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MODEL: WM ELITE 8A (869991645060)

1. Introduction and Overview

This manual provides comprehensive instructions for the safe and efficient operation, installation, and maintenance of your Bauknecht WM Elite 8A washing machine. Please read this manual carefully before using the appliance for the first time and keep it for future reference.

Your Bauknecht WM Elite 8A washing machine is equipped with advanced features designed to provide excellent washing results while being energy efficient:

- **Active Care Color+:** Powerful stain removal, preserving vibrant colors for longer.
- **Steam Hygiene with Antivirus:** Utilizes steam to remove up to 99.9% of viruses and bacteria.
- **Steam Refresh:** Refreshes garments by removing odors and relaxing fibers with steam in just 20 minutes, reducing the need for a full wash.
- **Option Rapid/Green:** Allows you to choose between reducing wash duration or saving energy.
- **Final Care:** Prevents creases in laundry by gently tumbling the drum after the wash cycle.
- **Stop&Add Function:** Enables you to add forgotten garments to the wash cycle even after it has started.
- **Dynamic Inverter Motor:** Ensures quiet operation and long-lasting performance.
- **Excellent Wool Program:** Specifically designed to gently wash delicate wool items.

2. Setup and Installation

The Bauknecht WM Elite 8A is a freestanding front-loader washing machine. Proper installation is crucial for optimal performance and safety.

Unpacking and Positioning

Carefully remove all packaging materials and transport bolts before installation. Ensure the machine is placed on a stable, level surface. Adjust the feet to ensure the appliance is perfectly balanced to prevent vibrations during operation.



Figure 2.1: Front view of the Bauknecht WM Elite 8A washing machine.

Water and Electrical Connections

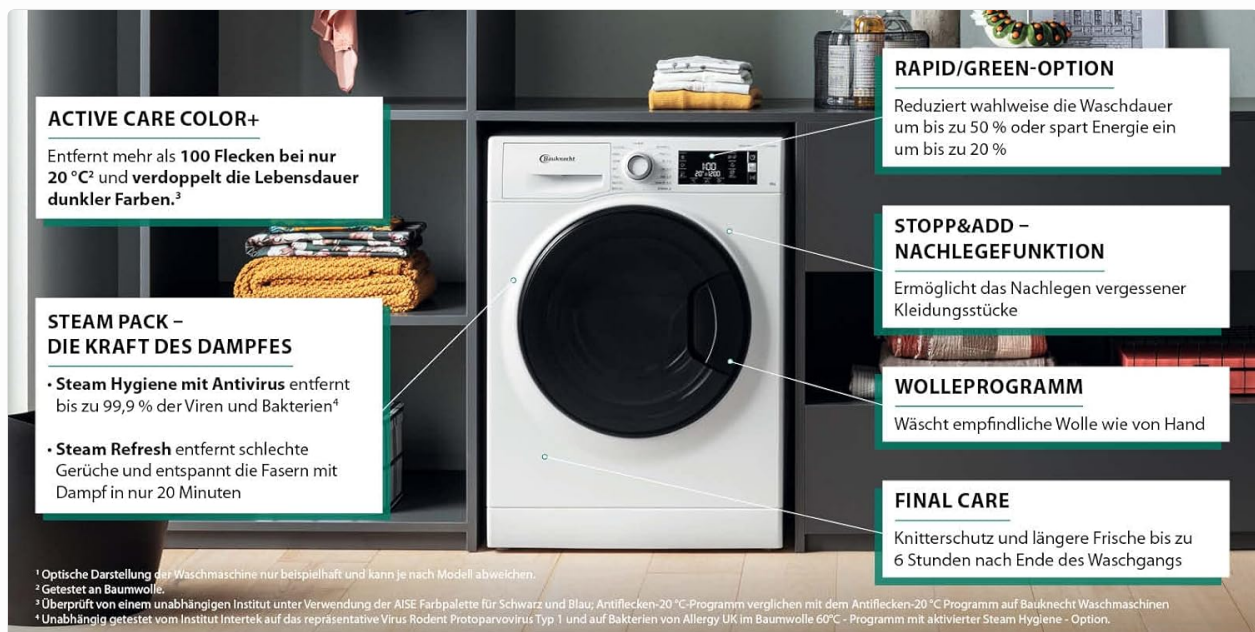
Connect the water inlet hose to a cold water tap and the drain hose to a suitable drain. Ensure all connections are secure to prevent leaks. Plug the power cord into a grounded electrical outlet. Refer to the technical specifications for voltage requirements.

Dimensions

The appliance dimensions are approximately 60.5 cm (depth) x 59.5 cm (width) x 85 cm (height). Allow sufficient space around the machine for ventilation and access.

3. Operating Instructions

Familiarize yourself with the control panel and various wash programs to achieve the best results for your laundry.



ACTIVE CARE COLOR+
Entfernt mehr als 100 Flecken bei nur 20 °C² und verdoppelt die Lebensdauer dunkler Farben.³

STEAM PACK – DIE KRAFT DES DAMPFES

- **Steam Hygiene mit Antivirus** entfernt bis zu 99,9 % der Viren und Bakterien⁴
- **Steam Refresh** entfernt schlechte Gerüche und entspannt die Fasern mit Dampf in nur 20 Minuten

RAPID/GREEN-OPTION
Reduziert wahlweise die Waschdauer um bis zu 50 % oder spart Energie ein um bis zu 20 %

STOPP&ADD – NACHLEGEFUNKTION
Ermöglicht das Nachlegen vergessener Kleidungsstücke

WOLLEPROGRAMM
Wäscht empfindliche Wolle wie von Hand

FINAL CARE
Knitterschutz und längere Frische bis zu 6 Stunden nach Ende des Waschgangs

¹ Optische Darstellung der Waschmaschine nur beispielhaft und kann je nach Modell abweichen.
² Getestet an Baumwolle.
³ Überprüft von einem unabhängigen Institut unter Verwendung der AISE Farbpalette für Schwarz und Blau; Antiflecken-20 °C-Programm verglichen mit dem Antiflecken-20 °C Programm auf Bauknecht Waschmaschinen
⁴ Unabhängig getestet vom Institut Intertek auf das repräsentative Virus Rodent Prototyparvovirus Typ 1 und auf Bakterien von Allergy UK im Baumwolle 60°C - Programm mit aktivierter Steam Hygiene - Option.

ACTIVE CARE COLOR+ WASCHMASCHINEN¹

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Figure 3.1: Key features of the Bauknecht WM Elite 8A washing machine.

Control Panel Overview

The control panel features a central program selection dial, a digital display, and touch-sensitive buttons for various options and settings.



Figure 3.2: Close-up of the control panel and program dial.

Loading Laundry

Open the door and load your laundry into the drum. Do not overload the machine; refer to the program guide for maximum load capacities. The machine has an 8 kg capacity.



Figure 3.3: Interior of the washing machine drum.

Detergent Dispenser

Pull out the detergent dispenser drawer. Add appropriate amounts of detergent and fabric softener to the designated compartments. Refer to your detergent packaging for recommended dosages.



Figure 3.4: Detergent dispenser drawer.

Program Selection and Options

Turn the program dial to select the desired wash program (e.g., Cotton, Synthetics, Wool, Eco 40-60, Allergy, Refresh). Use the touch buttons to select additional options such as temperature, spin speed, Steam Hygiene, Steam Refresh, Rapid/Green, and Final Care. The display will show the selected settings and remaining time.



Figure 3.5: Digital display and option buttons.

Starting a Wash Cycle

Press the Start/Pause button to begin the selected wash cycle. If you need to add forgotten items, use the Stop&Add function by pressing the dedicated button. The machine will pause, allowing you to open the door (if water level and temperature permit) and add items, then press Start/Pause again to resume.

4. Maintenance and Care

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and optimal performance of your washing machine.

Cleaning the Detergent Dispenser

Periodically remove and clean the detergent dispenser drawer to prevent residue buildup. Rinse it under running water and use a brush if necessary. Ensure all compartments are clear before reinserting.

Cleaning the Drum and Door Seal

Wipe the inside of the drum and the rubber door seal after each wash to remove any moisture or lint. This helps prevent mold and unpleasant odors. Run a maintenance wash cycle (e.g., a hot wash with no laundry and a descaling agent) regularly to clean the drum and internal components.

Cleaning the Filter

Locate and clean the drain pump filter regularly, typically every few months or if you notice drainage issues. Refer to the full instruction manual for specific location and cleaning steps.

5. Troubleshooting

Here are some common issues and their potential solutions. If the problem persists, contact customer support.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Unpleasant rubber smell during operation.	New machine odor, or friction from drum/seal.	Run several empty hot wash cycles. Ensure no foreign objects are trapped between the drum and seal. If persistent or accompanied by visible rubber residue, contact service.
Water leaking from the machine.	Loose hose connections, damaged hose, clogged filter, or detergent overdose.	Check water inlet and drain hose connections for tightness. Inspect hoses for damage. Clean the drain pump filter. Reduce detergent amount. If leaking persists, contact service.
Machine not starting.	Power supply issue, door not closed properly, or program not selected.	Check if the power cord is securely plugged in and the circuit breaker hasn't tripped. Ensure the door is firmly closed. Select a program and press the Start button.
Excessive vibration or noise.	Transport bolts not removed, machine not level, or uneven load.	Ensure all transport bolts are removed. Level the machine by adjusting its feet. Redistribute laundry evenly inside the drum.

6. Specifications

Detailed technical specifications for the Bauknecht WM Elite 8A washing machine:

Specification	Value
Manufacturer	Bauknecht
Model Number	869991645060
Product Dimensions (LxWxH)	60.5 x 59.5 x 85 cm
Weight	68.8 Kilograms
Capacity	8 Kilograms
Maximum Spin Speed	1400 Revolutions per Minute
Airborne Acoustical Noise Emissions	76 dB
Installation Type	Freestanding
Special Features	Active Care Color+

Specification	Value
Color	White
Control Type	Push Button
Number of Standard Programs	13
Door Opening	Front Loader
Voltage	230 Volt
Material	Metal
Country of Origin	Poland

7. Warranty and Support

Bauknecht offers a 10-year warranty on spare parts for this washing machine. Please register your product to activate the warranty and for future support needs. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase. For technical assistance, spare parts, or to schedule a service appointment, please contact Bauknecht customer service. You can find contact information on the official Bauknecht website or through your retailer. When contacting support, please have your model number (869991645060) and serial number ready. The serial number is typically located on a label inside the door frame or on the back of the appliance.

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