



Models: DCLR333ET DCLR333GT

Dryer

Owner's Manual

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Welcome

Welcome to the GE family. We're proud of our **quality** products and we believe in dependable service. You'll see it in this **easy-to-use** manual and you'll hear it in the friendly voices of our customer **service** department.

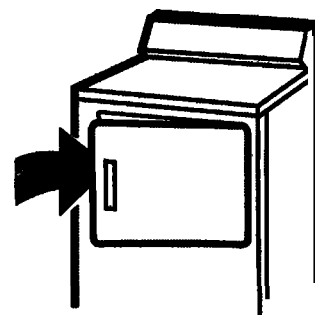
Best of all, you'll experience these values each time you do the laundry. That's important, because your new dryer will be part of your **family** for along time.

Start Here!

*Before
using
your
dryer*

Staple your receipt to the inside back cover of **this** manual.

Write down the model and serial numbers here. They are **on** the label **on** the front of the dryer behind the door.



Model number

Serial number

Date of purchase

Need Help?

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help you*

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Before you call for service, there are a few **things** you can do to help us serve you better.

Read **this** manual. It contains instructions to help you use and maintain your dryer properly.

Save time and money Check the section titled "If Something Goes Wrong" before calling. This section was designed to solve common problems you might encounter.

If you do need service, you can relax knowing help is only **a phone call** away. A list of toll-free customer **service** numbers is included on the inside back cover. Or call the **GE Answer Center®** at 800.626.2000, 24 hours **a** day, **7** days **a** week.

Para **obtener** la version en **español de este** manual, name a GE Answer Center", **servicio de información para el consumidor**, **teléfono** 800.626.2000.

Important Safety Information

Read all safety information before using

A WARNING: For your safety **the** information in this manual must be followed to **minimize** the risk **of fire** or explosion or to prevent property damage, personal **injury** or loss of **life**.

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

Instigation and service must be performed by a **qualified installer, service** agency or the gas supplier.

IF YOU SMELL GAS

1 Do not try to light any appliance.

2 Do not touch any electrical switch; do not use any phone in your building.

3 Clear the room, building or area of all occupants.

4 Immediate@ call your gas supplier from a neighbor's phone. Follow the gas supplier's instructions.

5 If you cannot reach _{yo}ur gas supplier, call the fire department.

A California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act

This act requires the governor of **California** to publish a list of substances known to **the** state to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm and requires businesses to warn customers of potential exposure to such substances.

Gas appliances can cause minor exposure to four of these substances, namely **benzene**, carbon monoxide, formaldehyde and soot, caused primarily by the incomplete combustion of natural gas or **LP** fuels.

Properly adjusted **dryers will minimize** incomplete combustion. **Exposure** to these substances can be **minimized further** by properly venting **the dryer to the** outdoors.



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Warning

To reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury to persons when using your appliance, follow basic precautions, including the following sections.

Safety Precautions

- Use this appliance only for its intended purpose as described in this Owner's Manual.
- This **dryer** must be properly **installed** and located in accordance with **the** Installation Instructions before it is used. If you did not receive an Installation Instructions sheet with your **dryer**, you can obtain one by calling, toll free, the GE Answer Center™, 800.626.2000.
- Properly ground to conform with all governing codes and ordinances. Follow details in Installation Instructions.
- Install or store where the temperature is above **50°F. (10°C.)**. Do not **install the dryer** where it will be exposed to the weather.
- Connect to a properly rated, protected and **sized** power supply circuit to avoid **electrical** overload.
- Gas dryers **MUST** be exhausted to **the outside**. Carefully follow the Exhausting details in the Installation Instructions.
- Exhausting electric **dryers** to the **outside** is **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED** to prevent large **amounts** of moisture and lint from being blown into the room. Carefully follow the Exhausting details in the Installation Instructions.
- Do not repair or replace any part of the appliance or attempt any **servicing** unless **specifically** recommended in this Owner's Manual or in published user-repair instructions that you understand and have the **skills** to carry out.
- **When** disconnecting this appliance pull by the plug rather **than** the cord to avoid damage to the cord **or junction** of cord and plug. **Make** sure that **the** cord is located so that it will not be stepped on, tripped over or **otherwise** subjected to damage or stress.

- . Exhaust **Duct—See** Installation Instructions. Use only rigid metal or flexible metal 4" diameter ductwork inside the **dryer** cabinet or for exhausting to the outside. **USE OF PLASTIC OR OTHER COMBUSTIBLE DUCTWORK CAN CAUSE A FIRE. PUNCTURED DUCTWORK CAN CAUSE A FIRE IF IT COLLAPSES OR BECOMES OTHERWISE RESTRICTED IN USE OR DURING INSTALLATION.**
- Do not **dry** articles **containing** rubber, plastic, or similar materials (such as padded bras, tennis shoes, galoshes, bath **mats**, rugs, bibs, baby pants, plastic bags, pillows, etc.) as these materials may melt **or** burn. Also, some rubber materials, when heated, can under certain **circumstances** produce fire by spontaneous combustion.
- Do not store items that may burn or melt (such as clothing, paper material, **plastics** or plastic **containers**, etc.) on top of the **dryer** during operation.
- Garments labeled 'Dry Away from Heat' or "**Do** not Tumble **Dry**" (such as **life jackets** containing Kapok) must not be put in your **dryer**.
- Do not wash or dry articles **that** have been cleaned in, washed in, soaked in, or spotted with combustible or explosive **substances** (such as wax, paint, oil, gasoline, **degreasers**, **dry-cleaning solvents**, kerosene, etc.) which may ignite or explode. Do not add these substances to the wash water. Do not use these **substances** around your washer and/or dryer during operation.
- Any article on which you have used a cleaning solvent, or which **contains** flammable materials (such **as** cleaning cloths, mops, towels used in beauty salons, restaurants, or barbershops, etc.) must not be placed in or near the dryer until all traces of **these** flammable liquids or solids and their fumes have been removed. There are many highly flammable items used in homes such as acetone, denatured alcohol, gasoline, kerosene, some household cleaners, some spot removers, turpentine, waxes, **wax** removers and products containing petroleum distillates.



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- Clean the lint filter before each load to prevent lint accumulation inside the dryer or in the room. **DO NOT OPERATE THE DRYER WITHOUT THE LINT FILTER IN PLACE.**
- **Keep the** area around and underneath your appliances free from the accumulation of combustible materials, such **as** lint, paper, rags, chemicals, etc.
- The interior of the machine and the exhaust duct connection inside the dryer should be cleaned periodically by a qualified individual.
- Never reach into the dryer while the drum is moving. **Before** loading, unloading or adding clothes, wait until the drum has completely stopped.
- Do not dry fiberglass articles in your **dryer**. Skin irritation could result from the remaining glass particles that may be picked up by clothing during **subsequent** dryer uses.
- The **laundry** process **can** reduce the flame **retardancy** of **fabrics**. To avoid such a result, the garment manufacturer's **care** instructions should be followed **very** carefully.
- Close supervision is **necessary** if this appliance is used by or near children. Do **not** allow children to play inside, on, or with this appliance or any discarded appliance. Dispose of discarded appliances and shipping or packing materials properly. **Before** discarding a dryer, or removing from service, remove the door of the dryer **compartment**.
- Keep all laundry aids (such as detergents, bleaches, fabric softeners, etc.) out of the reach of children, preferably in a locked cabinet. **Observe** all warnings on container labels to avoid personal injury.
- Keep the floor **around** your appliances clean and dry **to** reduce the possibility of slipping.
- **To** minimize the possibility of electric shock, unplug this appliance from the power supply or disconnect the dryer at the household distribution panel by removing the fuse or switching off the circuit breaker before attempting any maintenance or cleaning (except the **removal** and cleaning of the lint filter).
- **NOTE:** Turning the Cycle Selector knob to an OFF position does NOT disconnect the appliance from **the** power supply.

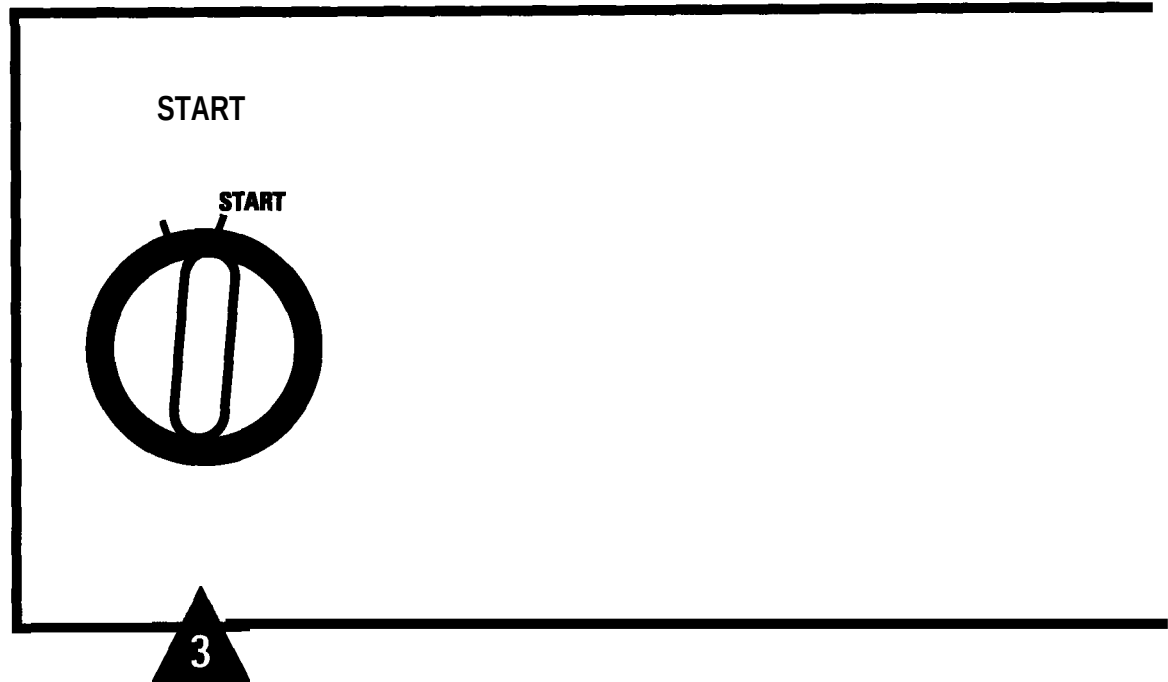


- . Do not tamper with the controls.
 - . Do not operate this appliance **if it** is damaged, malfunctioning, partially disassembled, or has missing or broken **parts**, including a damaged cord or plug.
 - Never climb on or stand on the **dryer** top.
 - . **If yours** is a gas dryer, it is equipped with an automatic electric ignition and does not have a pilot light. **DO NOT ATTEMPT TO LIGHT WITH A MATCH.** Burns may result from having your hand in the vicinity of the burner when the automatic ignition may turn on.
 - . You may wish to soften your laundered fabrics or reduce the static electricity in them by using **dryer-applied** fabric softeners or an antistatic conditioner. We recommend you use either a fabric softener in the wash cycle, according to the manufacturer's instructions for those **products**, or try a dryer-added product for which the manufacturer gives written assurance on the package that their product can be **safely** used in your dryer.
- Service** or performance **problems** caused by the use of these products are the responsibility of the manufacturers of those **products** and are **not** covered under the warranty of this appliance.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

Operating Instructions

*The
controls
on your
dryer*



A Clean the Lint Filter

Clean the lint **filter each** time you use the **dryer**.

CAUTION:

Do not operate the **dryer without** the **lint filter** in place.

A Selecting Drying Cycle

Select **an** automatic or timed cycle. See **the** above Cycle Descriptions.

Cycle Descriptions

Automatic Drying Cycles

Cycles automatically sense fabric dryness

Automatic Permanent Press

For **synthetic** blends and delicates. Select **More Dry** for heavier loads, **Less Dry** for lighter loads.

Automatic Cottons

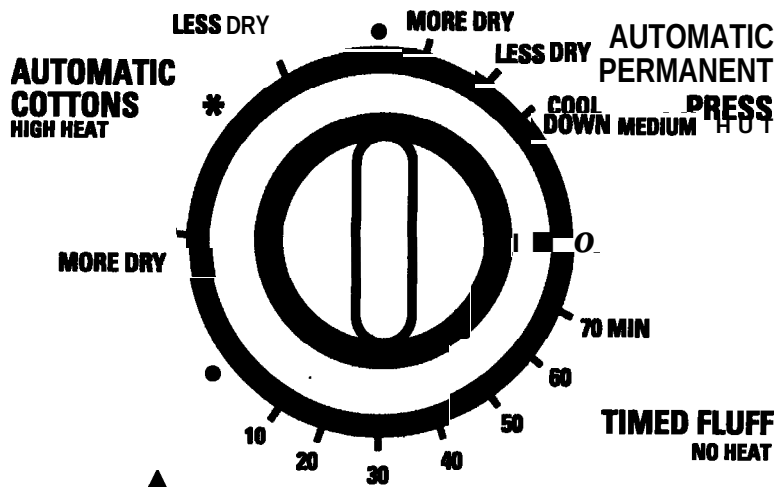
For cottons and most linens. For most loads select the Preferred Regular Setting marked with an *. Set towards **More Dry** for heavier and wetter fabrics, **Less Dry** for lighter fabrics.

Timed Fluff Cycle

Cycle runs for a selected time

Timed Fluff

For "fluffing" items without heat.



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A Starting Dryer

- Close the **dryer door**.
- . Select **START**.

Opening the door during the **operation** will stop the **dryer**. To restart the **dryer**, close the door and select **START** to complete the **cycle**.

NOTE:

Automatic drying times will **vary according** to the **type** of heat used (**Electric, Natural or LP gas**), size of load, **types of fabrics**, wetness of clothes and condition of exhaust **ducts**.

See next page for other dryer features



Operating Instructions

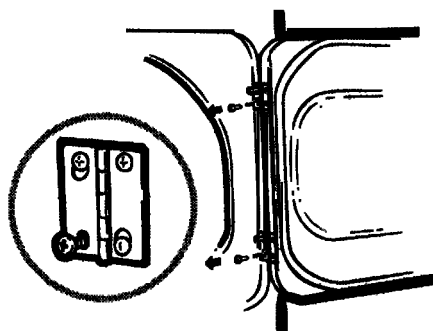
Other dryer features your model has

Reversing the Door

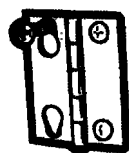
Tools Needed:

- **Standard #2 Phillips screwdriver**
- **Tape-tipped putty knife**
- **Needle-nosed pliers**

- 1** Open the door and remove the filler plugs opposite the hinges.
- 2** With the door completely open, remove the bottom screw from each hinge on the dryer face.

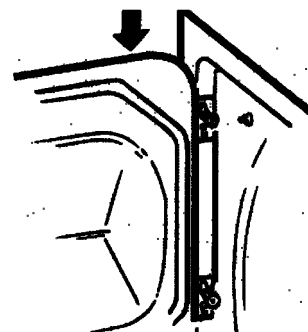


- 3** Insert these screws about **half way** into **the** TOP holes, for each hinge, on the opposite side. (Where you removed the filler plugs.) Apply **firm** pressure to get the screw started in untapped holes.
- 4** **Loosen** the top screw from each hinge on the **dryer face half way**.

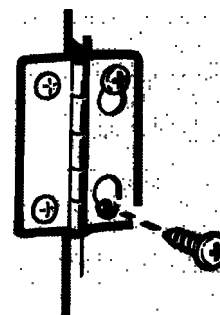


- 5** **With** one hand holding the top of the door and the other hand holding the bottom, remove the door from the dryer by lifting it **UP** and **OUT**.

- 6** **Rotate** the door 180°. Insert it on the opposite side of the opening by moving the door **IN** and **DOWN** until the top hinge and the bottom hinge are resting on the top screws inserted in step **3**.



- 7** Remove the remaining screws from **the** side of the opening from which the door was removed. With these screws secure each hinge at the bottom.



- 8** Tighten the two top screws of each hinge.
- 9** Reinsert the plastic plugs on the side from which the door was removed.

Specialty Care Guide

Always follow Fabric **Manufacturer's Care Label or instructions** when laundering.
Otherwise use **the information** below as a general guide.

Item	Suggested Care
Pillows	Mend any holes or weak seams where feather or filling could escape. Dry only one pillow at a time. Stop dryer occasionally and shake pillow, redistributing filling for even drying. Check pillow at the end of drying time. If it is not completely dry, reset dryer for more drying time. Dry on medium heat only. CAUTION: Do not dry pillows containing foam rubber.
Blankets	Add 2-4 dry towels and one blanket and set timer for 20-25 minutes. Dry only one blanket at a time. Do not set control for more than 25 minutes. At the end of drying cycle block the blanket back to its original shape. Allow blanket to dry thoroughly before storing.
Cotton	Use a medium heat drying setting.
Synthetic	Use the fluff drying setting.
Down	Use the fluff drying setting.
Extra Large Items (Includes comforters, blankets and mattress pads.)	Use a medium heat-g setting. Dry only one extra large item at a time. Dry for 20 minutes. When time is up, check and redistribute load. Reset dryer and check at five minute intervals. Check after each 5 minutes to ensure articles do not fill dryer drum. Large, wet articles should have ample room in the dryer, but as they dry and fluff up they may not have room to tumble. CAUTION: Items without room to tumble may block airflow and could result in scorched items. Dry mattress pads separately. Use a medium heat drying setting.



Loading

Sorting

As a general rule, if clothes are sorted properly for the washer, they are sorted properly **for the dryer**.

Sort by color

(Separate **colorfast** from **non-colorfast** fabrics*)

- **Whites**
- Lights
- **Darks**

Separate by fabric type

- **Cottons and linens**
- **Permanent press** cottons and blends
- Synthetic **and poly** knits
- **Delicates**

Separate lint producers from lint collectors

- **Lint producers:** terry cloth and chenille
- **Lint collectors:** velveteen and corduroy

Sort by weight

- Heavy Items
- Light Items

** Non-colorfast fabrics may bleed or fade. Sort by individual color.*

Loading Hints

- Avoid drying **very** small loads.
- Sort clothes by weight so you won't have to run an extra cycle **for** one or two heavier, slower drying items.
- Do not add fabric softener **sheets** once the load has become **warm**. This may cause fabric softener stains.
- **Do** not overload. This causes inefficient operation and **unnecessary** wrinkling. Clothes need to tumble freely.
- Do not dry the following items:
 - Fiberglass items
 - **Woolens**
 - Rubber coated items
 - **Plastics**
 - Items with plastic trim
 - Foam-filled items



The Interior

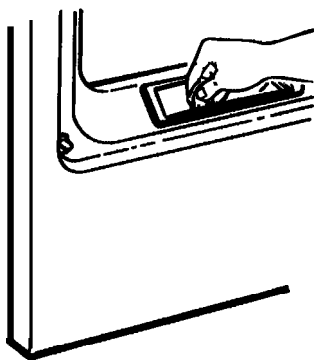
The drum is rust-resistant and requires no special care.

The Exterior

Wipe **off any** spills or washing compounds. Wipe or dust with a damp cloth. **Try** not to strike the **surface** with sharp **objects**. Dryer control panel and finishes may be damaged by some **laundry** pretreatment soil and **stain** remover products if such products are sprayed on or have direct contact with the dryer.

Apply these pretreatment products away from the dryer. The fabric may then be washed and dried normally. Damage to your dryer caused by pretreatment products is not covered by your warranty.

The Lint Filter



Before every **dryer** use, clean the lint filter. Moisten your fingers and reach into the filter opening. Run your fingers across the filter.

To keep your **dryer** operating at peak **performance**, be sure to have a technician vacuum the lint from the machine **every** three years.

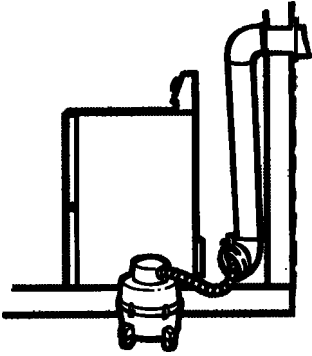
Storage

To store your dryer for **a** short period of time, disconnect the power supply and clean the lint filter.



Care & Cleaning

The Exhaust Duct

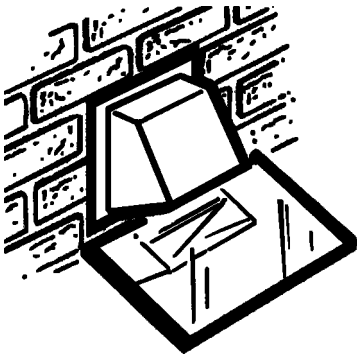


Inspect and clean the **dryer** exhaust **ducting** at least once a year to prevent clogging. A partially clogged exhaust can lengthen the drying time.

To clean the exhaust duct follow these steps:

- 1 Turn off electrical supply by disconnecting the plug from the **wall** socket.
- 2 Disconnect exhaust duct from the dryer.
- 3 Vacuum the exhaust duct with the hose attachment.
- 4 Reconnect **the** exhaust duct to the dryer.

The Exhaust Hood



Check the inside of the exhaust hood with a mirror to rid of **debris**

- Make sure the inside flaps of the exhaust hood move freely (you may want to check with a mirror).
- Make sure inside flaps are fully open when dryer is operating.
- Make sure there is not wildlife (birds, **insects**, etc.) nesting inside the exhaust duct or hood.

If Something Goes Wrong

Before you call for service

Problem	Possible Causes	What to Do
Dryer doesn't start	Dryer is unplugged	• Make sure the dryer plug is pushed completely into the outlet.
	Fuse is blown/circuit breaker is tripped	• Check the house fuse/circuit breaker box and replace fuse or reset breaker. NOTE: Most electric dryers use two breakers.
Dryer doesn't heat	Fuse is blown/circuit breaker is tripped, the dryer may tumble but not heat	• Check the house fuse/circuit breaker box and replace fuse or reset breaker.
	Gas service is off	• Make sure gas shutoff at dryer and main shutoff are fully open.
Dryer shakes or makes excessive noise	Some vibration/noise is normal. Dryer may be sitting unevenly	• Move dryer to an even floor space, or adjust as necessary until even.
Greasy spots on clothes	Improper use of fabric softener	• Follow directions on fabric softener package.
	Drying dirty items with clean ones	• Use your dryer to dry only clean items. Dirty items can stain clean items and the dryer.
	Clothes were not completely clean	• Sometimes stains which cannot be seen when the clothes are wet "appear" after drying. Use proper washing procedures before drying.
Lint on clothes	Lint filter is full	• Clean lint screen before each load.
	Improper sorting	• Sort lint producers (like chenille) from lint collectors (like corduroy).
	Static electricity can attract lint	• See suggestions in this section under STATIC.
	* 1 -	• Separate large loads into smaller ones.
	Paper, tissue, etc. left in-	• Empty all pockets before laundering clothes.



If Something Goes Wrong

Problem	Possible Causes	What to Do
Static occurs	Overdrying	• Try a fabric softener. • Adjust controls for less drying.
	No fabric softener was used	• Try a fabric softener.
	Synthetics, permanent press and blends can cause static	• Try a fabric softener.
Clothes take too long to dry	Improper sorting	• Separate heavy items from lightweight items (generally, a well-sorted washer load is a well-sorted dryer load).
	Large loads of heavy items (We beach towels)	• Large, heavy loads contain more moisture and take longer to dry. Separate large, heavy items into smaller loads to speed drying time.
	Controls improperly set	• Match control settings to the load you are drying.
	Lint filter is full	• Clean lint filter before every load.
	Improper or obstructed ducting	• Check installation instructions for proper ducting/venting. • Make sure ducting is clean, free of kinks and unobstructed. • Check to see if outside wall damper operates easily. • See the Venting the Dryer section.
	Blown fuses or tripped circuit breakers	• Replace fuses or reset circuit breakers. Since most dryers use 2 fuses/breakers, make sure both are operating.
	Overloading/combining loads	• Do not put more than one washer load in the dryer at a time.
	Underloading	• If you are drying only one or two items, add a few items to ensure proper tumbling.

Problem	Possible Causes	What to Do
Clothes are wrinkled	Overdrying	• Select a shorter drying time. • Remove items while they still hold a slight amount of moisture.
	Letting items sit in dryer after cycle ends	• Remove items when cycle ends and fold or hang immediately.
Clothes shrink	Some fabrics will naturally shrink when washed. Others can be safely washed, but will shrink in time*.	• To avoid shrinkage, follow garment care labels exactly. • Some items maybe pressed back into shape after drying. • If you are concerned about shrinkage in a particular item, do not machine wash or tumble dry it.



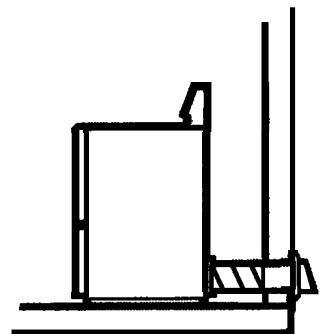
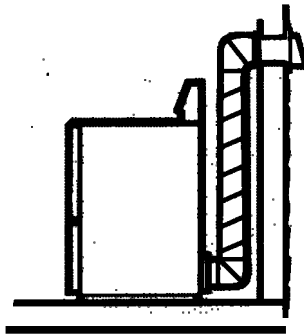
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Venting the Dryer

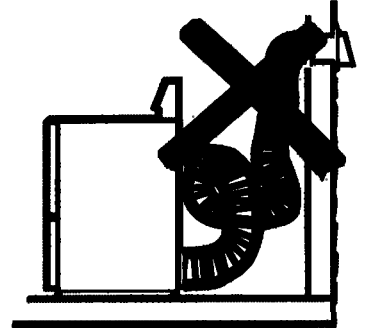
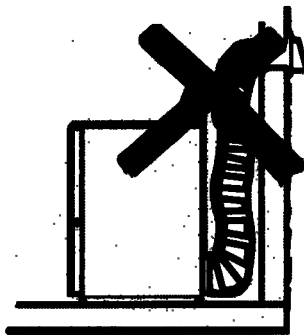
For the best **drying** performance the **dryer** needs to be properly vented. **Carefully follow the details on *Exhausting in the* Installation Instructions.**

- Use only rigid metal or flexible **metal** 4" diameter **ductwork** inside the dryer cabinet or for exhausting to the outside.
- Do not use plastic or other combustible **ductwork**.
- Use **the** shortest length possible.
- Do not crush or **collapse**.
- Avoid resting the duct on sharp objects.
- **Venting** must **conform** to local building codes.

Correct Venting



Incorrect Venting



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GE Service Numbers



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In-Home Repair Service

**SEE GE CARES
(800-432-2737)**

AGE consumer **service** professional will provide expert repair **service**, scheduled at a time that's **convenient** for you. Many **GE Consumer Service company-operated locations** offer you service today or tomorrow, or at your convenience (**7:00** a.m. to **7:00** p.m. weekdays, **9:00** a.m. to **2:00** p.m. Saturdays).

Our **factory-trained** technicians know your appliance inside and out—so most repairs can be **handled** in just one visit.

For Customers With Special Needs

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Upon request, **GE** will provide Braille controls for a variety of **GE** appliances, and a brochure to assist in planning a barrier-free kitchen for persons with limited mobility. To obtain **these** items, free of charge, call 800.626.2000.

Consumers **with** impaired hearing or speech who have access to a **TDD** or a conventional **teletypewriter** may **call 800-TDD-GEAC (800-833-4322)** to request **information** or service.



*Para los clientes
de habla española*

800.626.2000

Para obtener la **versión en español** de este manual, name a GE Answer **Center®**, **servicio de información para el consumidor**, **teléfono 800.626.2000**.

Service Contracts

800-626-2224

You can have the secure feeling that GE Consumer **Service** will still be there after your warranty expires. Purchase a GE contract while **your warranty** is still in effect and you'll receive a substantial **discount**. With a multiple-year contract, you're assured of future service at today's prices.

Parts and Accessories

800-626-2002

Individuals qualified to service their own appliances can have parts or accessories sent **directly** to their home. **The** GE parts system provides access to over 47,000 **parts...** and **all** GE Genuine Renewal P-are fully warranted. VISA, MasterCard and Discover cards are accepted.

Instructions contained in this **man-**
ual cover procedures **to be per-**
formed by any user. Other servicing
generally should be referred to
qualified service personnel.
Caution must be exercised, since
improper **servicing may** cause
unsafe operation.

Further Service

We're proud of our **service** and want you to be pleased. **If for** some reason you are not happy with the service you receive, here are three steps to follow for further help.

First, contact the people who serviced your appliance. Explain why you are not pleased. In most cases, this will solve the problem.

Next, if you are still not pleased, write all the detail-including your phone number-to:

Manager, Consumer Relations
GE Appliances, Appliance Park
Louisville, 'KY 40225

Finally, if your problem is still not **resolved**, write:

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

DRYER WARRANTY

Staple sales slip or cancelled check here. Proof of original purchase date is needed to obtain service under warranty.

What is covered

FULL ONE-YEAR WARRANTY

For one year from date of original purchase, we will provide, free of charge, parts and service labor in your home to repair or replace *any part of the dryer* that fails because of a manufacturing defect.

This warranty is extended to the original purchaser and any succeeding owner for products purchased for ordinary home use in the 48 mainland states, Hawaii and Washington, D.C. In Alaska the warranty is the same except that it is **LIMITED** because you must pay to ship the product to the service shop or for the service technician's travel costs to your home.

All warranty service will be provided by our Factory Service Centers or by our authorized Customer Care™ servicers during normal working hours.

Should your appliance need service, during warranty period or beyond, call 800-GE-CARES (800-432-2737).

What is not covered

- Service trips to your home to teach you how to use the product.

Read your **Owner's Manual**. If you then have any questions about operating the product, please contact your dealer or our Consumer Affairs office at the address below, or call, toll free:

GE Answer Center™
800.626.2000
consumer information service

- Improper installation.

If you have an installation problem, contact your dealer or installer. You are responsible for providing adequate electrical, exhausting and other connecting facilities.

- Replacement of house fuses or resetting of circuit breakers.
- Failure of the product if it is misused, or used for other than the intended purpose or used commercially.
- Damage to product caused by accident, fire, floods or acts of God.

WARRANTOR IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.

Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state. To know what your legal rights are in your state, consult your local or state consumer affairs office or your state's Attorney General.

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