

Washing Machine Maintenance Checklist

1. **Inspect Hoses Regularly:**
 - Check for signs of wear or damage.
 - Replace hoses every 5 years or sooner if they appear cracked or bulging.
2. **Clean the Lint Filter:**
 - Remove and clean the lint filter after every few loads to prevent clogs and improve efficiency.
 - If your machine doesn't have a removable lint filter, clean the internal filter according to the manufacturer's instructions.
3. **Check for Leaks:**
 - Inspect the area around your washing machine for any leaks or water pooling.
 - Address leaks promptly to prevent water damage and ensure proper operation.
4. **Level the Machine:**
 - Ensure the washing machine is level to reduce vibration and noise.
 - Adjust the feet if necessary to stabilize the machine.
5. **Clean the Drum:**
 - Run a cleaning cycle or use a washing machine cleaner once a month to remove detergent residue and mold.
 - Wipe down the drum and door seal to prevent buildup.
6. **Check and Clean the Dispenser:**
 - Remove and clean detergent and fabric softener dispensers to prevent clogs and buildup.
 - Ensure the dispensers are completely dry before reinserting them.
7. **Inspect the Door Seal:**
 - Check the door seal for mold, mildew, or foreign objects.
 - Wipe down the seal regularly and ensure it is free of debris.
8. **Ensure Proper Drainage:**
 - Verify that the drain hose is correctly positioned and not kinked or clogged.
 - Clean the drain pump filter if your machine has one.
9. **Run the Washer Empty:**
 - Run a hot water cycle with no clothes in the machine periodically to sanitize and remove residues.
10. **Check for Odd Noises or Vibrations:**
 - Pay attention to any unusual noises or excessive vibrations during operation.
 - If issues persist, consult a professional to check for mechanical problems.
11. **Examine the Water Inlet Valve:**
 - Ensure the water inlet valve is functioning properly and there are no leaks.
 - Clean or replace the valve screen if necessary.
12. **Review the User Manual:**
 - Regularly review the manufacturer's guidelines for maintenance and operation.
 - Follow specific recommendations for your washing machine model.
13. **Inspect the Power Cord:**
 - Check the power cord for signs of damage or fraying.
 - Replace the cord if it appears damaged to prevent electrical hazards.
14. **Keep the Area Around the Washer Clean:**
 - Maintain a clean and dry area around your washing machine to avoid mold growth and facilitate easy access.
15. **Check for Error Codes:**

- Monitor your washing machine for any error codes displayed on the control panel.
- Refer to the user manual to troubleshoot or seek professional help if necessary.

Washing Machine Troubleshooting Checklist

1. Machine Won't Start:

- Check if the power cord is plugged in securely.
- Ensure the door is fully closed and latched.
- Verify that the water supply is turned on.

2. Not Spinning or Agitating:

- Make sure the machine is level and properly balanced.
- Check for any obstructions in the drum.
- Inspect the drive belt for wear or damage.

3. Leaks During Operation:

- Inspect the hoses for any signs of leaks or damage.
- Ensure the door seal is intact and free of debris.
- Check the drain pump filter for clogs.

4. Excessive Vibration or Noise:

- Verify that the machine is level and the load is evenly distributed.
- Check for any loose or worn parts, such as the shock absorbers or springs.

5. Clothes Still Dirty After a Cycle:

- Ensure you're using the correct amount of detergent for your load size.
- Check for clogged detergent dispensers.
- Verify that the water temperature settings are appropriate for the type of load.

6. Machine Stops Mid-Cycle:

- Check if there are any issues with the power supply.
- Inspect the door lock mechanism for proper operation.
- Ensure the machine is not overloaded.

7. Unpleasant Odors:

- Run a cleaning cycle with a washing machine cleaner.
- Wipe down the drum and door seal to remove mildew or mold.
- Leave the door open between uses to allow the drum to dry.

8. Error Codes Displayed:

- Refer to the user manual for the meaning of the error code.
- Follow the troubleshooting steps provided or contact a professional for assistance.

For further assistance or if you encounter persistent issues, contact Aspire Appliance Services at 906-647-2722.