

Washers & Dryers Keeping Them Safe



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Washing machines and tumble dryers contain powerful motors and moving parts which can get very hot and could set fire to excess fluff or lint that builds up over time.

Keep your appliances clean and service them regularly.

TOP TIPS **Clean Dryer filters after every use** - Condenser dryers - check the drawer at the top or base of the machine.

Every 6 months - vacuum heater areas or vent pipe connections.

Always follow the manufacturers use and maintenance instructions.

Don't overload your washer/ dryer.

Avoid leaving your washer or dryer unattended when it is in use.



Don't Ignore Warning Signs!

Tripping circuit breakers or burning smells could signal a serious issue - so switch the appliance off and call an engineer.

Likewise, if clothes feel hotter than usual after a cycle, or they are taking longer than normal to dry and you have checked the vents are clear, call an engineer to have the appliance checked over.

