Whirlpool W11205050

Whirlpool W11205050 Washer Fabric Softener Dispenser Cup

Instruction Manual

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1. Introduction

This manual provides essential information for the proper installation, operation, and maintenance of your Whirlpool W11205050 Washer Fabric Softener Dispenser Cup. This is a genuine Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) part designed to ensure optimal performance and compatibility with your Whirlpool washer. Please read these instructions carefully before proceeding with installation or use.

2. Product Overview

The Whirlpool W11205050 Fabric Softener Dispenser Cup is a crucial component in your washing machine's fabric care system. Its primary function is to hold liquid fabric softener and dispense it into the wash water at the appropriate cycle phase, ensuring even distribution and effective softening of your laundry.



Figure 2.1: The Whirlpool W11205050 Fabric Softener Dispenser Cup. This cup is designed to hold and dispense liquid fabric softener during the wash cycle.

This part is a manufacturer substitution for prior parts, including W10863013. While its appearance may differ slightly from the original, it is functionally equivalent and designed to perform identically.

3. Compatibility

It is critical to verify that this part is compatible with your specific washer model before installation. Using an incompatible part can lead to improper function or damage to your appliance.



Figure 3.1: Always verify part compatibility with your appliance's model number.

This part is compatible with various Whirlpool washer models, including but not limited to:

- 4KMVWC440JW1, 7MMVWC465JW0, 7MMVWC417FW0, MVW5035MW2, MVW5035MW1, MVWC465HW0, 4KMVWC430JW1, MVWC465HW3, 4KMVWC430JW0, MVWC465HW4, MVW5035MW0, MVWC465HW1, MVWC465HW2, 4KMVWC420JW0, MVWC416FW1, 4KMVWC420JW1, MVWC565FW3, MVWC565FW2, MVWC565FW1, MVWC416FW0, MVWC565FW0, 7MMVWC565FW1, 7MMVWC565FW0, 7MMVWC416FW0, 4KMVWC410JW1, 4KMVWC410JW0, MVW5435PW0, MVW5435PW1, MVW5435PBK1, MVW5435PBK0, MVW4505MW2, 4KMVWC440JW0, MVW4505MW1, MVW4505MW0

If your model number is not listed, please consult your washer's owner's manual or contact Whirlpool customer support for verification.

4. Installation Instructions

Always prioritize safety. Before attempting any installation or repair, ensure the washing machine is disconnected from its power source to prevent electrical shock.

4.1 Safety Precautions

- **Disconnect Power:** Unplug the washer from the electrical outlet or turn off the circuit breaker before beginning.
- **Wear Gloves:** Protect your hands from sharp edges or residues.
- **Consult Owner's Manual:** Refer to your specific washer's owner's manual for detailed, model-specific installation steps.

4.2 General Installation Steps

1. **Access the Dispenser Area:** Open the washer lid or access panel to locate the existing fabric softener dispenser.
2. **Remove Old Dispenser (if applicable):** Gently twist or pull the old dispenser cup to remove it. Note its orientation for correct installation of the new part.
3. **Install New Dispenser:** Align the new Whirlpool W11205050 dispenser cup with the dispenser housing. Push down or twist until it securely locks into place. Ensure it sits flush and does not wobble.
4. **Restore Power:** Once the new dispenser is securely installed, close any access panels and reconnect the washer to its power source.
5. **Test Functionality:** Run a short cycle with water to ensure the dispenser operates correctly and does not leak.



Figure 4.1: The dispenser cup shown with a measuring tape for size reference, aiding in proper fitment.

5. Operating Instructions

Using the fabric softener dispenser cup correctly ensures your clothes receive the intended softening treatment.

1. **Fill with Fabric Softener:** Pour the recommended amount of liquid fabric softener into the dispenser cup. Do not overfill beyond the 'MAX' fill line, if present.

2. **Dilute if Necessary:** Some fabric softeners, especially concentrated types, may require dilution with water before being added to the dispenser. Check your fabric softener product label for specific instructions. The dispenser itself may also indicate 'DILUTE WITH WATER'.
3. **Close Washer Lid:** Ensure the washer lid is closed properly before starting the wash cycle. The dispenser will automatically release the fabric softener during the rinse cycle.



Figure 5.1: Top view of the dispenser, indicating the need to dilute fabric softener with water.

6. Maintenance

Regular cleaning of the fabric softener dispenser cup is essential to prevent buildup and ensure proper dispensing.

1. **Remove the Dispenser:** Periodically, remove the dispenser cup from its housing.
2. **Clean with Warm Water:** Rinse the dispenser cup thoroughly under warm running water. Use a small brush or cloth to remove any fabric softener residue or buildup.
3. **Check for Clogs:** Ensure all openings and channels in the dispenser are clear and free from obstructions.
4. **Reinstall:** Once clean and dry, reinstall the dispenser cup securely into its position.

7. Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues with your fabric softener dispenser, consider the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Fabric softener not dispensing	Clogged dispenser; dispenser not seated correctly; softener too thick.	Clean the dispenser thoroughly. Ensure it is properly installed. Dilute fabric softener with water if it is too thick.
Fabric softener dispensing too early/late	Dispenser mechanism fault (less common for a simple cup); incorrect washer cycle selected.	Ensure the dispenser cup is clean and free of debris. Verify the correct wash cycle is selected for fabric softener use. If issues persist, consult a qualified technician.
Residue left in dispenser	Insufficient rinsing; softener buildup.	Clean the dispenser regularly. Dilute fabric softener if it's highly concentrated.

8. Specifications

- **Part Number:** W11205050
- **Brand:** Whirlpool
- **Material:** Fabric (referring to the material type for the part's function, not the physical material of the cup itself, which is plastic)
- **Package Dimensions:** Approximately 4.5 x 3.5 x 3.37 inches
- **Compatibility:** Genuine OEM part for various Whirlpool washer models.

9. Warranty and Support

As a genuine Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) part, the Whirlpool W11205050 Fabric Softener Dispenser Cup is manufactured to high-quality standards. For specific warranty information, please refer to the documentation included with your original washing machine or contact Whirlpool customer service directly.



Figure 9.1: Whirlpool is the manufacturer of this genuine OEM part.

For technical assistance, replacement part inquiries, or warranty claims, please visit the official**Whirlpool website** or contact their customer support line.

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