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INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the installation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your UpStart Components 312959 Dryer Belt Replacement. This product is designed to be compatible with Maytag DE482 dryers and other models requiring a WPY312959 belt. Proper installation and care will ensure optimal performance and extend the lifespan of your appliance.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

Always prioritize safety when working with appliances. Failure to follow these instructions could result in electric shock, fire, or personal injury.

- **Disconnect Power:** Before attempting any repair or installation, always unplug the dryer from the electrical outlet or turn off the power at the circuit breaker.
- **Wear Protective Gear:** Use appropriate personal protective equipment, such as gloves, to prevent cuts or scrapes.
- **Professional Assistance:** If you are unsure about any step of the installation process, consult a qualified appliance technician.
- **Handle with Care:** Dryer components can have sharp edges. Exercise caution when reaching inside the appliance.
- **Ventilation:** Ensure the work area is well-ventilated.

INSTALLATION GUIDE

This section outlines the general steps for replacing a dryer belt. Specific disassembly and reassembly procedures may vary slightly depending on your dryer model. Refer to your dryer's service manual for detailed instructions if needed.

Before You Begin

- Ensure the dryer is unplugged from the power source.
- Gather necessary tools (e.g., screwdrivers, nut drivers).
- Clear a workspace around the dryer.

Installation Steps

1. **Access the Drum:** Depending on your dryer model, you may need to remove the top panel, front panel, or rear panel to gain access to the dryer drum and belt assembly. This often involves removing screws and clips.
2. **Locate the Old Belt:** Identify the old, broken, or worn-out dryer belt wrapped around the drum and idler pulley/motor pulley.
3. **Remove the Old Belt:** Carefully remove any remaining pieces of the old belt. Note how the belt was routed around the pulleys.
4. **Position the New Belt:** Place the new UpStart Components dryer belt around the dryer drum. Ensure it is centered and flat on the drum surface.
5. **Route the Belt:** Route the belt around the motor pulley and the idler pulley. The idler pulley typically provides tension to the belt. Ensure the ribbed side of the belt faces the pulleys for proper grip.
6. **Verify Tension:** Once routed, the belt should have proper tension, allowing the drum to spin freely but without excessive slack.
7. **Reassemble the Dryer:** Carefully reattach all panels and screws that were removed during disassembly. Ensure all connections are secure.
8. **Test Operation:** Plug the dryer back into the power source. Run a short cycle to ensure the drum spins correctly and the belt operates smoothly without unusual noises.



Image 1: A pack containing two UpStart Components replacement dryer belts. These belts are designed for durability and compatibility with various dryer models.



Image 2: A detailed view of one dryer belt, highlighting its robust construction and flexible material, essential for transmitting power to the dryer drum.



Image 3: An extreme close-up showing the ribbed surface of the dryer belt, which provides necessary traction against the motor and idler pulleys for efficient drum rotation.

OPERATION AND FUNCTION

The dryer belt is a critical component that connects the dryer's motor to the drum. When the motor operates, the belt transfers rotational energy, causing the drum to spin. This spinning action, combined with heat, tumbles clothes to dry them efficiently. A properly installed and functioning belt ensures smooth, consistent drum rotation, which is essential for effective drying.

MAINTENANCE

While dryer belts are designed for durability, regular inspection and proper dryer usage can help extend their lifespan and prevent premature failure.

- **Avoid Overloading:** Overloading your dryer can put excessive strain on the motor and belt, leading to premature wear.
- **Clean Lint Filter:** Regularly clean the lint filter before or after each load to maintain proper airflow and prevent the

dryer from overheating, which can affect belt integrity.

- **Inspect Periodically:** If you notice any unusual noises or changes in drying performance, consider inspecting the belt for signs of fraying, cracking, or stretching.
- **Keep Dryer Clean:** Ensure the area around the motor and pulleys is free from lint and debris, which can interfere with belt operation.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If your dryer is experiencing issues related to the drum's rotation, the belt may be the cause. Here are some common problems and potential solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Dryer runs but drum does not spin.	Broken or detached dryer belt.	Inspect and replace the dryer belt if broken. Reattach if detached.
Squealing or grinding noise during operation.	Worn-out belt, worn idler pulley, or worn drum rollers.	Check the belt for wear. Also inspect idler pulley and drum rollers for smooth operation. Replace worn parts.
Dryer stops mid-cycle or takes too long to dry.	Belt slipping due to wear or improper tension.	Inspect the belt for stretching or damage. Ensure proper tension. Consider replacing the belt.

Note: Always disconnect power before inspecting internal components. If the issue persists after checking the belt, other components such as the motor, idler pulley, or drum rollers may need inspection by a qualified technician.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

- **Brand:** UpStart Components
- **Part Number:** AP-312959-2PK-DL28
- **Compatible Devices:** Maytag DE482 Dryer, and other models requiring WPY312959, AP6024192, Y312959, 1000H5, 3-12959, 3-14774, 312959, 314774, 8195-959, P46-150, P46-151, PS11757542, WPY312959VP.
- **Quantity:** 2 belts per pack
- **Material:** Ultra durable, high quality material designed to resist wear and tear.

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