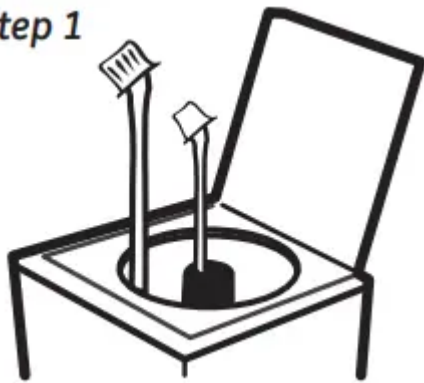


Operating Instructions

About the control panel—for models with " pull knob" start.

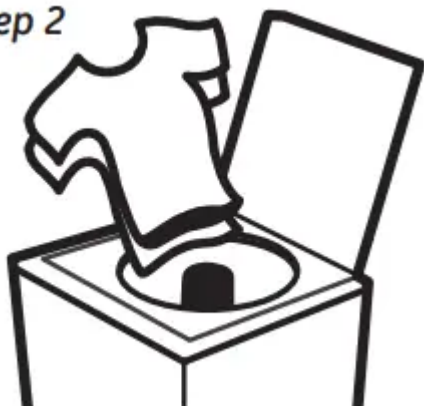
Step 1



Add detergent.

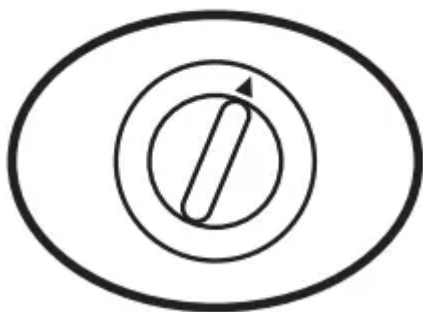
Add diluted fabric softener (on models with a fabric softener dispenser).

Step 2



Add items.

Step 3



Select load size and other wash options

Select wash cycle

Select OPTIONS

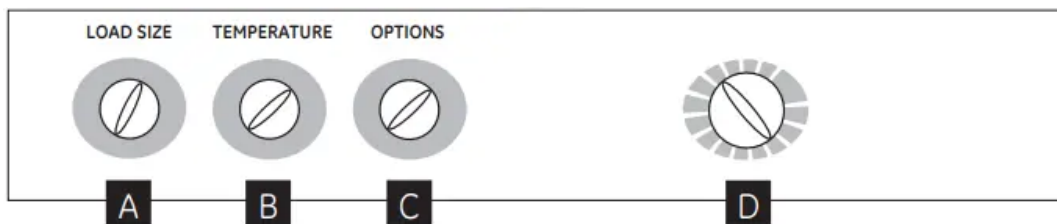
Step 4



Close lid.

Pull knob.

Quick Start Guide



Controls

A Load Size

Loosely load items in the washer basket. Overloading may negatively impact wash performance. Adjust the load size accordingly.

Reset

If you decide that you want a higher water level, move the Load Size first to Reset and then to the higher water setting.

B Temperature

Select the water temperature for the wash and rinse cycles. Always follow fabric manufacturer's care label or instructions when laundering.

C Options (on some models)

Fabric Softener and Power Rinse

Set this option when adding fabric softener during the rinse cycle or when you use extra detergent or bleach to clean heavily soiled items. It provides an enhanced rinse.

D Wash Cycle-Cycle Selector Knob

The chart below will help you match the wash cycle setting with your items. The chart is ranked from greatest to least wash intensity.

Your washer may not have all these cycles. (Cycles vary by model.)

Whites For heavy to lightly soiled cottons, household linens, work and play items.

(Regular Wash/Fast Spin)

Colors For non-colorfast cottons and blends and items that are labeled cold wash.

(Regular Wash/Fast Spin)

Permanent Press For wrinkle-free and permanent press items, and knits.

(Pulsed Wash/Fast Spin)

Rinse & Soak For rinsing chlorine, perspiration, stains, etc., out of items. (Followed by Drain & Fast Spin.)

Drain & Spin For draining the tub and spinning water out of the clothes. (Fast Spin)

Liquid Bleach Funnel



The water fill dilutes liquid chlorine bleach as the washer fills for the wash cycle.

1. Check clothing care labels for special instructions.
2. Measure liquid bleach carefully, following instructions on the bottle.
 - Never pour undiluted liquid chlorine bleach directly onto clothes or into the wash basket.
 - Do not pour powdered bleach into bleach funnel.
3. Before starting the washer, pour measured amount of bleach directly into bleach funnel. Avoid splashing or over-filling dispenser. If you prefer to use powdered bleach, add it into the wash basket with your detergent.
 - Do not mix chlorine bleach with ammonia or acids such as vinegar and/or rust remover. Mixing can produce a toxic gas which may cause death.

FAQ

Q: What is the difference between Heavy and Light settings?

A: For Whites and Colors, the wash agitation time is increased by 6 minutes and for Permanent Press, by 12 minutes. (Times are approximate)

Q: Which cycle is best for heavily soiled items?

A: Whites or Colors cycles have the greatest wash intensity. This cycle provides the best overall cleaning. Permanent Press should be used for wrinkle-free and permanent press items.

Q: How can I reduce linting?

A: Sort wash loads by fabric type and whether they collect lint (velveteen, corduroy) or produce lint (terry cloth, chenille). Wash small loads for a shorter amount of time.

Q: How much detergent do I use?

A: For best performance, always follow the detergent manufacturer's instructions on usage. Many detergents are concentrated, so consult the product label and follow the clearly marked lines on the detergent measuring cups. Excessive detergent can negatively impact the wash performance.

Q: Why does there seem to be less rinse water used than in my previous washer?

A: The water level for each cycle, including the rinse cycle, has been reduced to comply with 2011 federal energy and water regulations. Your new GE washer is designed to accommodate these reduced water levels and to wash and rinse properly with the quantity of water added for each selected cycle.

Q: How does the selection of Power Rinse or Fabric Softener affect water usage of my washer?

A: Selecting the Power Rinse or Fabric Softener feature will increase the amount of water used by your washer during the rinse cycle. The added water assists in the proper dilution of fabric softener. The quantity of water used in this cycle is comparable to the amount used in the initial fill.

About washer features

The Agitator Cap (on some models)



The agitator cap fits into the top of the agitator. If it accidentally comes off, simply put it back on.

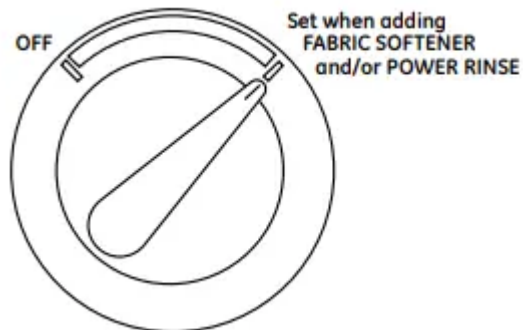
Fabric Softener Dispenser (on some models)



OPTIONS

The fabric softener dispenser automatically releases liquid fabric softener. Setting the knob ensures that it dispenses at the proper time.

Do not stop the washer or raise the lid during the first spin. This will cause the dispenser to empty too soon.



To use, follow these steps:

1. Make sure dispenser is securely attached to agitator.
2. Use only diluted liquid fabric softener. Pour into dispenser, using amount recommended on package.

Never pour fabric softener directly on items. It may stain them.

3. Add water to dispenser until it reaches the maximum fill line.

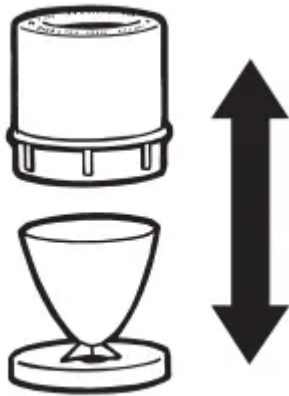


Do not pour anything into the agitator if the agitator cap or dispenser is removed.

4. Select Fabric Softener setting knob to activate the cycle.

Note: Fabric softener will not dispense if the knob is in the "OFF" position.

Cleaning the Fabric Softener Dispenser (on some models)



Separate for cleaning

1. Remove the dispenser from the top of the agitator.
2. Separate the dispenser cup from the cover by grasping the top and pushing down on the inside of the cup with your fingers. Dispenser cup will pop free from the cover.
3. To clean the dispenser, soak both the dispenser cup and the dispenser cover in the following solution:
 - 1 US gallon (3.8 liters) warm water
 - 1/4 cup (60 ml) heavy-duty liquid detergent
 - 1 cup (240 ml) bleach
4. If necessary, loosen buildup with a clean, soft cloth after soaking. Do not use a stiff brush; you may roughen the surface of the dispenser.
5. Rinse and reassemble dispenser. Place dispenser back on the agitator.

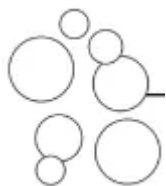
Loading and using the washer.

Always follow fabric manufacturer's care label when laundering.



Sorting Wash Loads

Sort by color (whites, lights, colors), soil level, fabric type (sturdy cottons, easy care, delicates) and whether the fabric produces lint (terry cloth, chenille) or collects lint (velveteen, corduroy).



Proper Use of Detergent

Add detergent before adding items so that the detergent can work effectively. Using too little or too much detergent is a common cause of laundry problems.

For spots, apply pre-treatment to items as recommended on the product label. Application should be made in the basket to prevent overspray which may cause the coloring on the lid or graphics to fade.

You can use less detergent if you have soft water, a smaller load or a lightly soiled load.

When using high efficiency or concentrated detergents, consult the product label to determine amount required for optimum performance. Excessive detergent will negatively impact wash performance.



Loading the Washer

Load dry items loosely in the washer basket. When loading wet items, make sure you set the load/ water level high enough to allow the items to move freely. Water level should just cover the items. To add items after washer has started, lift the lid and submerge additional items next to the agitator.

- Do not wrap long items like sheets or pants around the agitator.
- Do not wash fabrics containing flammable materials (waxes, cleaning fluids, etc.).
- Washer will not agitate or spin with the lid up, however the timer will continue to run.

Care and cleaning of the washer.

Wash Basket: Leave the lid open after washing to allow moisture to evaporate. If you want to clean the basket, use a clean soft cloth dampened with liquid detergent; then rinse. (Do not use harsh or gritty cleaners.)

Fill Hoses: GE recommends changing the hoses every 5 years.

Exterior: Immediately wipe off any spills. Wipe with damp cloth. Try not to hit surface with sharp objects.

Moving and Storage: Ask the service technician to remove water from drain pump and hoses. See the Installation Instructions packed with product for information on how to reinstall the shipping rod to keep the tub stationary when moving the washer. For more information or call 800. GECARES(800.432.2737). Do not store the washer where it will be exposed to the weather.

Long Vacations: Be sure water supply is shut off at faucets. Drain all water from hoses if weather will be below freezing.

Troubleshooting Tips

Before you call for service...

Troubleshooting Tips

Save time and money! Review the charts on the following pages. You may not need to call for service.

WATER	Possible Causes	What To Do
Too many suds	Too much detergent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measure your detergent carefully. Use less if you have soft water, a smaller load or a lightly soiled load.
	Type of detergent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Switch to a lower sudsing detergent brand and follow instructions on package.
	Soft water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Try less detergent.
Water leaks	Using too much detergent in washer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use less detergent. Use less soap if you have soft water, a smaller load or a lightly soiled load.
	Fill hoses or drain hose is improperly connected	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make sure hose connections are tight at faucet and that rubber washers are installed. Make sure end of drain hose is correctly inserted in and secured to laundry facility.
	Household drain may be clogged	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check household plumbing. You may need a plumber.
	Drain hose loose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make sure drain hose is fully seated in back of washer and that the two retaining screws are properly seated.
	Drain hose rubs on wall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make sure drain hose does not make contact with the wall. May cause excessive wear on the hose.
	Constant water pressure to the fill hoses at the water source	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tighten hoses at the faucets and turn the water off after each use. • Check condition of the fill hoses; they should be replaced every 5 years.



Water temperature seems incorrect	Cooler water temperatures provide improved energy efficiency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New laundry detergents have been formulated to work with cooler water temperatures without affecting wash performance.
	Water supply is turned off or improperly connected	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Turn both hot and cold faucets fully on and ensure hoses are connected to correct faucets.
	Water valve screens are stopped up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Turn off the water source and remove the connection hoses from the upper back of the machine. Use a brush or toothpick to clean the screens. Reconnect the hoses and turn the water back on.
	House water heater is not set properly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make sure house water heater is delivering water at 120°F-140°F (48°C-60°C).
Water pumped out before cycle is complete	Lid lifted or cycle was put in pause for over 24 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reset cycle.
Water won't drain	Drain hose is kinked or improperly connected	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Straighten drain hose and make sure washer is sitting on it. • Top of drain outlet should be less than 6 ft above floor.
Washer pauses during wash cycle	This is normal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is normal. The washer alternates between agitate and soak during some wash cycles to help clothes cleaner with less wear.
Washer pauses during spin cycle	This is normal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The washer may pause during the spin cycle to remove soapy water more efficiently.
Washer won't operate	Washer is unplugged	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make sure cord is plugged securely into a wall outlet.
	Water supply is turned off	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Turn both hot and cold faucets fully on.



Controls are not set properly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check controls.
Lid is open-safety feature prevents agitation and spinning when lid is up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Close lid and reset cycle, to the beginning if n
Circuit breaker/fuse is tripped/blown	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check house circuit breakers/fuses. Replace reset breaker. Washer should have separate ou
Timer knob not pulled	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pull timer knob.
Lid magnet missing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call for service.



Movement inside machine when shut off	Shifting mechanism is disengaging the motor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> When the machine is manually turned off, will disengage the motor before completely down. <p>If lid is raised before the motor is disengaged, the wash process will stop and will resume when lid is closed.</p>
PERFORMANCE	Possible Causes	What To Do
Clothes too wet	Incorrect spin cycle selected	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make sure the spin cycle selected matches the fabric you are washing. Some fabrics will feel wetter if not properly rinsed with cold water.
Colored spots	Incorrect use of fabric softener	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check fabric softener package for instructions and follow directions for using dispenser. Make sure you have selected the Fabric Softener option. Pretreat stain and rewash.
	Dye transfer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sort whites or lightly colored items from dark colors.
Grayed or yellowed clothes	Not enough detergent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use more detergent (especially with larger loads). Be sure to follow detergent manufacturer's directions.
	Hard water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use a water conditioner like Calgon brand or use a water softener.
	Water is not hot enough	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make sure water heater is delivering water at 120°F-140°F (48°C-60°C).
	Washer is overloaded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Select load size to match clothes load.
	Detergent is not dissolving	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add detergent before you load items.
	Dye transfer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sort clothes by color. If fabric label states "Do Not Bleach" separately, unstable dyes may be indicated.



Lint or residue on clothes	Clothes are air or line dried	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you do not dry your clothes with a clothes dryer, your clothes may retain more lint.
	Incorrect sorting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separate lint producers from lint collectors.
	Washing too long	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wash small loads for a shorter time than large loads.
	Detergent not dissolving	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add detergent before you load items. • Try a liquid detergent. • Use warmer water temperature.
	Overloading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Load clothes loosely in the washer basket. Do not exceed the load size based on items size and material. • Make sure load size selected matches clothes size.
	Incorrect use of fabric softener	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check fabric softener package for instructions and follow directions for using dispenser. • Make sure you have selected the Fabric Softener option.



PERFORMANCE (cont.)	Possible Causes	What To Do
Pilling	Result of normal wear on poly-cotton blends and fuzzy fabrics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • While this is not caused by the washer, you can reduce the pilling process by washing garments inside out.
Snags, holes, tears, rips or excessive wear	Pins, snaps, hooks, sharp buttons, belt buckles, zippers and sharp objects left in pockets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fasten snaps, hooks, buttons and zippers. • Remove loose items like pins, objects in pockets, sharp buttons. • Turn knits (which snag easily) inside out.
	Undiluted chlorine bleach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check bleach package instructions for proper amount. • Never add undiluted bleach to wash or allow clothes to come in contact with undiluted bleach.
	Chemicals like hair bleach or dye, permanent wave solution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rinse items that may have chemicals on them before washing.
Wrinkling	Improper sorting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avoid mixing heavy items (like work clothes) with light items (like blouses). • Try a fabric softener.
	Overloading or incorrect water level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Load your washer so clothes have enough room to move freely with water covering all of the clothes.
	Incorrect wash and dry cycles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Match Cycle selection to the type of fabric and care instructions for washing (especially for easy care loads).
	Repeated washing in water that is too hot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wash in warm or cold water.
SOUNDS	Possible Causes	Reason

"Metallic clicking"	Shifter mechanism is engaging or disengaging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The drive system will engage at the start of the wash cycle and disengage when agitate is complete. The drive system will engage multiple times during the wash.
Back and forth "swoosh" or light "clicking" sound during agitate	Electric motor reversing direction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This machine has a drive system that does not use gears. This sound is the motor rotating back and forth to clean your laundry.
"Click" when water stops filling	Relay switch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The relay makes a click sound when activated. The water level activates the relay and stops filling.
"Clicking" behind Control Panel during fill	Automatic Temperature Control Valve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two valves mix cold and hot water. The "click" sound is heard when either valve turns on or off to raise or lower the fill water temperature.
Water flow changes during fill	Automatic Temperature Control Valve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two valves mix cold and hot water. The flow of water changes when either valve turns on or off to raise or lower the fill water temperature.
Motor "whining up" or "coasting down" in spin	Motor ramping up/down during spin cycle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The motor will speed up incrementally during the spin cycle. When spin is complete, it will coast to a stop.
"Humming"	Water drain pump	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The drain pump will make a humming sound when it starts pumping out water after agitation stops and continues until spin is complete.
"Gurgling"	Water drain pump	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> When the pump starts drawing in air, it makes a gurgling sound. The washer should then begin spinning. The sound will continue until it is done spinning.
Washer is noisy	Washer is uneven	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To level the front of the washer, adjust the leveling legs by rotating the individual leg in the proper direction for up or down. To level the back of the washer, lift the back of the machine 4" (10 cm) and set down.

	Shipping rod is still assembled in the unit	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To remove the shipping rod from the washer, remove the yellow tag and remove the attached rod from the bottom right hand side of the washer.
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