Whirlpool FFTCM118XBFR

Whirlpool 8kg Condenser Dryer FFTCM118XBFR User Manual

Model: FFTCM118XBFR | Brand: Whirlpool

1. Introduction and Overview

Thank you for choosing the Whirlpool 8kg Condenser Dryer FFTCM118XBFR. This appliance is designed to provide efficient and gentle drying for your laundry. Featuring 6th Sense technology, FreshCare+, and an EasyCleaning filter, this dryer offers advanced performance and convenience. Please read this manual carefully before using your dryer to ensure safe and optimal operation.



Front view of the Whirlpool 8kg Condenser Dryer FFTCM118XBFR, showcasing its modern design and control panel.

Key Features:

- **8 kg Capacity:** Suitable for medium to large laundry loads.
- **Condenser Technology:** Collects moisture in a removable tank, eliminating the need for external venting.
- **6th Sense Technology:** Intelligently monitors and adapts drying cycles for optimal performance and energy efficiency.
- **FreshCare+:** Keeps laundry fresh and prevents creases for up to 6 hours after the cycle ends with gentle tumbling.
- **EasyCleaning Filter:** Simplifies maintenance with an easily accessible and cleanable condenser filter.
- **15 Programs:** Including specific programs for Duvet, Wool, and Eco Cotton.

- **Delayed Start:** Schedule your drying cycle up to 24 hours in advance.
- **Child Lock:** Prevents accidental changes to settings.

2. Safety Instructions

Your safety and the safety of others are very important. Please read all instructions before installing and using your dryer. Keep this manual for future reference.

General Safety:

- This appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
- Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
- Do not allow children to play on or in the appliance.
- Do not install or store this appliance where it will be exposed to the weather.
- Do not dry unwashed items in the tumble dryer.
- Items that have been soiled with substances such as cooking oil, acetone, alcohol, petrol, kerosene, spot removers, turpentine, waxes and wax removers should be washed in hot water with an extra amount of detergent before being dried in the tumble dryer.
- Items such as foam rubber (latex foam), shower caps, waterproof textiles, rubber backed articles and clothes or pillows fitted with foam rubber pads should not be dried in the tumble dryer.
- Fabric softeners, or similar products, should be used as specified by the fabric softener instructions.
- Remove all objects from pockets such as lighters and matches.
- The final part of a tumble dryer cycle occurs without heat (cool down cycle) to ensure that the items are left at a temperature that will not damage them.
- Never stop a tumble dryer before the end of the drying cycle unless all items are quickly removed and spread out so that the heat is dissipated.
- The appliance must not be supplied through an external switching device, such as a timer, or connected to a circuit that is regularly switched on and off by a utility.

Electrical Safety:

- Ensure the dryer is properly grounded.
- Do not use extension cords or adapters.
- Do not operate the dryer if the power cord is damaged.
- Always unplug the dryer before cleaning or performing any maintenance.

3. Setup and Installation

Proper installation is crucial for the safe and efficient operation of your dryer. Follow these steps carefully.

Unpacking:

- Remove all packaging materials, including the polystyrene base and any protective films or tapes.
- Check the dryer for any transport damage. If damaged, do not install or use it, and contact your retailer.
- Remove any accessories or documentation from inside the drum.



The dryer with its door open, showing the spacious drum and the interior components.

Placement:

- Place the dryer on a firm, level floor. Use the adjustable feet to level the appliance if necessary.
- Ensure adequate ventilation around the dryer. Do not block the ventilation openings.
- Avoid installing the dryer in areas where the temperature may fall below 5°C, as this can affect performance.



The Whirlpool dryer positioned in a room, illustrating the recommended space for proper ventilation.

Electrical Connection:

- Connect the dryer to a properly grounded electrical outlet. Refer to the specifications for voltage and current requirements.
- Do not use multi-plugs or extension cords.

Condensate Drain Connection:

The dryer collects condensed water in a removable tank. You can also connect it to an external drain for continuous drainage, eliminating the need to manually empty the tank.

- Locate the drain hose at the back of the dryer.
- If connecting to an external drain, remove the hose from its current position and connect it to a suitable drain pipe (e.g., a sink drain or a dedicated standpipe). Ensure the connection is secure to prevent leaks.

Door Reversal:

The dryer door is reversible, allowing you to change its opening direction to suit your laundry room layout. Consult the detailed instructions in the full product manual for this procedure, as it typically involves specific tools and steps.

4. Operating Instructions

Follow these steps to operate your Whirlpool condenser dryer effectively.

Loading Laundry:

- Sort laundry by fabric type and desired drying level.
- Do not overload the dryer. Ensure clothes can tumble freely.
- Close the dryer door firmly.

Selecting a Program:



Close-up of the control panel, showing the program selector knob and various option buttons.

- Turn the program selector knob to choose one of the 15 available programs, such as:
    - **Duvet:** For large, bulky items like duvets and blankets.
    - **Wool:** Gentle drying for wool items, minimizing shrinkage.
    - **Eco Cotton:** Energy-efficient program for cotton laundry.
    - **Synthetics:** For synthetic fabrics.
    - **Delicates:** For fragile items requiring low heat.
    - **Rapid 30':** Quick drying for small loads.
- Use the option buttons to customize your cycle:
    - **Drying Level:** Adjust the desired dryness (e.g., Iron Dry, Hanger Dry, Cupboard Dry).
    - **Drying Time:** Manually set the drying duration for specific needs.
    - **FreshCare+:** Activates the anti-crease function after the cycle.
    - **Delayed Start:** Set a delay for the cycle to begin.
- The display will show the estimated remaining time.

Starting a Cycle:

- Once the program and options are selected, press the Start/Pause button to begin the cycle.

End of Cycle:

- The dryer will signal the end of the cycle.
- If FreshCare+ is activated, the drum will periodically tumble to keep clothes fresh.
- Open the door and remove your laundry promptly to prevent creasing.

Child Lock:

To activate or deactivate the child lock, press and hold the designated button (refer to your control panel for the specific

button, often indicated by a lock icon) for a few seconds until the indicator light appears or disappears.

5. Maintenance

Regular maintenance ensures optimal performance and extends the lifespan of your dryer.

Cleaning the Lint Filter:

- Clean the lint filter after every drying cycle.
- Open the dryer door and pull out the lint filter, usually located inside the door opening.
- Remove any accumulated lint by hand or with a soft brush.
- Rinse the filter under running water if necessary, and ensure it is completely dry before reinserting.

Emptying the Water Tank:

- The water tank collects condensed water and should be emptied after each cycle, unless connected to an external drain.
- Pull out the water tank, typically located at the top left of the control panel.
- Empty the water into a sink.
- Push the tank back into its position until it clicks.

Cleaning the EasyCleaning Condenser Filter:

The EasyCleaning system makes condenser maintenance simple.



The EasyCleaning condenser filter, shown removed from the dryer for cleaning.

- Periodically clean the condenser filter, usually indicated by a light on the control panel.
- Open the lower access panel (refer to your dryer's specific location).
- Remove the EasyCleaning filter unit.
- Rinse the filter under running water to remove any lint or debris.
- Ensure the filter is completely dry before reinserting it and closing the access panel.

Cleaning the Drum:



A detailed view of the stainless steel drum interior, highlighting its texture and design.

- Wipe the interior of the stainless steel drum with a damp cloth periodically to remove any residue.
- Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads.

6. Troubleshooting

Before contacting customer service, try these solutions for common issues.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Dryer does not start.	No power, door not closed, child lock active.	Check power supply, ensure door is latched, deactivate child lock.
Laundry not drying properly.	Overloaded, lint filter clogged, wrong program, water tank full.	Reduce load size, clean lint filter, select appropriate program, empty water tank.
Excessive noise during operation.	Dryer not level, foreign objects in drum.	Adjust leveling feet, check drum for loose items.
Water leaking.	Water tank not properly inserted, drain hose loose.	Ensure water tank is secure, check drain hose connections.

If the problem persists after trying these solutions, please refer to the full user manual or contact Whirlpool customer support.

7. Specifications

Detailed technical specifications for the Whirlpool 8kg Condenser Dryer FFTCM118XBFR.

- **Brand:** Whirlpool
- **Model Name:** FFTCM118XBFR
- **Product Dimensions (L x W x H):**86 x 59.5 x 64.9 cm
- **Item Weight:** 37.24 Kilograms
- **Energy Efficiency Class:** B
- **Capacity:** 8 Kilograms
- **Drying Capacity:** 8 Kilograms
- **Noise Level:** 66 Decibels

- **Installation Type:** Freestanding
- **Loading Type:** Front Load
- **Color:** Silver
- **Material:** Stainless Steel
- **Door Orientation:** Reversible
- **Manufacturer:** Whirlpool
- **First Available Date:** November 24, 2021

8. Warranty and Support

Your Whirlpool 8kg Condenser Dryer FFTCM118XBFR comes with a manufacturer's warranty and support options.

Warranty Information:

- **Manufacturer's Commercial Warranty:** 2 years
- Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims.
- The warranty covers defects in materials and workmanship under normal use.

Customer Support:

For technical assistance, spare parts, or warranty service, please contact Whirlpool customer support. Refer to the contact information provided in your product packaging or on the official Whirlpool website for your region.
Spare parts availability information is not available at this time.

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