

Accident Prevention: Make 1993 A Safer Year In Your Home

Safety starts with accident prevention. Make 1993 a safe year by being aware of things that can happen; then take steps to make sure they don't. These are some safety precautions that the Whirlpool administrative center set forth:

- Store dishwasher detergents in a cool, dry place out of the reach of children.

- Use only detergents and rinse aids that are recommended for use in the automatic dishwasher. Others

may damage the dishwasher or cause it to flood the kitchen.

- Load sharp items in the dishwasher so that they are not likely to damage the door seal or cut the user.

- Never operate an automatic dishwasher that is not operating properly.

The automatic clothes washer can also be a hazard if not used properly.

- Always hand wash and air dry fabrics treated with flammable liq-

uids or dry cleaning fluids before putting them into a washer.

- Never pour chlorine into wash water which contains ammonia or acids such as vinegar or rust remover. Dangerous fumes can result from such a mixture.

- Never put your hands into a washer while it is agitating or spinning. Wait until it stops completely before adding an item or removing a load.

- Do not let young children

operate or play with a washer. If you allow children to operate appliances, teach them safety rules and supervise them.

- Never dry items containing wax or paint in an automatic dryer. The fumes can create a fire hazard.

- Never use flammable liquids (dry cleaning solvents, gasoline, kerosene) in or near a dryer.

- Always read and follow instructions, warnings and precautions on laundry and cleaning aids.



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- Always clean the lint screen before each dryer load. A build-up of lint may create a fire hazard.

- Always shut off a gas dryer's gas valve before leaving on vaca-

tion.

- Never dry heat-sensitive fabrics or materials such as plastics, foam, rubber, etc.) on a heat setting. Use an air dry setting.

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