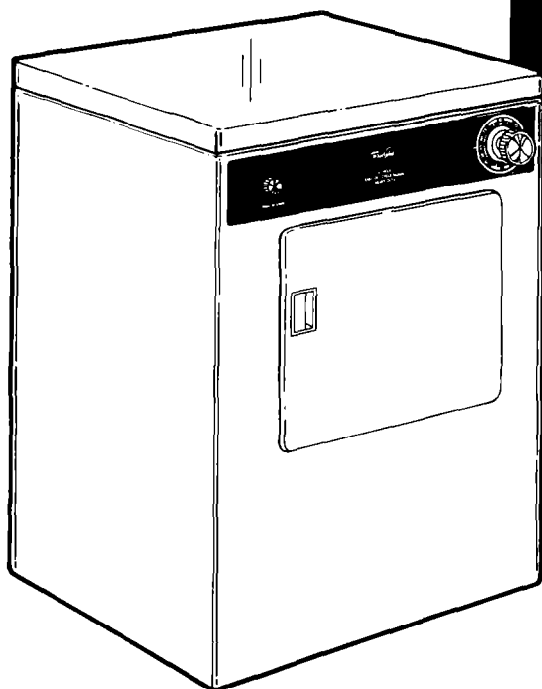


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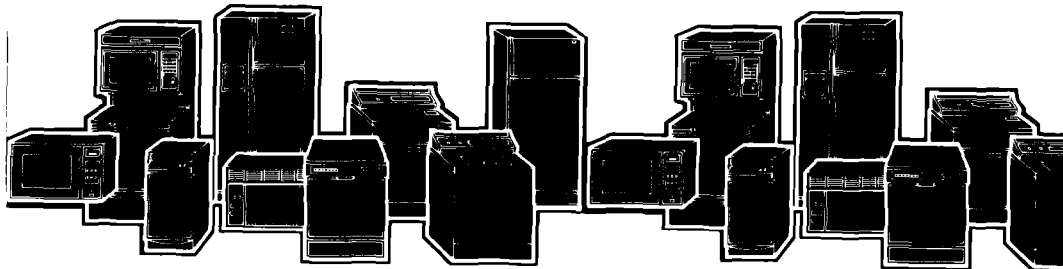
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## **AUTOMATIC DRYERS**

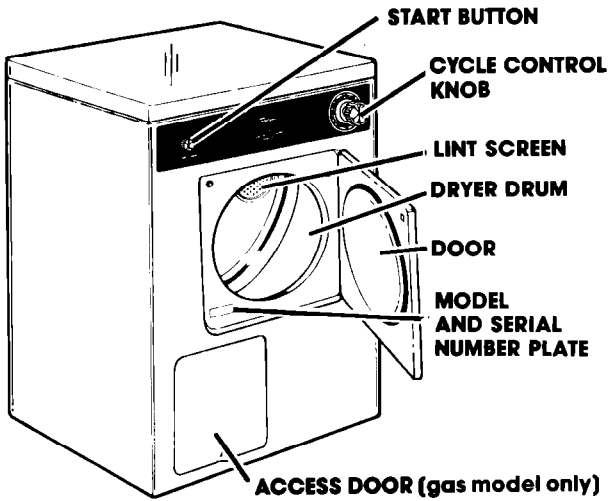
**Compact  
Electric Models  
LE4900XS (portable)  
LE4930XS**

**Gas Model  
LG4931XS**

Microwave Ovens, Trash Compactors, Room Air Conditioners, Dehumidifiers, Automatic Washers, Clothes Dryers, Freezers, Refrigerator-F



# Parts and features



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

Wipe out the dryer drum with a damp cloth to remove dust from storing or shipping.

## Copy your Model and Serial Numbers here

When you need service or call with a question, have this information ready:

- 1. Complete** Model and Serial Numbers (from the plate located as shown).
- Purchase date from sales slip.

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

**Please complete and mail the Owner Registration Card furnished with this product.**

\_\_\_\_\_

Model Number

\_\_\_\_\_

Serial Number

\_\_\_\_\_

Purchase Date

\_\_\_\_\_

Service Company  
Telephone Number

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# Important safety instructions



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

Read these laundry instructions carefully for important use and safety information before using your dryer.

**NEVER** dry items cleaned, washed, soaked in or spotted with wax, paint, gasoline, or flammable fluids in the dryer. The fumes can create a **FIRE HAZARD** or **EXPLOSION**. **ALWAYS** hand launder and air dry fabrics containing these materials.

**NEVER** allow children to operate, play with, or crawl inside the dryer. Close supervision of children is necessary when the dryer is used near children.

When discarding an old dryer, **ALWAYS** remove the door to prevent accidental entrapment.

**DO NOT** reach into a dryer if the drum is moving.

**DO NOT** install or store dryer where it will be exposed to the weather.

**DO NOT** tamper with the controls.

Dryer must be electrically grounded. See the "Installation Instructions."

**You are personally responsible for making sure that your dryer** is installed, repaired and parts replaced by a qualified person.

Use only fabric softeners specifically labeled as not being harmful to the dryer. **FIRE HAZARD** and **DAMAGE** to materials can result from:

- drying rubber, rubber-like and heat sensitive materials with heat.
- allowing lint build-up inside the dryer or exhaust system – cleaning should be done periodically by a qualified person.

Clean lint screen before or after each load.

**DO NOT** let dust, lint, paper, rags, chemicals, etc. pile up around or under the dryer.

• **SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS** •

## Additional Safety Instructions and Your Responsibilities

**NEVER** operate the dryer if...

- it is not working right (i.e. noisy, too hot).
- it is damaged.
- parts are missing (i.e. door latch).
- all panels are not in place.
- the lint screen is loose, damaged or missing.

### FOR YOUR SAFETY

If you smell gas:

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

### FOR YOUR SAFETY

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

**ALWAYS** shut off the gas valve before leaving on vacation.

**ALWAYS** unplug the power supply cord or turn off electrical power before attempting to service the dryer. Shut off **GAS VALVE** if yours is a gas dryer.

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

- is properly maintained.
- is properly installed and leveled in a well ventilated room\* on a floor that can support the weight.
- is located in an area where the temperature is above 45°F (7.2°C).
- is connected to the proper outlet and electrical supply.\*
- is properly connected to fuel and exhaust systems.\*
- is not installed against drapes or curtains.\*
- is used only for jobs normally expected of home clothes dryers.
- is not used by children or anyone unable to operate it properly.

\*See "Installation Instructions" for complete information.

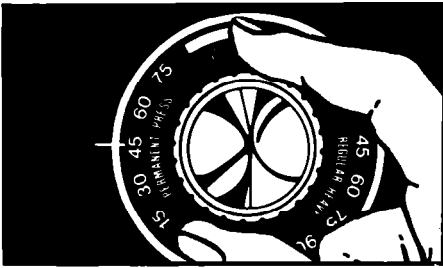
# Operating instructions

## Starting Your Dryer

Before starting your dryer, be sure laundry is sorted and loaded properly (see your "Dryer Guide"). **Be sure the door is tightly closed.**

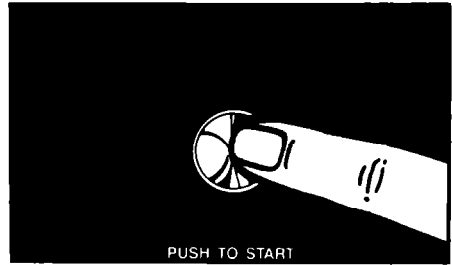


### 1. Select a CYCLE



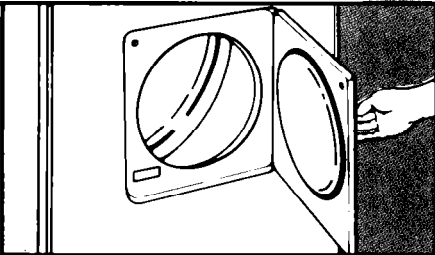
Turn the Control Knob either way to point to the cycle and time setting you want.

### 2. Set TEMPERATURE SELECTOR



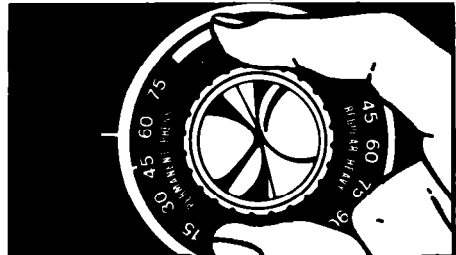
The dryer will start tumbling when you push the START Button.

### 3. Push the START Button



**To stop** the dryer, open the door (or turn the Control Knob to OFF).  
**To restart** the dryer, close the door, select cycle, if necessary, and push START.

### To stop and restart the dryer



The setting can be changed at any time by turning the Control Knob to a new setting.

**The Cycle Control Knob should point to an OFF area when the dryer is not in use. If the dryer is stopped before the cycle is finished, turn the Cycle Control Knob to an OFF area.**

## Selecting a Cycle

Dryer cycles are designed for the proper drying of different kinds of fabrics. This dryer has 3 cycles:

**REGULAR HEAVY** – The heat is off during the last 5 minutes of tumbling. The load is cooled down for more comfortable handling.


**AIR** – No heat. This cycle is useful when drying heat-sensitive items or when fluffing pillows and bedding or dusting sheers and curtains.

**PERMANENT PRESS** – The heat is off during the last 10 minutes of tumbling to help keep wrinkles from setting in. Clothing wrinkled from packing in suitcases or closets can be smoothed out by tumbling them in this cycle for about 20 minutes.



**WARNING: Drying plastic or rubber items with heat may damage the items or be a FIRE HAZARD.**

| TYPE OF LOAD  | SUGGESTED CYCLE |
|---|-----------------|
| <b>COTTONS</b>  |                 |
| HEAVY – Bedspreads, mattress pads, quilts   | REGULAR HEAVY   |
| MEDIUM AND LIGHTWEIGHT – Shirts, dresses, sheets, diapers, towels, work clothes                         | REGULAR HEAVY   |
| <b>PERMANENT PRESS</b>  |                 |
| HEAVY – Work clothes, jackets, raincoats, etc.  | PERMANENT PRESS |
| MEDIUMWEIGHT – Shirts, uniforms, dresses, slacks, etc.  | PERMANENT PRESS |
| <b>KNITS</b>  |                 |
| HEAVYWEIGHT – COTTONS, RAYONS, BLENDS – T-Shirts, slacks, polo shirts, etc.                             | PERMANENT PRESS |
| LIGHTWEIGHT – SYNTHETIC FIBERS (polyester, acrylic, etc.) AND BLENDS – Lingerie, blouses, dresses, etc. | PERMANENT PRESS |
| <b>DELICATELY CONSTRUCTED FABRICS –</b>   |                 |
| Sheer Curtains (2 or 3 panels)  | PERMANENT PRESS |
| <b>RUBBER, PLASTIC, HEAT SENSITIVE MATERIALS</b>  |                 |
| Foam pillows, bras, etc.  | AIR             |
| Plastic shower curtains, tablecloths  | AIR             |
| Rubber backed rugs  | AIR             |
| Olefin, polypropylene, sheer nylon  | AIR             |



**WARNING: Drying these and other heat-sensitive materials with heat can damage them or be a FIRE HAZARD.**

## Drying times

Drying times will vary depending on:

- amount of moisture in the clothes.
- type and weight of the fabric.
- size of the load.
- room temperature around the dryer.
- voltage used. See page 9 of this book for voltage information.

See your "Dryer Guide" for more information.

**DO NOT OVERDRY.** Overdrying can cause shrinkage, static cling, and can damage some fabrics.

## Mixed loads

When drying a load with different kinds and weights of fabrics, use the cycle suggested for the lightest fabrics. When the dryer stops, remove dry items and reset the control.

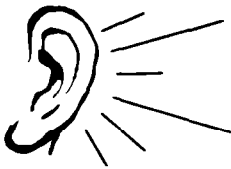
To help reduce wrinkling, take the load from the dryer **as soon as tumbling stops**. This is very important for permanent press, knits and other synthetic fabrics.

## Suggested load sizes

Use these load size recommendations for your **compact dryer**. **Do not use** the load sizes for larger capacity dryers that are listed in the "Dryer Guide."

| MIXED LOAD   | HEAVY WORK CLOTHES                          | TOWELS   |
|--|---|--|
| 1 pair slacks<br>2 pillowcases<br>2 shirts<br>2 T-shirts   | 3 work shirts<br>2 pair pants               | 9 bath towels<br>– or –<br>6 bath towels<br>3 hand towels<br>6 wash cloths |
| PERMANENT PRESS  | KNITS                                       | DELICATES  |
| 6 shirts<br>– or –<br>2 double sheets<br>2 pillowcases<br>– or –<br>2 single sheets<br>2 pillowcases | 2 slacks<br>2 shirts<br>– or –<br>3 dresses | 1 camisole<br>2 slips<br>2 panties<br>2 bras<br>1 nightie<br>1 half slip   |

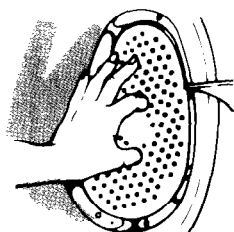
## End-of-cycle signal



The dryer sounds a signal to let you know when the cycle is finished. The signal cannot be turned off and is not adjustable.

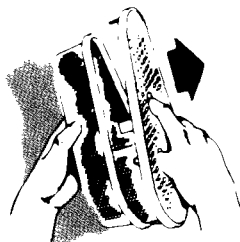
The signal is helpful when you are drying permanent press, synthetics and other items that should be taken out as soon as the dryer stops.

# Lint screen



Pull straight out.

The lint screen is inside the dryer drum, on the back wall. **Clean it before each load.** A screen blocked by lint can increase drying time.



Squeeze body; pull cover off.

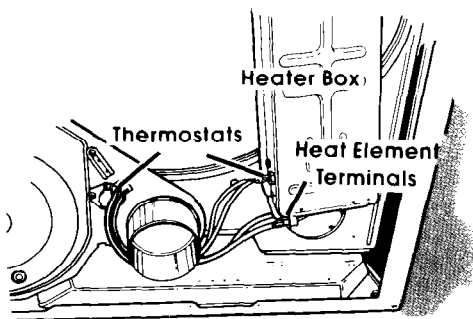
1. Use the finger holes to pull the lint screen straight out.
2. Lightly squeeze the body, as shown, while pulling the cover off.
3. Roll lint off the screen with your fingers. **DO NOT** rinse or wash the screen. Wet lint is hard to remove.
4. Replace the cover on the body of the lint screen.
5. Push the lint screen straight back in until it clicks into place.



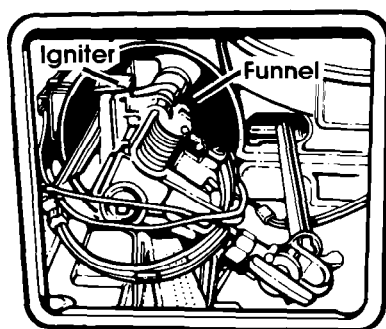
**WARNING: DO NOT** run the dryer with the lint screen loose, damaged, blocked or missing. Doing so can cause overheating, damage fabrics and can be a **FIRE HAZARD**.

# Lint removal

Lint can gather inside the dryer and create a **FIRE HAZARD**. This lint should be removed at least every 2 to 3 years, or more often, depending on dryer usage.



**ELECTRIC DRYERS**



**GAS DRYERS**

**Cleaning should be done only by a qualified person.**

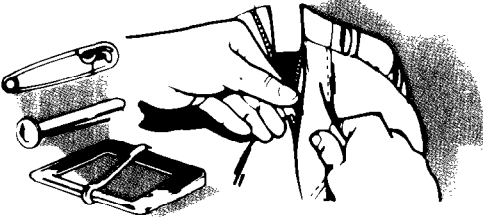


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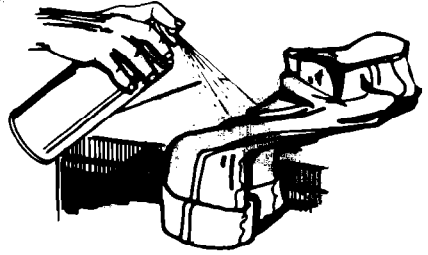
- Avoid electrical shock hazard – unplug power supply cord or turn off electrical power.
- Avoid injury or damage – do not put hands inside cabinet.
- Make sure dryer is cool.

1. Remove back panel (electric) or lower access panel (gas).
2. Avoid damaging wires, thermostats, funnel or igniter.
3. Remove lint from shaded area – see art – with a soft brush or vacuum cleaner.
4. Replace panel; reconnect and re-level dryer.

# Caring for your dryer



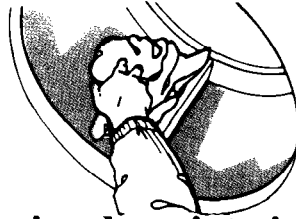
**Remove loose and sharp objects** from pockets and cuffs before drying – pins, buckles, etc. **Close metal zippers.**



**Some pretreatment products** can damage dials, consoles and finish. Do not use these products on or near your dryer.



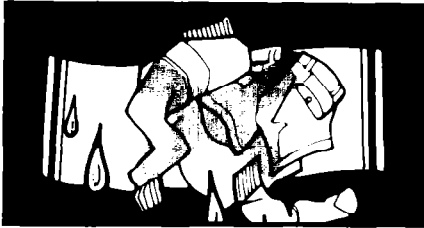
**Wipe off all spills** with a damp, soft cloth. Spills allowed to remain may dull or damage the finish.



## Cleaning dryer interior



**WARNING:** Before cleaning interior, unplug power supply cord or, turn off electrical power to avoid electrical shock hazard.



**Never** leave wet or damp laundry in your dryer.

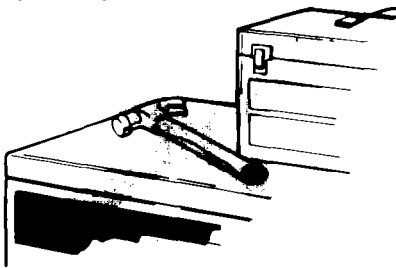
Garments which contain unstable dyes, such as denim blue jeans or brightly colored cotton items, may discolor the dryer interior. If the interior is discolored, clean with one of the following methods to avoid staining later load items.

### **Powdered laundry detergent and very warm water**

Make a paste with detergent and very warm water. Apply paste to a soft cloth and scrub area until all excess dye is removed. Wipe thoroughly with a damp cloth. Tumble a load of rags. –OR–

### **Liquid spray household cleaner**

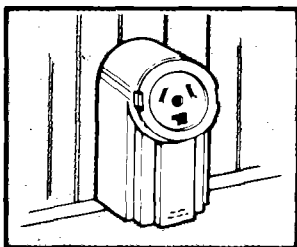
Spray on stained area. Rub with a cloth until all excess dye is removed. Tumble a load of rags.



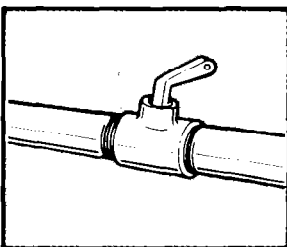
**Sharp or heavy objects** should never be put on or in the dryer. Check pockets for bolts, nuts, etc.



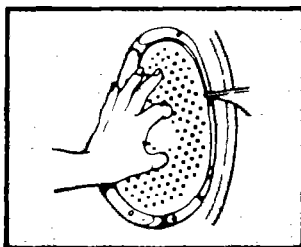
## Vacation care



Unplug power cord or turn off electrical power.



For gas dryers, close gas valve.



Clean lint screen.

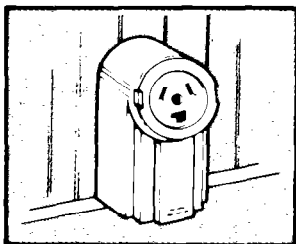
## Voltage Requirements

**Dryer Model LE4930XS** operates on household current of 240 or 208 volts.

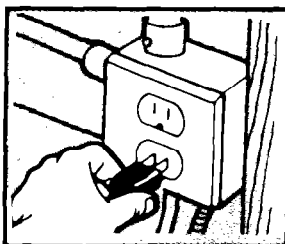
Dryer times will be longer if 208 volt current is used.

**Dryer Models LE4900XS and LG4931XS** operate on household current of 120 volts.

Drying times will be longer than for dryers that operate on 240 volts.



Power supply for  
Dryer Model LE4930XS



Power supply for  
Dryer Models LE4900XS  
LG4931XS

## Optional Installation Accessories

The WINDOW EXHAUST KIT (Part No. LCK 3000) is a convenient way to exhaust your dryer through a window.

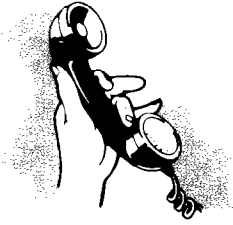
An EXHAUST DEFLECTOR (Part No. LCK 4000) moves dryer exhaust to the side or up or down.

The dryer can be mounted on a wall with the DRYER WALL MOUNT KIT (Part No. LCK 2001 – FOR ELECTRIC DRYERS ONLY). **The wall must be strong enough to support the weight. Not to be used in mobile homes.** This allows you to have an eye level dryer with floor space beneath for a washer.

The dryer can be mounted on a stand at eye level with the STACK RACK KIT (Part No. LCK 1100). A compact washer can be permanently installed and operated under the dryer.

Another STACK RACK KIT (Part No. LCK 1000) is available for washers that will only be stored under the dryer.

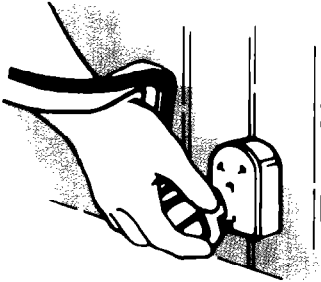
# If you need service or assistance, we suggest you follow these five steps:



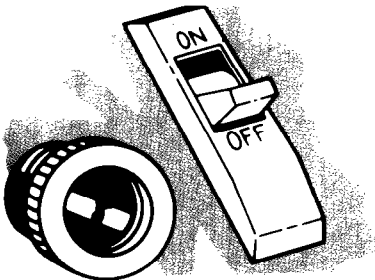
## 1. Before calling for assistance...

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

### IF YOUR DRYER DOES NOT RUN:



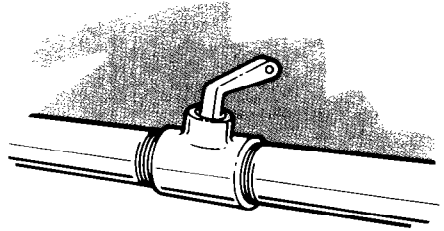
- Is the power supply cord plugged into a live circuit with the proper voltage?
- Is the door closed tightly?
- Do you push the START Button?



- Have you checked your home's main fuses or circuit breaker box?

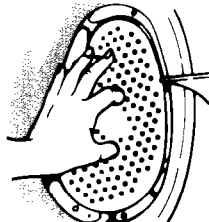
### IF YOUR DRYER DOES NOT HEAT:

- The AIR setting is without heat.
- The last minutes of heat settings are without heat.



- Is the gas turned on? If not, turn the Control Knob to OFF. Turn on gas. Wait 5 minutes. Reset controls and start.
- An electric dryer uses a circuit breaker or 2 fuses. If one fuse is blown, the dryer may run, but not heat.

### IF DRYING TIME SEEMS LONG:



Pull straight out.



Squeeze body; pull cover off.

- Is the lint screen clean? See page 7 of this book for cleaning instructions.
- See page 5 of this book and your "Dryer Guide."

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

Call Whirlpool COOL-LINE® service assistance telephone number. Dial free from anywhere in the U.S.:  
**1-800-253-1301**

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

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



Whirlpool has a nationwide network of franchised TECH-CARE® Service Companies. TECH-CARE

service technicians are trained to fulfill the product warranty and provide after-warranty service, anywhere in the United States. To locate TECH-CARE service in your area, call our COOL-LINE service assistance telephone number (see Step 2) or look in your telephone directory Yellow Pages under:

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 MAJOR - SERVICE & REPAIR

ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES -  
 MAJOR - REPAIRING & PARTS

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## 4. If you have a problem\*...

Call our COOL-LINE service assistance telephone number (see Step 2) and talk with one of our Consultants, or if you prefer, write to:

Mr. Robert Stanley  
 Division Vice President  
 Whirlpool Corporation  
 2000 M-63  
 Benton Harbor, MI 49022

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\*If you must call or write, please provide: model number, serial number, date of purchase, and a complete description of the problem. This information is needed in order to better respond to your request for assistance.

# WHIRLPOOL<sup>™</sup> DRYER WARRANTY

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| LENGTH OF WARRANTY  | WHIRLPOOL WILL PAY FOR   |
|---|--|
| <b>FULL ONE-YEAR WARRANTY</b><br>From Date of Purchase  | FSP <sup>®</sup> replacement parts and repair labor to correct defects in materials or workmanship. Service must be provided by a franchised TECH-CARE <sup>™</sup> service company. |
| <b>WHIRLPOOL WILL NOT PAY FOR</b>   |  |
| <b>A. Service calls to:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Correct the installation of the dryer.</li><li>2. Instruct you how to use the dryer.</li><li>3. Replace house fuses or correct house wiring or plumbing.</li><li>4. Replace light bulbs.</li></ol> <b>B. Repairs when dryer is used in other than normal, single-family household use.</b><br><b>C. Pick up and delivery.</b> This product is designed to be repaired in the home.<br><b>D. Damage to dryer caused by accident, misuse, fire, flood, acts of God or use of products not approved by Whirlpool.</b> |  |

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