**AUTOMATIC DRYER D-6** 

# USER'S GUID MAYIAG

# **MODELS:**

LD7304 • LD7334 • LD4914 • LD8404 • LD8424

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# **CONSUMER PUBLICATIONS**

For additional information on laundering and purchasing other major appliances, order the following booklets from Maytag at the prices indicated. Please send your name, address, booklet title, form number and payment to: Maytag, Consumer Education Department, One Dependability Square, Newton, IA 50208. Allow 4–6 weeks for delivery.

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Electric Range — 214YG; Gas Range — 215YG;	
Refrigerator — 276YG	

Congratulations on your choice of a Maytag dryer! Your satisfaction is very important to us. On the following pages you will find information related to proper use and care of your new appliance. The MAYTAG LAUNDERING GUIDE contains additional tips on proper washing and drying techniques. By following these instructions carefully, you will be able to achieve excellent results with your dryer.

Should you have any questions about using your Maytag dryer, please contact us. Be sure to provide the model and serial numbers.

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**NOTE:** For service and warranty information see pages 7 & 10.

For future reference we suggest you retain this manual after recording the model number and serial number of this automatic dryer in the spaces provided. This information can be found on the data plate located in the lower right corner of the door opening.

Model Number	Serial Number

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 death.

- Do not store or use gasoline or other flammable vapors and liquids in the vicinity of this or any other appliance.
- WHAT TO DO IF YOU SMELL GAS
  - Do not try to light any appliance.
  - Do not touch any electrical switch; do not use any phone in your building.
  - Clear the room, building or area of all occupants.
  - Immediately call your gas supplier from a neighbor's phone. Follow the gas supplier's instructions.
  - If you cannot reach your gas supplier, call the fire department.

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

# **Important Safety Notice & Warning**

The California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65) requires the Governor of California to publish a list of substances known to the State of California to cause cancer or reproductive harm, and requires businesses to warn customers of potential exposures to such substances.

Users of this appliance are hereby warned that the burning of gas can result in low-level exposure to some of the listed substances, including benzene, formaldehyde and soot, due primarily to the incomplete combustion of natural gas or liquid petroleum (LP) fuels. Exhaust ducts should be kept free of obstructions and properly exhausted dryers will minimize exposure.

# IMPORTANT PERSONAL SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

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

- Read all instructions before using the appliance.
- 2. To avoid the possibility of fire or explosion:
  - a. Do not dry items that have been previously cleaned in, washed in, soaked in, or spotted with gasoline, dry-cleaning solvents, other flammable or explosive substances as they give off vapors that could ignite or explode. Any material on which you have used a cleaning solvent, or which is saturated with flammable liquids or solids, should not be placed in 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 liquid household cleaners, some spot removers, turpentine, waxes and wax removers.
  - b. Items containing foam rubber (may be labeled latex foam) or similarly textured rubber-like materials must not be dried on a heat setting. Foam rubber materials when heated, can under certain circumstance produce fire by spontaneous combustion.
- Do not allow children to play on or in the appliance. Close supervision of children is necessary when the appliance is used near children.
- Before the appliance is removed from service or discarded, remove the door to the drying compartment.
- 5. Do not reach into the appliance if the drum is moving.
- 6. Do not install or store this appliance where it will be exposed to the weather.
- 7. Do not tamper with controls.
- 8. Do not repair or replace any part of the appliance or attempt any servicing unless specifically recommended in published user-repair 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.
- Clean the lint screen before or after each load.
- 11. Keep the area around the exhaust opening and surrounding areas free from lint accumulation, dust and dirt.
- 12. The interior of the dryer and exhaust duct should be cleaned periodically by qualified service personnel.
- 13. This appliance must be properly grounded. Never plug the appliance cord into a receptacle which is not grounded adequately and in accordance with local and national codes. See installation instructions for grounding this appliance.

### **WARNING**

Do not place into your dryer items that have been spotted or soaked with vegetable oil or cooking oil. Even after being washed, these items may contain significant amounts of these oils. The remaining oil can ignite spontaneously. The potential for spontaneous ignition increases when the items containing vegetable oil or cooking oil are exposed to heat. Heat sources, such as your clothes dryer, can warm these items, allowing an oxidation reaction in the oil to occur. Oxidation creates heat. If this heat cannot escape, the items can become hot enough to catch fire. Piling, stacking or storing these kinds of items may prevent heat from escaping and can create a fire hazard.

All washed and unwashed fabrics that contain vegetable oil or cooking oil can be dangerous. Washing these items in hot water with extra detergent will reduce, but will not eliminate, the hazard. Always use the "cool down" cycle for these items to reduce the items' temperature. Never remove these items from the clothes dryer hot or interrupt the drying cycle until the items have run through the "cool down" cycle. Never pile or stack these items when they are hot.

### **Save These Instructions**

Appliances with the 🗓 symbol on the data plate have been listed with Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. Those with a CSA Monogram on the data plate have been certified by the CSA Testing Laboratories as complying with Canadian Standards Association requirements. Gas dryers with an AGA symbol on the data plate have been design certified with the American Gas Association; those with a CGA symbol on the data plate have been approved by the Canadian Gas Association. Nevertheless, as with any equipment using electricity and having moving parts, there are potential hazards. To use this appliance safely, the operator should become familiar with the instructions for operation of the Appliance and always exercise care when using it.

### **EXHAUSTING THE DRYER**

A proper exhaust system is critical for good drying results. Restricted airflow affects dryer performance and results in longer drying times. Exhaust ductwork guidelines:

- Use 4" diameter rigid metal exhaust duct. Do not use smaller duct. Minimize the length of duct and the number of elbows. Secure joints with duct tape. Do not use screws.
- Never use plastic or nonmetal flexible duct. This can kink, cause lint buildup and reduce airflow which creates service problems.
- If flexible duct must be used, use only the type with a stiff sheet metal wall. Do not kink or crush the duct. Do not use flexible duct with a thin foil wall.
- Clean out previously used exhaust duct. Replace kinked or crushed sections. Be sure exhaust vent hood flap opens and closes freely.
- Refer to the installation instructions for additional dryer exhaust information.

# **ENERGY SAVING TIPS**

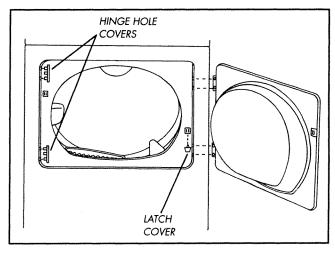
- Clean the lint filter after each cycle for greater efficiency and performance.
- Avoid overloading the dryer. A proper wash load is a proper dryer load. Do not combine loads. Avoid drying very small loads or mixed

- loads of heavy, hard-to-dry items with lightweight ones.
- Properly select and check exhaust venting. Four inch rigid metal ducting is recommended to prevent lint collection and improve dryer operation. Periodically check the ductwork for any obstructions that could reduce the airflow and efficiency.
- Remove items from the dryer as soon as tumbling stops for best results and efficiency. This reduces wrinkling and ironing.

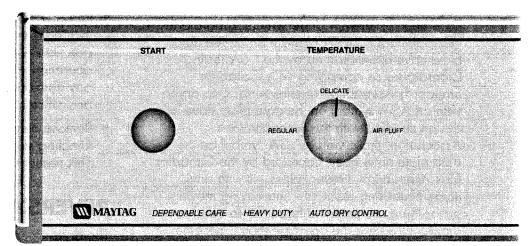
### REVERSING THE DOOR

The dryer door is designed with flexibility in mind. It can be mounted on the dryer front so as to open from left to right, or reversed and open from right to left. This provides flexibility for the dryer located in a cramped area or for the person preferring a different door swing. Simply follow the steps as listed.

- 1) Remove hinge hole covers and cover from latch. These will be re-used.
- Rest door on knee for support. 2)
- Remove 4 screws holding hinges to front
- 4) Turn door upside down.
- Support on knee.
- Insert screw in the small round hole first and start by hand.
- 7) Tighten screw to position door.
- 8) Insert top screw of other hinge and tighten.
- Insert and tighten remaining screws. 9)
- 10) Replace hinge hole covers and door latch cover in opposite side.



### **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**



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# **Select Drying Temperature**

Turn the temperature selector knob to the proper drying temperature. The choices are:

REGULAR — Use for drying sturdy cottons or regular garments and those items labeled "Tumble Dry," etc.

MEDIUM — (Not on all models) Use for permanent press, synthetics and lightweight cottons and those items labeled "Tumble Dry Medium," etc.

DELICATE — Use for drying those heat-sensitive items labeled "Tumble Dry Low," "Tumble Dry Warm," etc.

AIR FLUFF — Use this no heat cycle to fluff decorator items in air at room temperature.

# **Select the Cycle**

The Auto-Dry cycles allow you to set the degree of dryness for each load. The dryer adjusts for the size of load, weight of fabric and amount of moisture in the load, then shuts off when the items reach the dryness level selected. For this reason, the drying time for each load may vary. The Large
• is the preferred initial setting. However, several dryness levels within the Auto-Dry cycles allow various levels of moisture to be selected. The three

most common are listed, but levels can be set between these:

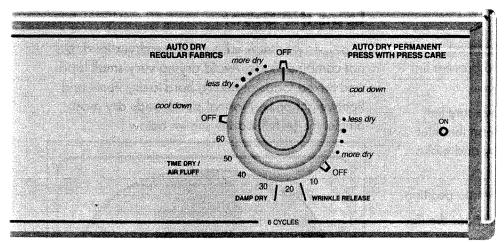
- Less Dry This setting is used for lightweight synthetic loads or when more than the normal amount of moisture remaining is desired.
- 2. Large – This is the preferred initial setting used for the majority of loads where a normal amount of moisture remaining is desired.
- More Dry This setting would be used to completely dry heavyweight, hard-to-dry loads such as thick towels, rugs and work clothes or for extra dryness of any load.

**NOTE:** The dial is designed to turn in either direction.

REGULAR FABRICS — Use this cycle for nonpermanent press loads such as towels, underwear, etc. At the end of the cycle there is an automatic cool down of approximately 6 minutes and a momentary buzzer.

PERMANENT PRESS — Use this cycle for permanent press loads or no-iron fabrics such as nylon, acrylic, polyester or blends. At the end of the cycle there is an automatic cool down of approximately 13 minutes. The buzzer will sound two to three times during the cool down to let you know the cycle is nearly over.

The Press Care feature in this cycle extends the cool down portion. It provides an additional 20 minutes of tumbling in unheated air.



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TIME DRY — This cycle may be used for any load when Auto-Dry is not preferred. Set the dial to the amount of time desired. This will be followed by approximately 5 minutes of cool down and a momentary buzzer.

WRINKLE RELEASE — Found in the Time Dry portion of the dial, use this cycle to release wrinkles from items that are clean and dry but slightly wrinkled from a crowded closet or suitcase or from sitting in the dryer after the cycle is complete. It provides 10 minutes of heated tumbling and 5 minutes of cool down.

DAMP DRY — To partially dry items to a damp state, select "damp dry" on the Time Dry portion of the controls. The clothes will tumble in heated air for approximately 20 minutes, then cool air for 5 minutes.

AIR FLUFF — Turn the temperature selector knob to Air Fluff and set the desired number of minutes on the Time Dry portion of the dial. This provides tumbling without heat.

NOTE: The dial will not advance at a specific rate during the cycle. At first, the dial may not advance at all. Toward the end of the cycle (when the articles begin to dry) the dial will advance at a more regular rate and much more quickly. This is normal operation and is not a reason for concern.

### **Push the Button to Start**

This dryer is designed so that it will not operate when the door is open. If the door is opened before the cycle is complete, the door must be closed and the start button pushed.

# On Light (Not on all models)

This indicator light stays on throughout the cycle to let you know the dryer is operating.

# **Drum Light** (Not on all models)

The drum light comes on whenever the door is opened. Close the door to turn off the light.

To change the drum light, follow these steps:

- 1. Unplug or disconnect the dryer.
- 2. Unscrew the bulb by turning counterclockwise.
- 3. Replace it with a 7 watt, 120 volt candelabra base bulb (7C7).
- 4. Reconnect the power to the dryer.

### **USING THE DRYER**

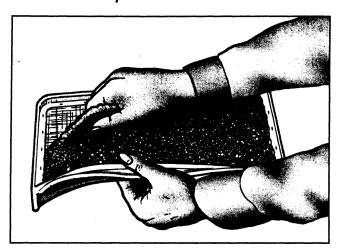
### **Check the Lint Filter**

Clean the lint filter after each load. It's best to check this when the dryer is empty to prevent lint from falling onto items inside the dryer.

To clean, pull the filter out and remove any lint. (See illustration below.) Failure to clean the filter will cause loads to take longer to dry and make the dryer operate less efficiently.

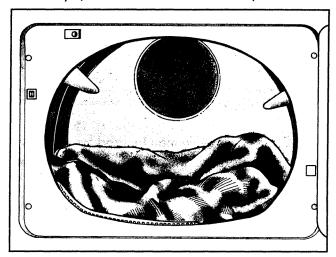
Replace the filter by pressing it firmly into position.

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



# **Load the Dryer**

A proper washer load is a proper dryer load. Do not combine loads. Avoid drying very small loads and mixed loads of heavy, hard-to-dry items and lightweight ones. Normal sized loads dry most efficiently. (A full load is shown below.)



NOTE: If you are using a dryer-added fabric softener, it should be added now. Adding one after the load is warm can cause greasy-looking softener stains. Refer to the Maytag Laundering Guide for removing dryer-added fabric softener stains.

# What Cannot Be Dryer Dried

The following items should not be dried in a dryer unless specifically recommended by the manufacturer on the care label.

- 1. Fiber glass items (curtains, draperies, bedspreads, etc.)
- 2. Woolens
- 3. Rubber-coated items, plastics and items with plastic trim (on a heat setting)

For specific drying instructions, please refer to the Operating Instructions section on pages 4 and 5 or the MAYTAG LAUNDERING GUIDE.

# CARING FOR THE DRYER

### **Control Panel Care**

Clean the control panel with a soft damp cloth. Do not use any abrasive powders or cleaning pads.

### Cabinet Care

Simply wipe off any marks with soap and water, followed with an appliance wax if desired.

## **Tumbler Care**

If the tumbler becomes stained by a crayon, ink pen or other item inadvertently left in a garment, clean the tumbler with an all purpose cleaner such as: Fantastik, Soft Scrub or Formula 409®\*. Then tumble old towels or rags to remove any excess stain.

# **Exhaust System Cleaning**

While the lint filter will catch most of the lint from the load, some will get through and may buildup in the ductwork. It is important to completely inspect and clean all lint accumulation from the interior of the ductwork once a year to maintain drying performance. The exhaust hood at the outside of the home should be cleaned more frequently to ensure the damper opens and closes

Refer to the Installation Instructions for more details on proper exhausting.

\*Brand names are trademarks of the respective manufacturers.

# **BEFORE YOU CALL FOR SERVICE**

# Check these points if the dryer...

### Does not run

 Opening the door during operation stops the dryer. Close the door, select a cycle and press the start button.

- Plug the cord into a live outlet.
- Check the fuse or reset the circuit breaker.

### Does not heat

- Check the fuse or reset the circuit breaker.
- Select a heat setting; not air-fluff.
- On a gas dryer, check that the gas supply is on.
- Clean the lint screen and exhaust duct if the heat shuts off early.
- Push in only one temperature button.

### Doesn't dry clothes properly

- Select a heat setting; not air-fluff.
- On a gas dryer, check that the gas supply is on.
- Clean the lint screen and the exhaust system.
- Be sure the exhaust hood damper opens and closes freely.
- Push only one temperature button in.
- Do not overload. One washer load equals one dryer load.
- Exhaust duct is too long, smaller than 4 inch diameter, uses too many elbows or is made of plastic flexible material. Replace with metal.
- Sort heavy items from lightweight items.
- Washer spin cycle may not be extracting water properly.

# Is noisy

 Check to see if there are any foreign objects such as coins, buttons, or nails which could damage clothes as well as the dryer. Remove promptly.

### **Dial Advancement**

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**NOTE:** For further assistance contact your Maytag dealer or call Maytag Customer Service:

U.S.

1-800-688-9900

Canada

1-800-688-2002

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### **AUTOMATIC DRYER WARRANTY**

### **Full One Year Warranty**

For one(1) year from the date of original retail purchase, any part which fails in normal home use will be repaired or replaced free of charge.

### **Limited Parts Warranty**

After the first year from date of original retail purchase, through the time periods listed below, the designated parts which fail in normal home use will be repaired or replaced free of charge for the part itself, with the owner paying all other costs, including labor.

### **Second Year**

All Parts

### Third Through Fifth Year

All parts of the solid state controls (if so equipped).

### **Additional Limited Warranty Against Rust**

Should any of the parts listed below rust during the five year period starting from the date of retail purchase, repair or replacement will be made free of charge during the first year. After the first and through the fifth year, repair or replacement will be made free of charge for the part itself, with the owner paying all other costs, including labor. Parts covered by this warranty are the exterior cabinet, including door, tumbler and tumbler front and back.

This full warranty and the limited warranties apply when the appliance is located in the United States or Canada. Appliances located elsewhere are covered by the limited warranties only, which includes parts which fail during the first year.

### **Canadian Residents**

This warranty covers only those appliances installed in Canada that have been listed with Canadian Standards Association unless the appliances are brought into Canada due to transfer of residence from the United States to Canada.

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

### TO RECEIVE WARRANTY SERVICE

First:

To locate an authorized service company in your area, contact the Maytag dealer from whom your appliance was purchased or call Maytag Customer Service:

US 1-800-688-9900 CANADA 1-800-688-2002

or check in your telephone directory yellow pages.

Second:

Should you not receive satisfactory warranty service from the dealer or authorized service firm, or need further assistance, call or write:

Maytag Customer Service P.O. Box 2370 Cleveland, TN 37311

US 1-800-688-9900 CANADA 1-800-688-2002

When contacting Customer Service be sure to provide the model and serial number of your appliance, the name and address of the dealer from whom you purchased the appliance, and the date of purchase.

**Should you still have a problem,** write to: Major Appliance Consumer Action Panel, 20 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606. MACAP is an industry sponsored but independent group of consumer experts who receive and act on complaints from appliance owners.

NOTE: When writing about an unsolved service problem, please include the following information:

- (a) Your name, address, and telephone number;
- (b) Model number and serial number (found on the lower right corner of the door recess) of your appliance;
- (c) Name and address of your dealer and date the appliance was bought;
- (d) A clear description of the problem you are having.

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