

**DDC4500T5WH**

# GE DDC4500T5WH Dryer Felt and Zip Tie Downs Kit Instruction Manual

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## 1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

This kit provides replacement felt and zip ties for the GE DDC4500T5WH dryer. The felt strip is designed to replace worn or damaged felt seals within the dryer drum assembly, which are crucial for efficient drying and preventing heat loss. The included zip ties assist in securing components during installation or for general utility.



**Image 1.1:** Components of the replacement kit, showing the coiled felt strip and two black zip ties.

## 1.1 Kit Contents

- One (1) Dryer Felt Strip: A gray, fibrous strip designed for sealing purposes.
- Two (2) Zip Ties: Black plastic fasteners for securing items.

## 2. COMPATIBILITY

This replacement kit is specifically designed for the **GE DDC4500T5WH** dryer model. Before proceeding with installation, it is critical to verify that your appliance model number matches the specified compatibility. Appliance parts can appear similar across different models, but may have subtle variations that affect fit and function.

Locate your dryer's model number, typically found on a label inside the dryer door, on the back panel, or near the control panel. Confirm it is DDC4500T5WH to ensure proper fit and operation of these replacement parts.

## 3. INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Replacing dryer felt requires disassembling parts of the dryer. It is recommended that this procedure be performed by individuals with experience in appliance repair. Always prioritize safety and consult your dryer's official service manual for detailed, model-specific instructions.

### 3.1 Safety Precautions

- **Disconnect Power:** Always unplug the dryer from the electrical outlet or turn off the circuit breaker before beginning any repair or maintenance.
- **Gas Supply (if applicable):** For gas dryers, turn off the gas supply valve.
- **Wear Protective Gear:** Use gloves to protect hands from sharp edges or debris.
- **Work in a Well-Lit Area:** Ensure adequate lighting to clearly see components.

### 3.2 General Installation Steps (Felt Strip)

These are general guidelines. Refer to your specific GE DDC4500T5WH dryer service manual for precise steps.

1. **Access the Drum:** Carefully disassemble the dryer cabinet to gain access to the dryer drum and the felt seals. This typically involves removing the top panel, front panel, and possibly the drum itself.
2. **Remove Old Felt:** Locate the worn felt strip(s) around the drum. Note how they are attached (e.g., adhesive, clips). Carefully remove the old felt, ensuring all old adhesive or debris is cleaned from the surface.
3. **Prepare Surface:** Clean the area where the new felt will be applied. Ensure it is dry and free of dust, lint, or old adhesive residue.
4. **Apply New Felt:** Apply a suitable high-temperature adhesive (not included in this kit, typically recommended by the dryer manufacturer) to the drum edge or bulkhead where the felt attaches. Carefully position and press the new felt strip into place, ensuring a snug and even fit. Allow adequate drying time for the adhesive as per its instructions.
5. **Reassemble Dryer:** Once the felt is securely in place, reassemble the dryer components in reverse order of disassembly. Ensure all wires, belts, and panels are correctly reattached and secured.

### 3.3 Using Zip Ties

The included zip ties can be used for various purposes during the repair process, such as bundling wires, securing loose components temporarily, or organizing cables. Ensure they do not interfere with moving

parts or heat sources within the dryer.

## 4. MAINTENANCE

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Regular maintenance of your dryer can extend its lifespan and prevent future issues. After replacing the felt, periodically inspect the dryer for signs of wear.

- **Inspect Felt:** Every 6-12 months, if accessible, visually inspect the felt seals for fraying, tears, or excessive wear.
- **Clean Lint Filter:** Clean the lint filter after every load to maintain airflow and efficiency.
- **Check Venting:** Ensure the dryer vent hose is clear of obstructions and properly connected.

## 5. TROUBLESHOOTING

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If you encounter issues after replacing the dryer felt, consider the following:

- **Excessive Noise:** Ensure the drum is properly seated and all panels are securely fastened. Check for any tools or debris left inside the dryer.
- **Poor Drying Performance:** Verify that the new felt is properly sealed and not allowing air leakage. Also, check the dryer vent for obstructions.
- **Burning Smell:** Immediately disconnect power. This could indicate a wiring issue, a foreign object, or improper installation. Do not operate the dryer until the cause is identified and resolved.

For persistent problems, consult a qualified appliance technician or the GE service manual for your DDC4500T5WH dryer.

## 6. SPECIFICATIONS

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<b>Manufacturer</b>	Fricparts
<b>Part Number (Kit)</b>	FRIC-PL-APP-TP-22052025-001298
<b>Compatible Dryer Model</b>	GE DDC4500T5WH
<b>Size</b>	One Size (Felt strip length and width are standard for the specified model)
<b>Color</b>	Felt: Gray, Zip Ties: Black
<b>Item Package Quantity</b>	1 kit
<b>Number Of Pieces</b>	1 felt strip, 2 zip ties
<b>ASIN</b>	B0F9KCN5PS

## 7. WARRANTY & SUPPORT

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### 7.1 Warranty Information

This product is covered by the manufacturer's standard warranty. For specific details regarding warranty coverage, duration, and claims process, please refer to the documentation provided with your purchase or contact Fricparts directly. Keep your proof of purchase for warranty purposes.

## 7.2 Customer Support

For technical assistance, questions about installation, or to report a defective part, please contact the manufacturer, Fricparts. Contact information can typically be found on the product packaging or their official website.