

# LAUNDRY

## Frequently Asked Questions

### 1) If I purchase both the Ariston washer and dryer, what is the required electric hook-up?

Washer	115V / 13 Amp Service (maximum allowed 15 amp)
Dryer	240V / 13 Amp Service (maximum allowed 15 amp)
Combo	115V / 13 Amp Service (maximum allowed 15 amp)

### 2) How much laundry will my washer hold?

The washer holds approximately 13 pounds.

To get the best results; cotton and linen fabrics can be washed in full loads, permanent press fabrics in half loads, and delicate fabrics (machine washable wool and silk) should only be washed in one-third size loads.

### 3) What kind of detergent should I use and how much?

While any detergent can be used, to achieve optimal results use a low-sudsing detergent. We recommend Fab, Fresh Start, Amway SA8, Tide HE and Wisk HE. Even with these detergents, you only need about two tablespoons. Our washers are so water-efficient that using more than that will likely cause oversudsing. If using a non-low-sudsing detergent, please use only enough (approx. one tablespoon) to produce a small amount of suds.

### 4) Can I use liquid Bleach?

Yes, the Ariston washers have an insert that allows the use of liquid bleach.

### 5) What kind of softener should I use in the washer and how much?

We recommend that you use only two tablespoons of regular, concentrated fabric softener. If your clothes aren't soft enough, try using slightly more with the next load.

### 6) Is it normal not to be able to see the water level through the door?

Yes. Front-loading washers use much less water than top-loaders, so it is normal not to see the water in the tank. If you can see water drops on the glass window, the machine is filling correctly.

### **7) Why aren't my clothes as hot and "dry" as with my previous dryer?**

Ariston dryers use lower, less-damaging temperatures and have a "cool down" cycle at the end of each program. This means the garments are cool to the touch when you remove them from the dryer. The fabric will not be hot and may actually feel damp even though it is actually dry. As you are probably aware, the dryer is one of the largest electricity users in your household. And overdrying is one of the most damaging things you can do to your clothing. This more gentle approach to drying saves enormous amounts of electricity and greatly extends the life and beauty of your clothing.

If you want your clothes even dryer, try these tips.

- a. Try using a timed dry cycle instead of an automatic cycle.
- b. Some fabrics dry faster than others, so mixed loads will dry unevenly. Try drying like fabrics together.
- c. Be careful not to overload the dryer because the warm air needs sufficient room to circulate properly and the clothes need room to tumble freely.

### **8) How important is it to clean the filter after each load?**

Extremely! The lint filter is an integral of the drying system. If the filter is clogged the unit will not dry efficiently.

### **9) Can my lint filter be clogged even though it appears clean?**

Yes, the chemicals from fabric softener sheets can clog the filter. To test this, drop some water on it, if it runs through, it's OK. If not, it's clogged. This can easily be washed away with soap and water and a soft brush.

### **10) Can I use dryer sheets?**

We don't recommend dryer sheets, but if you feel you need them, use only half a sheet and be sure to remove them after each load.