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## **Maintain your washer** to ensure best performance: By [Capital Appliance Repair](#)

Whether your washer is brand new or you have enjoyed using it for several years, it's important to understand how regular maintenance will help prolong the life of your appliance. Maintaining your washer is more than simply cleaning the detergent dispenser area. Here are some essential washer maintenance tips.

### **Level your washer**

Your washer is one of the heaviest appliances in your home. During the wash cycle, the drum will turn at a reasonable speed. Once your washer starts spinning, you will notice loud noises, and it can even shake its way out of position. When your washer shakes so much, it can result in significant damage to various parts of the machine. In order to prevent this, make sure that your washer is positioned on a hard, flat surface. You should also make sure that each leg of the washer is adjusted properly so that the machine is level. It's also a good idea to check your washer from time to time in order to make sure that it remains level.

### **Water hoses**

Water hoses come along with your washer, and they should fit and work perfectly for quite some time. Unfortunately, they do not last forever which means that they are bound to break and, at this point, the broken pipe will need to be replaced. Every few weeks, you should inspect the hoses on your washer. As a preventative measure, many experts agree that hoses should be replaced every 5 years. If you want a more durable option, you could use stainless steel fill hoses instead of the regular rubber variety.



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## Cleaning the surface

Keep your washer clean on the outside as well as the inside. Cleaning your washer on the outside is more for appearances. You should also run a cycle without any laundry to clean the system from time to time. If you have hard water, you should use a water softener.

## Lint removal

Lint does not only accumulate in your dryer. Your washer will also most likely have some kind of filter or lint trap as well. Like your dryer, the lint trap on your washer needs to be cleaned regularly. Different types of washers have lint traps located in various areas of the machine. If you don't know where the lint trap on your washer is, you can consult the user manual or even run a search online.

Finally, it's important to remember that wear and tear cannot be prevented. Every time you use your washer, the working parts will spring into action. Over time and after repeated use, this wear will take its toll, and these parts will eventually need to be replaced. For professional [same-day washer repairs](#), call Capital Appliance Repair at [\(613\) 454-1577](tel:6134541577).

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