

CLEAN MORE. USE LESS.*



INCLUDES:



What You Need to Know
Before You Buy



Getting The Most Out Of
Your Laundry Pair



Easy Ways to Save Energy
and Water



BEFORE YOU BUY



Thinking of purchasing a new appliance? Learn the basics first! Before you head to the store, read these helpful tips on choosing the perfect appliance for you.

Everyone loves hassle-free solutions that help get things done effortlessly, which is why Amana® appliances can help meet all your household needs. When it comes to freshening up your kitchen or laundry room, high style doesn't have to be complicated. Read on to discover the top new picks.

I. MEASURE YOUR SPACE

Decide where you will install your new washer and dryer. You will need:

- A level floor with no more than a 1" (2.5 cm) slope
- A location that can support the installation of a dryer exhaust system
- Hot and cold water lines within 3' (91.4 cm) of washer hookups

Measure the height, width and depth of the area designated for your new washer and dryer.



- W: side to side** (add 1" (2.5 cm) on each side for air circulation)
- D: back to front** (add at least 6" (15.2 cm) to depth for door clearance, dryer vents, and hookups)
- H: top to bottom** (for top-loading washers, add at least 20" (50.8 cm) for door clearance)

Measure the clearance of doorways, hallways and other points of entry that will be used to deliver your new laundry pair.

2. CHOOSE FRONT- OR TOP-LOAD



Front-Load Washers

Benefits: They use less water than traditional top-loaders, and gently wash delicate fabrics or bulky items.

Capacity: Front-load models generally offer more room and fewer loads

Layout: They can be arranged side-by-side or stacked.

Special Requirements: Low-sudsing High-efficiency detergent is needed. Periodically clean washtub as directed to keep it fresh.

AMANA BRAND INSIGHTS:

Clean more, use less®. With an Amana® Front Load washer you can clean more in a single load compared to most traditional top-load washers.

They use less water: High-efficiency washers tumble clothes repeatedly with only a small amount of water and detergent.

They use less energy: A high-efficiency washer will lower the cost of your bills since there's much less water to heat.

There's plenty of space: High-efficiency washers and dryers have larger capacities, so you can fit more laundry into each load—and finish in fewer.



Front-load washers are **ENERGY STAR®** qualified; prepare to wash more and use less water and energy!

Want to invest in a new washer and dryer? Here's what you need to know.

1. Measure Your Space
2. Choose front- or top-load
3. Check Your Connection
4. Evaluate the Features
5. Choose Your Accessories



2. CHOOSE FRONT- OR TOP-LOAD (CONTINUED)



Top-Load Washers

- Benefits:** Classic models offer great value, plus a range of sizes, features and prices.
- Capacity:** Comes in range of capacities.
- Layout:** Side-by-side arrangement only.

3. CHECK YOUR CONNECTION — GAS OR ELECTRIC

There are two dryer types – gas and electric. Similar models look and perform the same, but differ in how they are set up. Your decision between the two will depend on where you will connect your new dryer:

- **Gas** – needs an approved gas line with shut off valve
- **Electric** – needs a three-prong outlet with 30 amp circuit

4. EVALUATE THE FEATURES

Here are some features that you may want in your new laundry pair:

Washer

- High Efficiency
- Super Capacity Sizes
- Water Level & Balance Sensors

Dryer

- Noise Reduction Packages
- Wrinkle Reduction Options
- Moisture-Sensing Cycles

5. CHOOSE YOUR ACCESSORIES

There are some handy organizers and accessories that can soup up a front-load pair.

- Pedestals: Raise your front-load washer and dryer to an ergonomic height while adding space to store detergent and supplies.
- Work Surfaces: Create a place for items to be pre-treated or folded atop your washer and dryer.
- Stack Kit: Stack your front-load washer and dryer for easy access.

BONUS TIPS:

Hire a pro if you lack the experience or tools to do it alone.

Confirm that electrical output is sufficient for the location of your new washer and dryer. You will need:

- A grounded electrical outlet within 4' (121.9 cm) of the rear of both machines (no extension cord or adaptor)
- A separate designated 30 amp circuit

Set water heater to 120°F (48.9°C) for washer.

Contact a licensed gas or heating professional if you plan to purchase a gas dryer. Your home should have:

- A CST International approved gas supply line
- A shut-off valve

Decide how you will dispose of your old laundry pair, if necessary.

- Some retailers offer removal of your old machines when your new ones are delivered
- Washers and dryers in good condition may be donated to a local charity



KEEP IT CLEAN

You've spent time researching, measuring, buying and finally enjoying the perfect new laundry pair. Now it's time to learn some tips and tricks on how to keep your clothes looking like new and getting the best performance out of your washer and dryer.

To get the most out of every load of clothes, Amana® Home Appliances offers easy tips to get the best results from your new washer and dryer.

COMMON MISTAKES

We all make mistakes, so here is a list to keep handy to refer to for a fix that will get your laundry cycle back on track.

Mistake: Using the wrong laundry detergent for your machine.

Quick fix: Use laundry detergent specially designed for your washing machine, particularly if you have a high efficiency model.

Mistake: Ignoring the tools and features on your washing machine.

Quick fix: Adjust your washing machine according to the soil level and size of the clothes to save time and money. For increased water efficiency, front-loading machines have sensors that regulate the amount of water based on the load size. To save time, use a shorter cycle for lightly soiled laundry.

Mistake: Using the wrong amount of laundry detergent.

Quick fix: Extra suds actually inhibit proper cleaning by holding onto soils and re-depositing them on your laundry. For best results, use less laundry detergent for soft water and more detergent for hard water. Add more detergent for larger loads and heavily soiled clothes.

Mistake: Not emptying the lint filter.

Quick fix: Always clean the lint screen. This increases energy efficiency, speeds up drying and reduces the risk of overheating associated with clogging.

STAIN REMOVAL

Stains happen, but when they do, use these guidelines to get pesky stains out:

- Treat stains promptly. Fresh stains are easier to remove than old ones. If the stain is on a non-washable fabric, take it to the dry cleaner as soon as possible. Tell them the stain and the fiber content of the garment.
- Read and follow package directions when using any stain removal product.
- Always test stain removers on an inside seam or other hidden part of garment for colour fastness. To test, apply product and let stand two to five minutes, then rinse. If color changes, do not use product on your garment.
- Do not mix stain removal products together. Some mixtures, such as ammonia and chlorine bleach, can produce noxious fumes.

TOP 5 LAUNDRY TIPS

Sometimes the laundry process can get the best of us. Conquer every load with the following tips:

- As the dirty clothes accumulate, pre-sort them using designated baskets for lights, darks and whites to save time when you're ready to wash.
- Don't forget to close zippers and clasp hooks to avoid snagging your favourite outfits. Double check pockets to avoid washing money, lipstick, wallets or other goods you want to keep dry.
- Incorporate storage solutions and flat working surfaces into your laundry room to start and finish your laundry all in one place.
- Clothes come out cleaner and less wrinkled when you don't overload the washer and dryer.
- It's important to clean your washing machine, especially high-efficiency ones, to keep it running well and help prevent odour-causing residue. To aid in maintenance, Amana® Home Appliances recommends using affresh® washer cleaner once a month for optimal results.

GO ONLINE:

Learn more about Amana® laundry
<http://www.amanacanada.ca/laundry.php>

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SAVE ENERGY & WATER IN THE LAUNDRY ROOM



Your new laundry pair shouldn't only look good, it should also help to save – on money, energy and water. The following key tips will help you learn to do just that.

The first step to making your appliances energy-efficient is choosing appliances with an ENERGY STAR® label. Many Amana® appliances are ENERGY STAR qualified and work hard to save you energy and water, with a range of features meant to help you save money on those utility bills.

ENERGY & WATER SAVING TIPS: WASHER

- Wash full loads, but don't overload the machine. According to NRCAN, washing full loads can save 3,400 gallons (12,870L) of water annually.
- Use cold water for rinsing, as warm and hot water require more energy to heat up.
- Set water heaters to 120°F (49°C) to achieve the most energy-efficient temperature.
- ENERGY STAR® qualified appliances work best with High Efficiency (HE) detergents because they create fewer suds than regular detergents.



ENERGY SAVING TIPS: DRYER

- Dry full loads of laundry. Air circulation is important to ensure thorough drying, so don't overload the dryer. Take advantage of leftover dryer heat by putting in loads one after the other.
- Dry similar fabric types together to ensure even drying and reduce the amount of time needed in the dryer.
- Use moisture-sensing settings to prevent wasting energy and over-drying your clothes.
- Clean the dryer lint filter after each load to maintain proper air circulation and heating.
- Keep the dryer's outside exhaust clean. A clogged exhaust lengthens drying time and increases energy use.



GO ONLINE:

If you want to see your energy conservation working to save you money, use this handy online energy cost calculator for new appliances: <http://oe.nrcan.gc.ca/residential/personal/appliances/energy-cost-calculator.cfm?attr=4>

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