they occur. Occasionally wipe the outside of the washer to keep it looking like new.

Do not put sharp or metal objects in your washer. They can damage the finish. Check all pockets for pins, clips, money, bolts, nuts, etc. Do not lay these objects on your laundry center after emptying pockets.

#### INTERIOR

Clean interior with 1 cup of chlorine bleach mixed with 2 cups of detergent. Run washer through a complete cycle using hot water. Repeat process if necessary.

**NOTE:** Remove hard water deposits using only cleaners labeled as washer safe.

#### WATER INLET HOSES

Replace inlet hoses after five years of use to reduce the risk of hose failure. Periodically inspect and replace inlet hoses if you find bulges, kinks, cuts, wear, or leaks. When replacing your inlet hoses, mark the date of replacement on the label with a permanent marker.

#### **CLEANING YOUR DRYER**

#### EXTERIOR

Use a soft, damp cloth to clean the cabinet and console. Avoid using harsh abrasives. Do not put sharp metal objects on or in your dryer. They can damage the finish.

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#### INTERIOR



Use nonflammable cleaners. Failure to do so can result in death, explosion, fire, or burns.

Garments that contain unstable dyes, such as denim blue jeans or brightly colored cotton items, may discolor the drum interior.

#### To clean dryer drum:

STEP 1. Make a paste with detergent and very warm water and apply to a soft cloth. Continue with STEPS 2-4.

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**STEP 1a.** Spray nonflammable liquid household cleaner on the stained area. Continue with STEPS 2-4.

**STEP 2.** Scrub area until all excess dye is removed.



**STEP 3.** Wipe thoroughly with a damp cloth.

**STEP 4.** Turnible a load of clean towels for 20 minutes to dry.

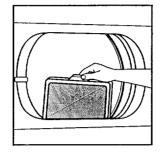
#### **CLEANING THE LINT SCREEN**

#### **Remove Lint Before Every Load**

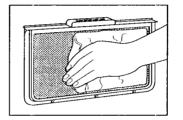
The lint screen is located in the dryer door opening. Remove lint before every load. A screen blocked by lint can increase drying time.

#### To clean:

**STEP 1.** Pull the lint screen straight up.



**STEP 2.** Roll lint off the screen with your fingers. Do not rinse or wash screen to remove lint. Wet lint is hard to remove.



**STEP 3.** Push the lint screen firmly back into place.

#### IMPORTANT:

- Do not run the dryer with the lint screen loose, damaged, blocked, or missing.
   Doing so can cause overheating and damage to both the dryer and fabrics.
- Some towels 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.

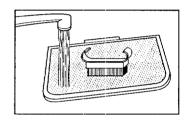
#### Wash Lint Screen As Needed

Laundry detergents and fabric softeners can cause a residue buildup on the lint screen. Wash the lint screen with a nylon brush if it becomes clogged due to a residue buildup.

#### To clean:

STEP 1. Wet both sides of lint screen with hot water.

STEP 2. Wet a nylon brush with hot water and liquid detergent; scrub lint screen with the brush to remove residue buildup.



STEP 3. Rinse screen with hot water.

STEP 4. Thoroughly dry lint screen with a clean towel; replace in dryer.



## CHECKING FOR AIR FLOW OBSTRUCTION

From time to time, you may find it helpful to check your laundry center and exhaust system for proper air flow. Poor air flow can result in longer drying times.

To check for air flow obstruction: STEP 1. Check to ensure nothing is blocking ventilation slots on laundry center rear panel.

STEP 2. Inspect exhaust hood. It should not be blocked or obstructed.

#### REMOVING ACCUMULATED LINT

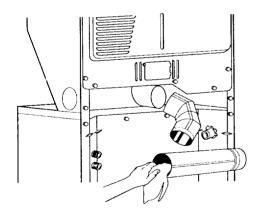
Lint can gather inside the exhaust vent or dryer and be fuel for a fire. Lint should be removed every 2 to 3 years, or more often, depending on dryer usage. Cleaning should be done by a qualified service person.

## To remove accumulated lint from exhaust vent:

**STEP 1.** Disconnect exhaust vent from the laundry center.

**STEP 2.** Clean one section of vent at a time until you reach the exhaust hood. To clean out lint, you can use the hose attachment on your vacuum or, use a pole or wire with a feather duster or rag attached.

**STEP 3.** Reconnect vent as described in the "INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS" of this Owner's Manual.



To remove accumulated lint from inside the dryer:

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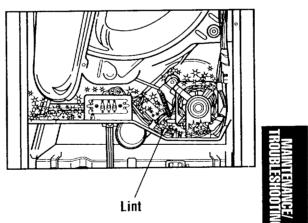


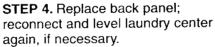
Electrical Shock Hazard Disconnect power before cleaning. Replace all panels before operating. Failure to follow these instructions can result in death or electrical shock.

**STEP 1.** Unplug the power supply cord or turn off the electrical power supply.

**STEP 2.** Remove back panel by removing the screws along the frame.

**STEP 3.** Remove lint from the dryer base with dusting brush or vacuum cleaner attachment. Avoid damaging wires or electric thermostats.





#### WINTER STORAGE

Install and store your laundry center where it will not freeze. Because some water may stay in the hoses, freezing can damage your laundry center. If storing or moving your laundry center during freezing weather winterize it.

#### To winterize laundry center:

- 1. Shut off both water faucets.
- 2. Disconnect and drain water inlet hoses.
- 3. Put 1 quart of R.V.-type antifreeze in the basket.
- 4. Run washer on a spin setting for about 30 seconds to mix the antifreeze and water. Some of the mixture will pump out while the washer spins.
- 5. Unplug the power supply cord.

#### To use laundry center again:

- 1. Flush water pipes and hoses.
- 2. Reconnect water inlet hoses.
- 3. Turn on both water faucets.
- 4. Reconnect power supply cord.
- 5. Run the washer through a complete cycle with 1 cup of detergent to clean out antifreeze.

#### NON-USE OR VACATION CARE

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

- Unplug the power supply cord or turn off electrical power to the laundry center.
- Turn off the water supply to the laundry center. This helps avoid accidental flooding (due to a water pressure surge) while you are away.
- Wash dryer lint screen.

#### **MOVING CARE**

- Unplug the power supply cord or turn off electrical power to the laundry center.
- Make sure leveling legs are secure.
- Use masking tape to secure washer lid and dryer door.

## **TROUBLESHOOTING – WASHER**

Most laundering problems are easily solved if you understand the cause. Check these tables for common laundry

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and washer problems. If you need further assistance, see page 66.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Washer Leaks	Household plumbing is leaking.	Repair plumbing.
	Inlet hoses not tight.	Tighten hoses (see "INSTALLATION," Sections E & F)
	Inlet hose washers not properly seated.	Reseat washers (see "INSTALLATION," Section E).
	Drain hose not properly clamped or is off.	Clamp drain hose (see "INSTALLATION," Section D).
	Drain is clogged.	Remove drain clogs. Laundry tub, standpipe, or floor drain must be able to handle 17 gallons of water per minute
	Tub moved forward during unloading, causing water to deflect off of tub ring.	Ensure tub is centered before starting washer.
	Laundry center not level causing water to deflect off of tub ring.	Ensure front feet are installed and nuts are tightened. Level laundry center. Reset rear legs (see "INSTALLATION," Section H).
	Load is unbalanced. Spray rinses are deflecting off of load.	Redistribute the load.
	Washer is overloaded. Fills or spray rinses are deflecting off of load.	Reduce load size.
Won't Drain/ Won't Spin/	Drain hose is kinked or clogged.	Straighten or unplug hose (see "INSTALLATION," Section D).
Wet Loads	Correct operation of neutral drain.	After a wash or rinse, the washer will drain without spinning. After draining, the spinning begins.
	Lid is open.	Close the lid.
	Drain hose is more than 96 inches above floor.	Lower drain hose (see "INSTALLATION," Section D).
	Too much detergent – excessive sudsing.	Use less detergent.
	Wrong cycle for load being washed.	Choose a cycle with a higher spin speed (see "OPERATION").

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Won't Drain/ Won't Spin/ Wet Loads	Low voltage or using an extension cord.	Check electrical source or call electrician. Do not use an extension cord.
(cont'd)	Cold rinses.	Cold rinses leave loads wetter than warm rinses. This is normal.
Continues to Fill/	Drain hose is less than 39 inches above floor.	Raise the drain hose (see "INSTALLATION," Section D).
Continues to Drain/ Cycle Stuck	Drain hose fits tightly into standpipe.	Adjust drain hose for loose fit (see "INSTALLATION," Section D).
	Drain hose taped into standpipe.	Do not seal off drain hose with tape. The drain hose needs an air gap.
Washer Makes	Load is unbalanced.	Redistribute load.
Noise	Laundry center is not level. Rear leveling legs not set.	Level laundry center. Reset rear legs (see "INSTALLATION," Section H).
	Nuts on front feet not tight.	Tighten nuts (see "INSTALLATION," Section H).
	Yellow shipping strap with cotter pins not completely removed.	Remove strap with cotter pins (see "INSTALLATION," Section C).
	Floor not strong enough to support laundry center.	Relocate laundry center (see "INSTALLATION," Section A).
	Gears engaging after drain and before spin.	This is normal.
	Upper part of agitator clicks during wash.	This is normal.
Won't Fill/ Won't Rinse/	Water inlet valve screens are plugged.	Clean screens.
Won't Agitate/ Wrong	Water is turned off.	Turn on water.
Temperature	Hot and cold hoses are reversed.	Reverse hoses (see "INSTALLATION," Sections E & F).
	Inlet hose is kinked.	Straighten hoses.
	Timer dial is not lined up.	Turn timer knob to the right slightly and pull to start.
	Power cord not plugged in.	Plug in power cord.

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Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Machine	Power cord not plugged in.	Plug in power cord.
Stops	No power at plug.	Check electrical source or call electrician.
	Fuse blown or circuit breaker open.	Replace fuse or reset circuit breaker. If problem continues, call electrician.
	Using an extension cord.	Do not use an extension cord.
	Timer is not lined up.	Turn timer to the right slightly and pull to start.
	Timer knob not pulled out.	Set and pull out knob.
	Washer at pause in PERMANENT PRESS Cycle (approximately two minutes).	Allow cycle to continue (see "OPERATION").
	Machine is overloaded.	Wash smaller loads.
Agitator Not Working	The top of the agitator moves only in one direction.	This is normal.
	The top of the agitator is loose.	This is normal.
Water Level Too Low/Not Completely Filling	The top of the agitator is much higher than the highest water level. This creates a perception of the washer not being full.	This is normal.
Tub is Crooked	Tub pulled forward when unloading.	Ensure tub is centered before starting washer.
	Tub moves.	This is normal.
	Laundry center not level.	Ensure front feet are installed and nuts are tightened. Level laundry center. Reset rear legs (see "INSTALLATION," Section H).
Lint on Load	Improper sorting.	Sort lint givers from lint takers and by color.
	Overloading.	Lint can be trapped in load if overloaded. Wash smaller loads.
	Paper or tissue in pockets.	Clean out pockets before washing.
	Not enough detergent.	Use enough detergent to hold lint in water.
	Detergent not dissolving.	Use wash water warmer than 70°F.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Tearing	Overloading. Improper use of washer.	Loads should move freely during wash. Wash smaller loads.
	Improper use of chlorine bleach. Undiluted bleach will damage fabrics.	Do not pour chlorine bleach directly on load. Wipe up bleach spills.
	Sharp items not removed from pockets; fasteners not fastened.	Clean out pockets before washing. Zip zippers before washing.
	Items damaged before washing.	Mend rips and broken threads in seams before washing.
Stains on Load	Improper use of fabric softener in washer or dryer.	Dilute fabric softener and add to deep rinse only.
	Iron in water (rust).	Install an iron filter.
	Under use of detergent causing soil to be redeposited.	Use enough detergent to remove soil and hold it in suspension.
	Dye transfer due to not sorting loads properly.	Sort dark clothing from whites and lights.
	Dye transfer due to not unloading washer promptly.	Unload the washer as soon as it stops.
Load is	Not removing load promptly.	Unload the washer as soon as it stops.
Wrinkled	Wrong cycle for fabrics being washed.	Use cold rinses and cycles with slow spin speeds to reduce wrinkling.
	Overloading.	Loads should move freely during wash. Wash smaller loads.
	Wash water not warm enough to relax wrinkles. Using warm rinses.	If safe for fabric, use warm or hot wash water. Use cold rinse water.
	Hoses reversed.	Reverse hoses (see "INSTALLATION," Sections E & F).
Load is Tangled/	Overloading.	Loads should move freely during wash. Wash smaller loads.
Twisted	Clothes wrapped around agitator.	Do not wrap items around agitator when loading the washer.
Clogged	Not diluting softener.	Dilute fabric softener in dispenser.
Dispensers/ Bleach Leaking/ Bleach on	Use of color-safe bleach in chlorine bleach dispenser.	Add color-safe bleach directly to the basket. Do not use chlorine bleach dispenser.
Wrong Loads	Improper use of chlorine bleach.	Always measure bleach before adding to the dispenser. Carefully pour into the dispenser. Wipe up bleach spills.

## TROUBLESHOOTING - DRYER

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Not Drying	Lint screen is clogged with lint.	Clean lint screen.
Satisfactorily	Restricted air movement. Exhaust vent or outside exhaust hood is clogged with lint.	Run dryer for 5-10 minutes. Hold hand under outside exhaust hood to check air movement. If you do not feel air moving, clean exhaust system of lint or replace exhaust vent with rigid or flexible heavy metal vent (see "INSTALLATION," Section I).
	Exhaust vent is crushed or kinked.	Replace with rigid or flexible heavy metal vent (see "INSTALLATION," Section I).
	One fuse is blown or circuit breaker is tripped. The dryer will appear to operate, but you will not get any heat.	Replace fuse or reset breaker.
	Timer or the temperature control is set on AIR DRY.	Select the right cycle for the types of garments being dried (see "OPERATION").
	Fabric softener sheets blocking outlet grill.	Use only one softener sheet per load and only use it once.
	Dryer located in room with temperature below 45°F.	Move dryer where it can operate in ambient air temperatures above 45°F.
	Large amount of moisture in the load.	Expect longer dry times with items that hold more moisture (cottons).
	Cold rinse water used.	Expect longer dry times, but you are saving energy and reducing wrinkles.
	Load too large and bulky to dry quickly.	Separate load to tumble freely.
Dryer Will Not Run	Power cord not firmly plugged into a live circuit with proper voltage.	Plug power cord into a live circuit.
	Fuses blown or circuit breakers tripped.	Replace fuses or reset breakers.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Dryer Will	Using a regular fuse.	Replace with a time-delay fuse.
Not Run (cont'd)	Dryer door not firmly closed.	Close dryer door tightly.
	PUSH TO START DRYER Button not firmly pressed.	Press PUSH TO START DRYER Button again.
	Controls not set in an ON position.	Reset controls in an ON position.
Lint in Load	Lint screen is clogged.	Clean lint screen. Check for air movement.
	Improper sorting.	Sort lint givers from lint takers and by color.
	Load is too big or heavy.	Dry smaller loads so lint can be carried to the lint screen.
	Load is overdried.	Use correct dryer settings for fabric. Overdrying can cause lint-attracting static (see "OPERATION").
	Paper or tissue in pockets.	Clean out pockets before drying.
	Pilling being mistaken for lint.	Pilling (surface fuzz) is caused by normal wear and laundering.
Stains on Load	Improper use of fabric softener in washer.	Use fabric softener sheets in dryer. Add at beginning of cycle when load is cold.
	Drying soiled items.	Items need to be clean before being dried.
ltems Shrinking	Overdrying.	Match dryer settings to fabric type (see "OPERATION").
	Poor garment quality.	Check quality of garment before purchasing.
	Manufacturer's care label instructions not followed.	Follow fabric care label instructions carefully.
Loads are	Overloading.	Dry smaller loads that can tumble freely.
Wrinkled	Overdrying.	Match dryer settings to fabric type (see "OPERATION").
	Load left in dryer at the end of cycle.	Remove load as soon as tumbling stops.
Odors	Household chemicals, paint, or varnish being drawn into dryer.	Do not use dryer while these chemical fumes are in the air.
	First use of dryer element (electric only).	Will be gone after the first cycle.
Unusual Sounds	Thumping of rollers when laundry center has set.	Thump will go away after 5 minutes of drying.

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## SEARS MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

#### LAUNDRY CENTERS

"We Service What We Sell" is our assurance that you can depend on Sears for service. Your Kenmore Laundry Center has added value when you consider that Sears has service units nationwide, staffed with professional technicians trained on all appliances Sears sells. They have the knowledge and skills, tools, parts, and equipment to ensure our pledge to you that "We Service What We Sell."

#### Sears Maintenance Agreement

Maintain the value of your Laundry Center with a Sears Maintenance Agreement. Kenmore Laundry Centers are designed, manufactured, and tested for years of dependable operation. Yet any appliance may require service from time to time. The Sears Maintenance Agreement offers you an outstanding service program for your Kenmore Laundry Center.

#### The Sears Maintenance Agreement

- Is your way to buy tomorrow's service at today's prices.
- Eliminates repair bills resulting from normal use.
- Allows for as many service calls as required.
- Provides an annual Preventive Maintenance Check at your request to keep your laundry center in proper running condition.

For more information, call 1-800-827-6655.



For the repair or replacement parts you need delivered directly to your home Call 7 am - 7 pm, 7 days a week 1-800-366-PART (1-800-366-7278)

For the location of a Sears Parts and **Repair Center in your area** Call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

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1-800-4-REPAIR

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When requesting service or ordering parts, always give the following information:

- Product Name
   Part Name
- Model Number 
   Part Number





