

Whirlpool 481241458306

Whirlpool Washing Machine Program Knob

Model: 481241458306

Brand: Whirlpool

1. INTRODUCTION

This instruction manual provides essential information for the proper installation, operation, and maintenance of your Whirlpool Washing Machine Program Knob, Model 481241458306. Please read this manual carefully before attempting any installation or use to ensure safe and correct functionality.

2. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Whirlpool Program Knob, Model 481241458306, is an original replacement part designed for Whirlpool and Bauknecht washing machines. It allows users to select various wash programs. This knob measures approximately 40 mm in diameter and 50 mm in depth.



Figure 1: Front view of the Whirlpool Washing Machine Program Knob.

Key Features:

- Quality replacement part for the washing machine's program selector.
- Equivalent to product code 481241458306.
- Designed for Whirlpool and Bauknecht washing machines.

3. INSTALLATION

Proper installation ensures the longevity and correct function of your new program knob. Follow these steps carefully.

Safety Precautions:

- **Always unplug the washing machine from the power outlet before beginning any installation or maintenance to prevent electrical shock.**
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment if necessary.

Installation Steps:

1. **Preparation:** Ensure the washing machine is unplugged from the electrical outlet.
2. **Remove Old Knob (if applicable):** Gently pull the old program knob straight off the control shaft. If it is stuck, a slight twisting motion while pulling may help. Avoid excessive force to prevent damage to the control

panel or shaft.

3. **Inspect Shaft:** Examine the control shaft for any damage or debris. Clean the shaft if necessary to ensure a smooth fit for the new knob.
4. **Install New Knob:** Align the new Whirlpool Program Knob (Model 481241458306) with the control shaft. The internal splines of the knob (as shown in Figure 2) should match the shaft. Push the knob firmly onto the shaft until it is securely seated. Do not force it if it doesn't align; re-check alignment.
5. **Test Functionality:** Once installed, gently turn the knob to ensure it rotates smoothly and engages with the program selector mechanism. Reconnect the washing machine to power and test program selection.



Figure 2: Rear view of the program knob, illustrating the internal shaft receiver for proper alignment.

4. OPERATION

To operate the washing machine program knob, simply turn it clockwise or counter-clockwise to select the desired wash program. Ensure the knob clicks into place for each program selection to confirm it is properly engaged.

5. MAINTENANCE

To maintain the appearance and functionality of your program knob, wipe it periodically with a soft, damp cloth. Avoid using abrasive cleaners, harsh chemicals, or solvents, as these can damage the finish or material of the knob.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

- **Knob is Loose:** If the knob feels loose after installation, remove it and re-install, ensuring it is pushed firmly onto the control shaft until fully seated. Verify that the internal splines are correctly aligned with the shaft.
- **Knob Does Not Turn or Feels Stiff:** If the knob does not turn or feels stiff, ensure it is correctly aligned and fully seated on the shaft. Do not force it, as this may damage the knob or the washing machine's internal mechanism. If the issue persists, the internal mechanism of the washing machine's program selector may require professional inspection.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Specification	Detail
Model Number	481241458306
Brand Compatibility	Whirlpool, Bauknecht
Dimensions (Diameter)	Approximately 40 mm
Dimensions (Depth)	Approximately 50 mm

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Specific warranty information for this replacement part is not provided in this manual. For warranty details or further technical assistance, please refer to your washing machine's main instruction manual or contact Whirlpool customer support directly. Keep your purchase receipt for any warranty claims.