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## ENERGY STAR Qualified Clothes Washers AT A GLANCE

### What is ENERGY STAR?

- The U.S. government-backed symbol of energy efficiency.
- A program dedicated to identifying products that save energy without sacrificing performance.

### Why buy ENERGY STAR qualified clothes washers?

#### Save energy

- Qualified clothes washers **use about 30% less energy** compared to regular washers, and they **use over 50% less water**.

#### Save money

- By dramatically reducing energy and water consumption, qualified clothes washers can **save about \$70 in annual utility costs**.
- Over the life of your new clothes washer that has earned the ENERGY STAR, you'll save over \$750—enough to pay for the matching dryer. With your water savings, you could fill three backyard swimming pools.

#### Save the environment

- By using less energy, qualified clothes washers **reduce greenhouse gas emissions** caused by burning fossil fuels at power plants.
- By reducing water consumption, they **help protect our lakes, streams, and oceans**.

#### High-efficiency features

Many qualified clothes washer models incorporate high-efficiency features such as:

- Higher capacity with front- and top-loading options without central agitators.
- High-pressure spray rinsing that saves water compared to filling and draining the tub.
- High-speed spin options that reduce drying time and energy use.
- Efficient motors and precise settings that can save energy and water.

### Share these tips with your customers

Get the best performance from an ENERGY STAR qualified clothes washer and save energy with the following practices:

- **Try cold water.** Switching the temperature setting from hot to warm can cut energy use in half for washing one load. Using the cold cycle reduces energy use even more.
- **Run full loads.** Clothes washers use about the same amount of energy no matter what size the load, so run a full load whenever possible to save time and money.
- **Spin it dry.** Choose the high spin speed or extended spin option to wring out the extra moisture in your clothes. This will reduce the amount of time your clothes take to dry.
- **Consider the clothes line.** Air drying clothes helps them last longer and saves energy.
- **Use the right detergent.** Always use high-efficiency detergent in front-loading machines. Using regular detergent can lead to poor washing and rinsing performance.

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