

# Front-Load Washer Mold Prevention Checklist

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## Every load

### 1 Leave the door open

Crack the door and detergent drawer so the drum and seal dry out.

### 2 Wipe the gasket dry

Lift the folds and dry the rubber seal to clear trapped water and lint.

### 3 Move laundry to the dryer

Do not let wet clothes sit warm and damp inside the drum.

### 4 Use less HE detergent

Suds residue is mold food. Use high-efficiency soap and less of it.

## Weekly and monthly

### 1 Deep-clean the gasket

Fold the seal back and clear hair, coins, and lint from the channel.

### 2 Run a hot cleaning cycle

Empty drum, washer cleaner or white vinegar, hottest setting.

### 3 Clean the detergent drawer

Scrub off slime, rinse, and leave it out to dry.

### 4 Check the drain-pump filter

Clear lint and gunk behind the small front access panel.

### 5 Watch for the warning signs

A musty smell or a black ring in the seal means act now.

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