

LAT8626AAM

## Generic LAT8626AAM Maytag Washer Drive and Pump Belts Instruction Manual

### INTRODUCTION

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Welcome to the instruction manual for your Generic LAT8626AAM replacement drive and pump belts. This guide provides essential information for proper installation, maintenance, and troubleshooting to ensure optimal performance of your Maytag washer.

### PRODUCT OVERVIEW

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This product includes replacement belts designed for Maytag washing machines. It contains both the drive belt and the pump belt, which are crucial components for the washer's operational functions, facilitating agitation, spinning, and water drainage.



This image displays the two replacement belts included: one for the washer's pump mechanism and another for the drive system. Both belts are black rubber with text indicating their function.

## COMPATIBILITY

These replacement belts are specifically designed for Maytag washer models requiring part number **LAT8626AAM**.

**Important:** Before proceeding with installation, carefully verify that your Maytag washer model number matches the compatibility requirements for part number LAT8626AAM. Appliance parts can appear similar, so accurate model verification is essential to ensure correct fit and function.

## INSTALLATION (SETUP)

Replacing washer belts requires careful attention. If you are unsure about any step, it is recommended to consult a qualified appliance technician.

### Safety First:

- Always disconnect power to the washing machine by unplugging it from the electrical outlet before attempting any repairs or part replacements.

- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment, such as gloves, to prevent injury.

## General Installation Procedure:

1. **Access Components:** Carefully access the washer's internal components by removing the necessary panels. Refer to your specific Maytag washer's service manual or owner's manual for detailed instructions on panel removal.
2. **Locate Belts:** Identify the existing drive belt and pump belt. Note their routing around the motor, transmission, and pump pulleys.
3. **Remove Old Belts:** Carefully remove the old belts. This may involve releasing tensioning mechanisms or rolling the belts off the pulleys.
4. **Install New Belts:** Install the new drive belt and pump belt. Ensure they are correctly seated on their respective pulleys and follow the original routing path.
5. **Verify Tension:** Confirm proper tensioning of both belts. Belts should be snug but not overly tight, allowing for a small amount of deflection. Refer to your washer's service manual for specific tensioning guidelines.
6. **Reassemble:** Reattach all removed panels and secure them properly.
7. **Test Operation:** Reconnect power to the washer and perform a test cycle (e.g., a short wash or spin cycle) to confirm proper operation and ensure there are no unusual noises or vibrations.

## OPERATION

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Once correctly installed, the drive and pump belts operate automatically as integral parts of the washing machine's cycle. The drive belt transmits power from the motor to the transmission for agitation and spinning, while the pump belt drives the water pump for drainage. Ensure that the washer runs smoothly without unusual noises or excessive vibrations, which could indicate improper belt installation or tension.

## MAINTENANCE

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Regular inspection and maintenance can extend the life of your washer belts and prevent unexpected breakdowns.

- **Visual Inspection:** Periodically inspect the belts for signs of wear, such as cracking, fraying, glazing, or stretching. Replace belts if any significant damage is observed.
- **Cleanliness:** Ensure belts are free from grease, oil, detergent residue, or lint buildup, which can degrade the rubber material and cause slippage.
- **Tension Check:** Maintain proper belt tension as specified by your washer's manufacturer. Belts that are too loose can slip, causing inefficient operation, while belts that are too tight can put excessive strain on the motor and other components.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

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If your Maytag washer experiences issues related to its drive or pump functions, the belts may be a contributing factor. Here are common symptoms and potential belt-related causes:

- **Washer not agitating or spinning:** This often indicates an issue with the drive belt. Check if the drive belt is broken, loose, slipped off the pulleys, or severely worn.
- **Washer not draining or making unusual noises during drain cycle:** These symptoms can point to a problem with the pump belt. Inspect the pump belt for damage, breakage, or improper tension.
- **Squealing noises during operation:** A squealing sound often suggests a loose or worn belt that is slipping on the pulleys.
- **Burning rubber smell:** This is a strong indicator of a slipping belt, which can lead to rapid wear and potential damage to other components.

If issues persist after checking and addressing belt-related problems, it is advisable to consult a qualified appliance technician or refer to your washer's comprehensive service manual for further diagnosis.

## SPECIFICATIONS

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The following specifications apply to the Generic LAT8626AAM replacement belts:

- **Product Type:** Washer Drive and Pump Belts
- **Model Number:** LAT8626AAM
- **Part Number:** LAT8626AAM (Manufacturer's internal part number: FRIC-PL-APP-TP-22052025-033079)
- **Brand:** Generic (Manufactured by Fricparts)
- **Color:** Black
- **Quantity:** 1 set (includes one drive belt and one pump belt)
- **Size:** One Size (designed for specific Maytag models)

## WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

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Warranty information for this product is not provided in the available documentation. For details regarding warranty coverage, technical assistance, or any product-related inquiries, please contact the seller or manufacturer directly through your purchase platform.