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Model: FMSL 603 EU

INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing a Hotpoint appliance. This user manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient use of your FMSL 603 EU front-load washing machine. Please read these instructions carefully before using the appliance and keep them for future reference.

1. SETUP AND INSTALLATION



Figure 1: Front view of the Hotpoint FMSL 603 EU washing machine. This image shows the appliance's general appearance, including the control panel, detergent drawer, and door.

1.1 Unpacking

- Remove all packaging materials.
- Remove the transport bolts located at the rear of the machine. These bolts secure the drum during transit and must be removed before use to prevent damage.
- Keep all packaging components out of reach of children.

1.2 Location and Leveling

- Place the washing machine on a flat, stable floor.
- Ensure there is adequate space around the appliance for ventilation and access. The dimensions of the appliance are approximately 59.5 cm (width) x 42.5 cm (depth) x 85 cm (height).
- Adjust the adjustable feet at the bottom of the machine to ensure it is perfectly level. A level machine reduces vibration and noise during operation.

1.3 Water Connection

- Connect the water inlet hose to a cold water tap with a 3/4" thread. Ensure the connection is tight to prevent leaks.
- Position the drain hose into a standpipe or over the edge of a sink, ensuring it is securely fixed to prevent displacement during draining. The end of the drain hose should be between 65 cm and 100 cm from the floor.

1.4 Electrical Connection

- Plug the appliance into a grounded electrical outlet.
- Ensure the voltage and frequency match the specifications on the rating plate of the machine.
- Do not use extension cords or multiple adapters.

1.5 First Use

Before washing laundry for the first time, run a short wash cycle without laundry and with a small amount of detergent to clean the drum and remove any manufacturing residues.

2. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Control Panel Overview

The control panel typically features a program selector knob, function buttons, and a display. Refer to the diagram on your machine for specific button functions and program names.

- **Program Selector Knob:** Used to choose the desired wash program.
- **Function Buttons:** Allow selection of additional options such as pre-wash, extra rinse, or spin speed adjustment.
- **Start/Pause Button:** Initiates or pauses the selected wash program.

2.2 Loading Laundry

- Open the washing machine door.
- Load laundry loosely into the drum, ensuring not to overload the machine. Overloading can reduce washing performance and cause excessive wear.
- Close the door firmly until it clicks shut.

2.3 Adding Detergent and Additives

- Pull out the detergent dispenser drawer.
- Add the appropriate amount of detergent to the main wash compartment (usually marked 'II').

- If using fabric softener, add it to the designated compartment (usually marked with a flower symbol).
- For pre-wash, add detergent to the pre-wash compartment (usually marked 'I').
- Close the detergent drawer gently.

2.4 Selecting a Program and Options

- Turn the program selector knob to choose the desired wash program (e.g., Cotton, Synthetics, Delicates, Quick Wash).
- Select any additional options (e.g., temperature, spin speed, extra rinse) using the function buttons.

2.5 Starting the Wash Cycle

Press the Start/Pause button to begin the wash cycle. The machine will automatically lock the door and start filling with water.

2.6 Interrupting or Changing a Program

- To pause a program, press the Start/Pause button.
- To change a program, first pause the current program, then turn the program selector knob to the 'Off' position, wait a few seconds, and then select a new program. Note that changing a program mid-cycle may not be possible if the water level is high or the temperature is hot.

2.7 End of Cycle

At the end of the cycle, the machine will signal with an audible alert or a light indicator. The door will unlock after a short delay. Remove laundry promptly to prevent creasing and odors.

3. MAINTENANCE AND CARE

3.1 Cleaning the Detergent Dispenser

- Pull out the dispenser drawer completely.
- Rinse it under running water to remove any detergent residue.
- Clean the housing of the dispenser drawer with a brush.
- Reinsert the drawer.

3.2 Cleaning the Door Seal

Regularly wipe the rubber door seal with a damp cloth to remove lint, dirt, and detergent residue. This prevents mold growth and unpleasant odors.

3.3 Cleaning the Filter

- Locate the filter cover at the bottom front of the machine.
- Place a shallow container beneath the filter to catch any residual water.
- Carefully open the filter cover and unscrew the filter.
- Remove any lint, coins, or foreign objects from the filter and rinse it under running water.
- Screw the filter back in and close the cover securely.

3.4 Cleaning the Exterior

Wipe the exterior surfaces of the washing machine with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or solvents.

3.5 Descaling

In areas with hard water, periodic descaling may be necessary. Use a suitable descaling product designed for washing machines and follow the manufacturer's instructions.

3.6 Winter Care

If the machine is to be left in an unheated area during winter, drain all water from the hoses and pump to prevent freezing and damage.

4. TROUBLESHOOTING

Before contacting customer service, please check the following common issues:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Machine does not start	Power cord unplugged, door not closed properly, program not selected, Start/Pause button not pressed.	Check power connection, ensure door is latched, select a program, press Start/Pause.
Water not filling	Water tap closed, inlet hose kinked, water supply cut off.	Open water tap, straighten hose, check household water supply.
Water not draining	Drain hose kinked or blocked, filter blocked.	Straighten/clear drain hose, clean the filter (see Section 3.3).
Excessive vibration/noise	Machine not level, transport bolts not removed, uneven load.	Level the machine, ensure transport bolts are removed, redistribute laundry.
Detergent residue on clothes	Too much detergent, dispenser blocked, low water pressure.	Reduce detergent, clean dispenser, check water pressure.

5. SPECIFICATIONS

- **Model:** FMSL 603 EU
- **Type:** Freestanding Front-Load Washing Machine
- **Dimensions (W x D x H):** 59.5 cm x 42.5 cm x 85 cm
- **Color:** White
- **Power Supply:** Refer to the rating plate on the appliance.
- **Water Pressure:** 0.05 MPa - 1 MPa
- **Net Weight:** Approximately 60 kg

Note: Specifications are subject to change without notice for product improvement. For detailed and up-to-date information, please refer to the product label or the official Hotpoint website.

6. WARRANTY INFORMATION

Your Hotpoint FMSL 603 EU washing machine is covered by a manufacturer's warranty. The terms and conditions of the warranty may vary by region and country. Please refer to the warranty card provided with your appliance or visit the official Hotpoint website for detailed information regarding warranty periods, coverage, and how to make a claim. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase, as it will be required for any warranty service.

7. CUSTOMER SUPPORT

Should you require assistance with your Hotpoint FMSL 603 EU washing machine, please contact Hotpoint Customer Service. Before calling, please have your appliance's model number (FMSL 603 EU) and serial number ready. This information can typically be found on the rating plate located on the appliance.

- **Online Support:** Visit the official Hotpoint website for FAQs, troubleshooting guides, and service request forms.
- **Telephone Support:** Refer to your local Hotpoint contact information provided in the documentation that came with your appliance.

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