Your washing machine

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Environmental protection/Conservation tips

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Dilute thick fabric softener and conditioner with water. This prevents blockages.

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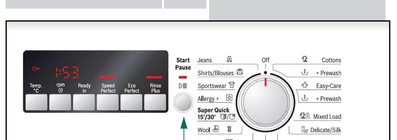

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Status indicators:		Programme status indicators:
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⊂⊃		Childproof lock ⟶ *page 5*

Washing

1

Detergent drawer with compartments I, II, ❄
Washing machine door
Control panel
Washing machine door handle
Service flap

Setting** and adjust-

**If the ⊂⊃ symbol flashes on the display panel, the childproof lock is active ⟶ Deactivating, *page 5*.

Function and option buttons ⟶ Individual settings, *page 5*.

Programme selector for switching the machine on and off and for selecting the programme. Can be turned in either direction.

Select Start/Pause ▷II

If the function buttons are held for longer, the appliance automatically runs through the display options.

2

Washing

3

Switching off

Turn the programme selector to **Off**.

Turning the tap off

Not required for Aqua-Stop models
⟶ *Installation instructions, page 7*.

Removing the laundry

Open the washing machine door and remove the laundry.
If - - - - (Rinse stop = no final spin) is active: Turn the programme selector to **Drain** or select a spin speed.
Press **Start**/Pause ▷II.

– Remove any foreign objects - risk of rusting.
– Leave the washing machine door and detergent drawer open so that any residual water can evaporate.

End of programme when...

... End appears on the display panel.

Interrupting the programme

Programmes at high temperatures:
– To cool the laundry: Select **Rinse**.
– Press **Start**/Pause ▷II.
Programmes at lower temperatures:
– Select **Spin** or **Drain** (if only emptying: set (spin speed) to - - - -).
– Press **Start**/Pause ▷II.

Changing the programme, if...

... a wrong programme has been selected by mistake:
– Reselect the programme.
– Press **Start**/Pause ▷II. The new programme starts from the beginning.

Pausing/continuing the programme...

... e.g. for Pause ⟶ *page 9*.
Press Start/**Pause** ▷II. - P- appears on the display panel; washing machine door cannot be opened. To continue the programme, press **Start**/Pause ▷II.

Individual settings

Function buttons

The spin speed and temperature can be changed before and during the selected programme. The effects depend on the programme progress.

Temp. °C

You can change the displayed washing temperature. The maximum washing temperature that can be selected depends on the programme that has been set.

rpm ⊛ (spin speed // - - - - (Rinse stop = no final spin))

You can change the spin speed shown or select - - - - (Rinse stop (Spülstop) = no final spin, laundry remains in the water after the last rinse, display panel - - - -). The maximum selectable spin speed depends on the model and on which programme is currently selected.

Ready in

When you select the programme, the relevant programme duration is displayed. You can delay the start of the programme before it begins. The "Finished in" time can be set in increments of one hour up to a maximum of 24 hours. Press the **Ready in** button repeatedly until the required number of hours is displayed (h = hour).
Press **Start**/Pause ▷II.

Option buttons ⟶ Programme overview, *page 7*

SpeedPerfect	For washing in a shorter time with a washing result comparable to that of the standard programme. Maximum load ⟶ Programme overview, *page 7*.
EcoPerfect	For saving energy with a comparable washing effect to the standard programme.
Rinse Plus	Additional rinse cycle. For areas with very soft water or for further enhancing the spin result.

Childproof lock

⊂⊃ on the display panel

You can lock the washing machine to prevent the functions you have set from being changed inadvertently.
ON/OFF: after the start/end of the programme, press and hold the Start/Pause button for approx. 5 seconds.
Note: The childproof lock can remain activated until you wish to start the next programme, even after switching off the machine.
Then you can deactivate the childproof lock before starting the programme and activate it again as necessary once the programme has started.

Start / Pause ▷II

To start, pause and continue the programme and to activate/deactivate the childproof lock.

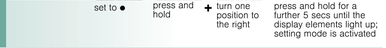
Individual settings

Signal

1. Activate the setting mode for the signal volume

To activate the setting mode

2. a) Set the volume for **button signals**(*depending on model*)



2. b) Set the volume for **information signals**

Information on the display panel *depending on model*

E: 17	Turn the (cold water) tap on fully; supply hose kinked/trapped; water pressure too low; service, clean the filter ⟶ *page 10*.
E: 18	Detergent solution pump blocked; service, clean the detergent solution pump ⟶ *page 10*. Drainage hose/waste pipe blocked; service, clean the drainage hose at the siphon ⟶ *page 10*.
E:23	Water in the base tub, appliance leaking. Turn off the tap. Call the after-sales service.
⊂⊃	Childproof lock active; Deactivating ⟶ *page 5*.
Other displays	Switch off the appliance, wait for 5 seconds and switch it back on again. If the display appears again, call the after-sales service.

Programme overview → *Refer to the table of consumption values on page 8 and the instructions on page 9.*

Programmes	°C	max.	Type of laundry	Options / information
Cottons + Prewash	cold - 90 °C	6 kg/ 3,5 kg*	Hard-wearing fabrics, heat-resistant fabrics made of cotton or linen	SpeedPerfect*, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect
Allergy+	cold - 60 °C			SpeedPerfect*, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect, for particularly sensitive fabrics, with an extra rinse, increased temperature, higher water level, additional rinse cycle
Easy-Care + Prewash	cold - 60 °C	3 kg	Easy-care fabrics made of cotton, linen, synthetic fibers or blended fabrics	SpeedPerfect, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect
Mixed Load	cold - 40 °C	2.5 kg	Fabrics made of cotton or easy-care fabrics	SpeedPerfect, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect; different types of laundry mixed, longer programme breaks (fabrics rest in the detergent solution)
Jeans	cold - 40 °C	3 kg	Dark-coloured fabrics made of cotton and dark-easy care fabrics	SpeedPerfect, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect; Reduced rinse and final spin cycle
Shirts/Blouses	cold - 60 °C	2 kg	Non-iron shirts made of cotton, linen, synthetic fibres or blended fabrics	SpeedPerfect, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect
Delicate/Silk	cold - 40 °C		Delicate washing fabrics, e.g. made of silk, satin, synthetic fibres or blended fabrics (e.g. curtains)	SpeedPerfect, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect
Wool	cold - 40 °C		Hand or machine-washable fabrics made of wool or containing wool	Particularly gentle wash programme to prevent shrink-age of wool fabrics, longer programme breaks (fabrics rest in the detergent solution)
Sportswear	cold - 40 °C	2 kg/ 3,5 kg	Easy-care fabrics made of cotton, linen, synthetic fibres or blended fabrics	SpeedPerfect, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect
Super Quick 15:30 min	cold - 40 °C			Short programme, suitable for lightly soiled items
Additional programmes				**Rinse** and **Spin**, **Drain**

***** Additional programme using the **SpeedPerfect** option.
1 Programmes without prewash: add detergent to compartment **II**, programmes with prewash: distribute the detergent between compartments **I** and **II** 4

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Safety instructions

- Read the instruction manual and installation instructions and all other information enclosed with the washing machine and act accordingly.
- Retain the documents for subsequent use.

Risk of electric shock
- Never pull the cable to disconnect the mains plug.
- Only plug in or disconnect the mains plug if your hands are dry.

Danger to life
For worn-out appliances:
- Disconnect the mains plug.
- Sever the mains cable and discard along with the plug.
- Destroy the lock on the washing machine door. This will prevent children from locking themselves in and risking their lives.

Danger of suffocation
- Keep packaging, film and packaging parts out of the reach of children.

Risk of poisoning
- Keep detergents and care products out of the reach of children.

Risk of explosion
- Items of laundry pretreated with cleaning agents containing solvents, e.g. stain remover/cleaning solvent may cause an explosion after being loaded into the washing machine. Rinse items of laundry thoroughly by hand beforehand.

Risk of injury
- The washing machine door can become very hot.
- Be careful when draining hot detergent solution.
- Do not climb onto the washing machine.
- Do not lean on the open washing machine door.
- Do not reach into the drum if it is still rotating.

Consumption values

Programme	Load	Electricity***	Water***	Programme duration***
Cottons 20 °C	6 kg	0,30 kWh	68 l	2 ¼ h
Cottons 40 °C*	6 kg	0,95 kWh	68 l	2 ¼ h
Cottons 60 °C	6 kg	1,60 kWh	68 l	2 ¼ h
Cottons 90 °C	6 kg	2,45 kWh	76 l	2 ¼ h
Easy-Care 40 °C*	3 kg	0,70 kWh	46 l	1 ¾ h
Mixed Load 30 °C	2.5 kg	0,40 kWh	44 l	1 h
Delicate/Silk 30 °C	2 kg	0,30 kWh	37 l	¾ h
Wool 30 °C	2 kg	0,20 kWh	43 l	¾ h

*Programme setting for testing in accordance with currently applicable EN60456 standard. Note on comparative tests: When testing the test programmes, wash the specified load using the maximum spin speed.

Programme	Additional function	Load	Annual energy consumption	Annual water consumption
Cottons 40/60 °C	EcoPerfect**	6/3 kg	153 kWh	10560 l

** Programme settings for testing and energy labelling in accordance with europian standard 60456 Ed.5 with cold water(15 °C).
*** The values may deviate from the specified values depending on water pressure, water hardness, and inlet temperature, ambient temperature, type, amount and level of laundry soiling, detergent used, fluctuations in the power supply and selection of options.

Important information

Before washing for the first time

Do not put any laundry in the machine. Turn the tap on. Pour into compartment **II**:
- approx. 1 litre water
- detergent (dosage according to the manufacturer's instructions for light soiling and the appropriate degree of water hardness)

Turn the programme selector to **Easy-care 60 °C** and press **Start**/Pause. At the end of the programme, turn the programme selector to **Off**.

Protecting the laundry and the machine

- When measuring the amount of all detergents/additives and cleaning agents, always check the manufacturer's instructions.
- Empty pockets.
- Look out for metal items (paperclips, etc.).
- Wash delicates in a laundry bag (tights, curtains, underwired bras).
- Fasten zips, do up any buttons.
- Brush sand out of pockets and collars.
- Remove curtain fittings or place in the laundry bag.

Loading laundry

Load items of laundry of varying sizes.
Take care not to trap items of laundry between the washing machine door and the rubber seal.

Laundry with varying degrees of soiling

Wash new items of clothing separately.

light	Do not prewash. If required, select the **SpeedPerfect** option.
	Pretreat any stains as necessary.
heavy	Do not load as much laundry. Select the programme with prewash.

Soaking — *Load laundry of the same colour*

Pour soaking agent/detergent into compartment **II** in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Turn the programme selector to **Cottons 30 °C** and press **Start**/Pause. After approx. 10 minutes, press **Start**/**Pause** to stop the programme. Once the required Pause time has elapsed, press **Start**/Pause again to continue the programme or to select a different programme.

Starching — *Laundry must not be treated with fabric softener*

Starching is possible in all wash programmes if liquid starch is used. Pour starch into the fabric softener compartment in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions (rinse first if necessary).

Dyeing/bleaching

Dye should only be used in normal household quantities. Salt may damage stainless steel. Always follow the dye manufacturer's instructions. Do **not** use the washing machine for bleaching clothes.

Insert for liquid detergent *depending on model*

Position the insert for dispensing liquid detergent:
- Remove the detergent drawer completely → *page 10.*
- Slide the insert forwards.

Do not use the insert (slide upwards):
- For gel-type detergents and washing powder,
- for programmes with Prewash (Vorwäsche) or the **Ready in** function.

Cleaning and care

Machine housing, control panel

- Remove detergent residue immediately.
- Wipe off with a soft, damp cloth.
- Do not clean with a jet of water.

Cleaning and care

- **Risk of electric shock.** *Disconnect the mains plug.*
- **Risk of explosion.** *No solvents.*

Cleaning the detergent drawer ...

... if it contains detergent or fabric softener residues.

1. Pull out, press insert down, remove drawer completely.
2. To remove the insert: press the insert upwards from below with your finger.
3. Clean the detergent dispenser tray and insert with water and a brush and dry it.
4. Attach the insert and engage (connect the cylinder to the guide pin).
5. Push in the detergent drawer.

Leave the detergent drawer open so that any residual water can evaporate.

Drum

Leave the washing machine door open so that the drum can dry out.
Rust stains - use chlorine-free cleaning agent, not steel wool.

Descaling — *Make sure that there is no laundry in the machine.*

This should not be necessary if the correct detergent dosage has been used. If it is necessary, however, proceed according to the descaling agent manufacturer's instructions. Suitable descalers can be obtained via our website or from our after-sales service (→ *page 1*).

Maintenance

Risk of scalding
- *Allow the detergent solution to cool down.*
- *Turn off the tap.*

Detergent solution pump

Turn the programme selector to **Off** and disconnect the mains plug.

6. Open the service flap
7. Carefully unscrew the pump cover (residual water).
8. Clean the interior, pump cover thread and pump housing (the impeller in the detergent solution pump must rotate).
9. Replace the pump cover and screw it on tightly.
10. Replace the service flap.

To prevent unused detergent from flowing straight into the drain during the next wash: Pour 1 litre of water into compartment **II** and start the **Drain** programme.

Drainage hose at the siphon is blocked

Turn the programme selector to **Off** and disconnect the mains plug.

1. Loosen the hose clamp and carefully remove the drainage hose (caution: residual water).
2. Clean the drainage hose and siphon connecting piece.
3. Reattach the drainage hose and secure the connection with the hose clamp.

Filter in the water inlet is blocked

Risk of electric shock
Do not immerse the Aqua-Stop safety device in water (it contains an electric valve).

Reduce the water pressure in the supply hose:

1. Turn off the tap.
2. Select any programme (except for **Spin** / **Drain**).
3. Press **Start**/Pause. Let the programme run for approximately 40 seconds.
4. Turn the programme selector to **Off**. Disconnect the mains plug.
   Clean the filter:
5. Disconnect the hose from the tap.
   Clean the filter with a small brush.

and/or on standard and Aqua-Secure models:
Remove the hose from the rear of the appliance,
Take out the filter with a pair of pliers and clean it.

6. Connect the hose and check for leaks.

What to do if...

Water is leaking out.	– Attach/replace the drainage hose correctly. – Tighten the screw connection of the supply hose.
No water supply. Detergent not dispensed.	– **Start**/Pause not selected? – Tap not turned on? – Filter blocked? Clean the filter → *page 11.* – Supply hose kinked or trapped?
Washing machine door cannot be opened.	– Safety function active. Programme stopped? → *page 4.* – - - - - (Rinse stop = no final spin) selected? → *page 3,4.*
Programme does not start.	– **Start**/Pause or **Ready in** time selected? – Washing machine door closed? – Childproof lock active? Deactivating → *page 5.*
Detergent solution is not drained.	– - - - - (Rinse stop = no final spin) selected? → *page 3, 4.* – Clean the detergent solution pump → *page 11.* – Clean the waste pipe and/or drainage hose.
Water not visible in the drum.	– Not a fault - water below the visible area.
Spin result not satisfactory. Laundry wet/too damp.	– Not a fault - the imbalance monitoring system has interrupted the spin because the laundry is unevenly distributed. Distribute large and small items of laundry evenly in the drum. – Speed selected too low? → *page 5.*
The programme duration changes during the wash cycle.	– Not a fault - the programme cycle is optimised for the particular washing process. This can cause changes in the programme duration on the display panel.
Spin cycle performed several times.	– Not a fault - unbalanced-load detection system is adjusting the imbalance.
Residual water in the compartment for care products.	– Not a fault - the action of the care product is not affected. – Clean the insert if necessary → *page 10.*
Odour formation in the washing machine.	– Run programme **Cottons 90 °C** without laundry. Use standard detergent.
Status display flashing. Appliance has detected a detergent overload.	– Too much detergent used? Mix one tablespoonful of fabric softener with ½ litre water and pour into compartment II *(Not for outdoor fabrics, sportswear fabrics or those made with down.)* – Reduce the detergent dosage for the next wash cycle.
Loud noises, vibrations and "wandering" during the spin cycle.	– Are the appliance feet fixed? Secure appliance feet → *Installation instructions.* – Transportation safety devices removed? Remove transportation safety devices → *Installation instructions.*
Display panel/indicator lamps do not function during operation.	– Power cut? – Circuit breakers tripped? Switch the circuit breakers back on or replace. – If the fault occurs repeatedly, call the after-sales service.
Programme sequence longer than usual.	– Not a fault - unbalanced-load detection system is adjusting the imbalance by repeatedly redistributing the laundry. – Not a fault - foam detection system active - adds an additional rinse cycle.
There are detergent residues on the laundry.	– Occasionally, phosphate-free detergents contain water-insoluble residues. – Select **Rinse** or brush down the laundry after washing.

If you cannot correct a fault yourself (switching on/off) or a repair is required:
- Turn the programme selector to **Off** and remove the mains plug from the socket.
- Turn off the water supply and call the after-sales service → *Installation instructions.*

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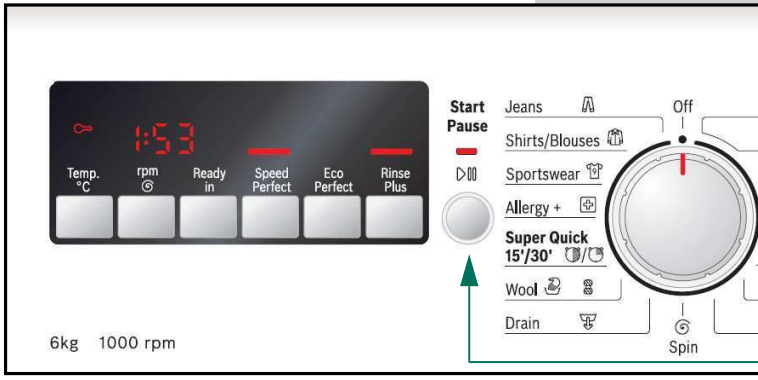

coLd - 90	Temp. °C	Select the temperature (coLd = cold)
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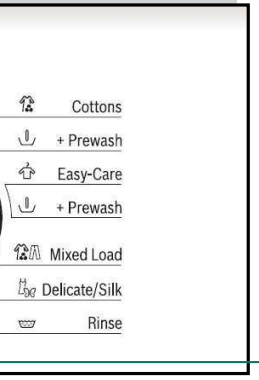
Pour liquid detergent into the appropriate dispenser and place in the drum.
During operation: Open the detergent drawer with care.

Dilute thick fabric softener and conditioner with water. This prevents blockages.

Setting** and adjust-

ne selector



**If the symbol flashes on the display panel, the childproof lock is active ⟶ Deactivating, *page 5*.

Function and option buttons ⟶ Individual settings, *page 5*.

Programme selector for switching the machine on and off and for selecting the programme. Can be turned in either direction.

Select Start/Pause ▷II

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or end

If the function buttons are held for longer, the appliance automatically runs through the display options.

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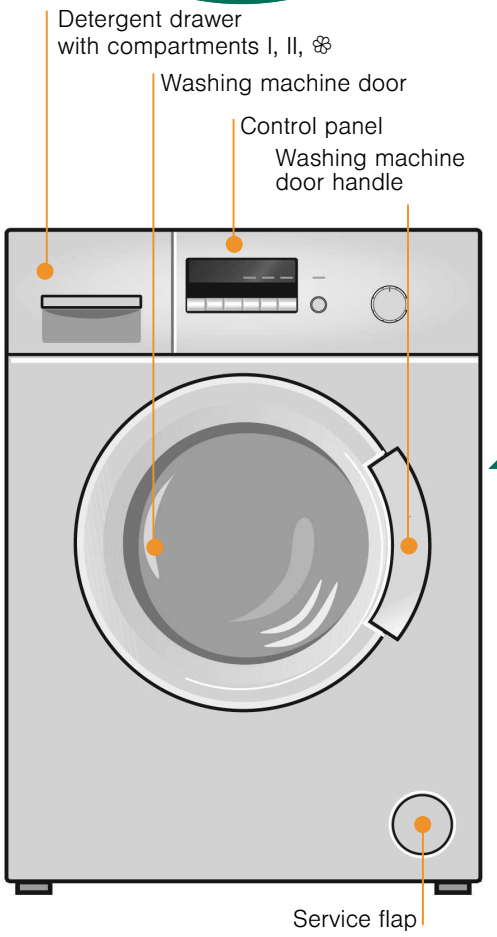

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Washing

Switching off

Turn the programme selector to **Off**.

Turning the tap off

Not required for Aqua-Stop models
⟶ *Installation instructions, page 7.*

Removing the laundry

Open the washing machine door and remove the laundry.
If - - - - (Rinse stop = no final spin) is active: Turn the programme selector to **Drain** or select a spin speed.
Press **Start**/Pause ▷II.

- Remove any foreign objects - risk of rusting.
- Leave the washing machine door and detergent drawer open so that any residual water can evaporate.

End of programme when...

... *End* appears on the display panel.

Interrupting the programme

Programmes at high temperatures:
- To cool the laundry: Select **Rinse**.
- Press **Start**/Pause ▷II.

Programmes at lower temperatures:
- Select **Spin** or **Drain** (if only emptying: set (spin speed) to - - - -).
- Press **Start**/Pause ▷II.

Changing the programme, if...

... a wrong programme has been selected by mistake:
- Reselect the programme.
- Press **Start**/Pause ▷II. The new programme starts from the beginning.

Pausing/continuing the programme...

... e.g. for Pause ⟶ *page 9.*
Press Start/**Pause** ▷II. - *P*- appears on the display panel; washing machine door cannot be opened. To continue the programme, press **Start**/Pause ▷II.

Individual settings

Function buttons

The spin speed and temperature can be changed before and during the selected programme. The effects depend on the programme progress.

Temp. °C

You can change the displayed washing temperature. The maximum washing temperature that can be selected depends on the programme that has been set.

rpm (spin speed // - - - - (Rinse stop = no final spin))

You can change the spin speed shown or select - - - - (Rinse stop (Spülstop) = no final spin, laundry remains in the water after the last rinse, display panel - - - -). The maximum selectable spin speed depends on the model and on which programme is currently selected.

Ready in

When you select the programme, the relevant programme duration is displayed. You can delay the start of the programme before it begins. The "Finished in" time can be set in increments of one hour up to a maximum of 24 hours. Press the **Ready in** button repeatedly until the required number of hours is displayed (h = hour).
Press **Start**/Pause ▷II.

Option buttons → Programme overview, *page 7*

SpeedPerfect	For washing in a shorter time with a washing result comparable to that of the standard programme. Maximum load → Programme overview, *page 7.*
EcoPerfect	For saving energy with a comparable washing effect to the standard programme.
Rinse Plus	Additional rinse cycle. For areas with very soft water or for further enhancing the spin result.

Childproof lock

on the display panel	You can lock the washing machine to prevent the functions you have set from being changed inadvertently. **ON/OFF**: after the start/end of the programme, press and hold the Start/Pause button for approx. 5 seconds. Note: The childproof lock can remain activated until you wish to start the next programme, even after switching off the machine. Then you can deactivate the childproof lock before starting the programme and activate it again as necessary once the programme has started.

Start / Pause ▷II

To start, pause and continue the programme and to activate/deactivate the childproof lock.

Individual settings

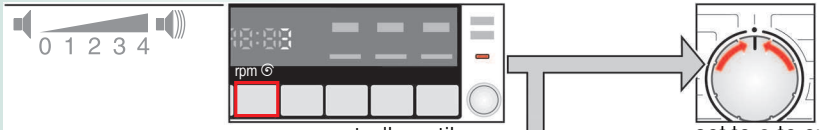
Signal

1. Activate the setting mode for the signal volume

To activate the setting mode

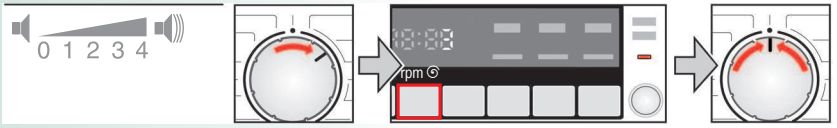
set to ● | press and hold | + | turn one position to the right | press and hold for a further 5 secs until the display elements light up; setting mode is activated

2. a) Set the volume for **button signals(*depending on model)***



press repeatedly until the desired volume is reached | **or** | set to ● to exit the setting mode for the signal volume

2. b) Set the volume for **information signals**



turn one position to the right | press repeatedly until the desired volume is reached | set to ● to exit the setting mode for the signal volume

Information on the display panel *depending on model*

E: 17	Turn the (cold water) tap on fully; supply hose kinked/trapped; water pressure too low; service, clean the filter → *page 10*,
E: 18	Detergent solution pump blocked; service, clean the detergent solution pump → *page 10*. Drainage hose/waste pipe blocked; service, clean the drainage hose at the siphon → *page 10*.
E:23	Water in the base tub, appliance leaking. Turn off the tap. Call the after-sales service.
	Childproof lock active; Deactivating → *page 5*.
Other displays	Switch off the appliance, wait for 5 seconds and switch it back on again. If the display appears again, call the after-sales service.

Programme overview → *Refer to the table of consumption values on page 8 and the instructions on page 9.*

Programmes	°C	max.	Type of laundry	Options; information
Cottons	cold - 90 °C	6 kg/ 3,5 kg*	Hard-wearing fabrics, heat-resistant fabrics made of cotton or linen	SpeedPerfect*, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect
+ Prewash				
Allergy+	cold - 60 °C			SpeedPerfect*, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect; for particularly sensitive skin, longer wash cycle at selected temperature, higher water level, additional rinse cycle
Easy-Care	cold - 60 °C	3 kg	Easy-care fabrics made of cotton, linen, synthetic fibers or blended fabrics	SpeedPerfect, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect
+ Prewash				
Mixed Load	cold - 40 °C	2.5 kg	Fabrics made of cotton or easy-care fabrics	SpeedPerfect, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect; different types of laundry can be washed together
Jeans	cold - 40 °C	3 kg	Dark-coloured fabrics made of cotton and dark easy-care fabrics	SpeedPerfect, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect; Reduced rinse and final spin cycle
Shirts/Blouses	cold - 60 °C	2 kg	Non-iron shirts made of cotton, linen, synthetic fibres or blended fabrics	SpeedPerfect, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect
Delicate/Silk	cold - 40 °C		For delicate, washable fabrics, e.g. made of silk, satin, synthetic fibres or blended fabrics (e.g. curtains)	SpeedPerfect, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect
Wool	cold - 40 °C		Hand or machine-washable fabrics made of wool or containing wool	Particularly gentle wash programme to prevent shrinkage of laundry. Longer programme breaks (fabrics rest in the detergent solution)
Sportswear	cold - 40 °C		Fabrics made from microfibre	SpeedPerfect, Rinse Plus, EcoPerfect
Super Quick 15/30 min	cold - 40 °C	2 kg/ 3.5 kg	Easy-care fabrics made of cotton, linen, synthetic fibres or blended fabrics	Short programme, suitable for lightly soiled items
Additional programmes				**Rinse, Spin, Drain**

* reduced load when using the **SpeedPerfect** option.

i Programmes without prewash - add detergent to compartment **II**, programmes with prewash - distribute the detergent between compartments **I** and **II** 4

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Safety instructions

- Read the instruction manual and installation instructions and all other information enclosed with the washing machine and act accordingly.
- Retain the documents for subsequent use.

Risk of electric shock
- Never pull the cable to disconnect the mains plug.
- Only plug in or disconnect the mains plug if your hands are dry.

Danger to life

For worn-out appliances:
- Disconnect the mains plug.
- Sever the mains cable and discard along with the plug.
- Destroy the lock on the washing machine door. This will prevent children from locking themselves in and risking their lives.

Danger of suffocation
- Keep packaging, film and packaging parts out of the reach of children.

Risk of poisoning
- Keep detergents and care products out of the reach of children.

Risk of explosion
- Items of laundry pretreated with cleaning agents containing solvents, e.g. stain remover/cleaning solvent may cause an explosion after being loaded into the washing machine. Rinse items of laundry thoroughly by hand beforehand.

Risk of injury
- The washing machine door can become very hot.
- Be careful when draining hot detergent solution.
- Do not climb onto the washing machine.
- Do not lean on the open washing machine door.
- Do not reach into the drum if it is still rotating.

Consumption values

Programme	Load	Electricity***	Water***	Programme duration***
Cottons 20 °C	6 kg	0,30 kWh	68 l	2 ¼ h
Cottons 40 °C*	6 kg	0,95 kWh	68 l	2 ¼ h
Cottons 60 °C	6 kg	1,60 kWh	68 l	2 ¼ h
Cottons 90 °C	6 kg	2,45 kWh	76 l	2 ¼ h
Easy-Care 40 °C*	3 kg	0,70 kWh	46 l	1 ¾ h
Mixed Load 30 °C	2.5 kg	0,40 kWh	44 l	1 h
Delicate/Silk 30 °C	2 kg	0,30 kWh	37 l	¾ h
Wool 30 °C	2 kg	0,20 kWh	43 l	¾ h

*Programme setting for testing in accordance with currently applicable EN60456 standard.
Note on comparative tests: When testing the test programmes, wash the specified load using the maximum spin speed.

Programme	Additional function	Load	Annual energy consumption	Annual water consumption
Cottons 40/60 °C	EcoPerfect**	6/3 kg	153 kWh	10560 l

** Programme settings for testing and energy labelling in accordance with europian standard 60456 Ed.5 with cold water(15 °C).

*** The values may deviate from the specified values depending on water pressure, water hardness, and inlet temperature, ambient temperature, type, amount and level of laundry soiling, detergent used, fluctuations in the power supply and selection of options.

Important information

Before washing for the first time

Do not put any laundry in the machine. Turn the tap on. Pour into compartment **II**:
- approx. 1 litre water
- detergent (dosage according to the manufacturer's instructions for light soiling and the appropriate degree of water hardness)

Turn the programme selector to **Easy-care 60 °C** and press **Start**/Pause. At the end of the programme, turn the programme selector to **Off.**

Protecting the laundry and the machine

- When measuring the amount of all detergents/additives and cleaning agents, always check the manufacturer's instructions.
- Empty pockets.
- Look out for metal items (paperclips, etc.).
- Wash delicates in a laundry bag (tights, curtains, underwired bras).
- Fasten zips, do up any buttons.
- Brush sand out of pockets and collars.
- Remove curtain fittings or place in the laundry bag.

Loading laundry

Load items of laundry of varying sizes.
Take care not to trap items of laundry between the washing machine door and the rubber seal.

Laundry with varying degrees of soiling

	Wash new items of clothing separately.
light	Do not prewash. If required, select the **SpeedPerfect** option.
	Pretreat any stains as necessary.
heavy	Do not load as much laundry. Select the programme with prewash.

Soaking *Load laundry of the same colour*

Pour soaking agent/detergent into compartment **II** in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Turn the programme selector to **Cottons 30 °C** and press **Start**/Pause. After approx. 10 minutes, press Start/**Pause** to stop the programme. Once the required Pause time has elapsed, press **Start**/Pause again to continue the programme or to select a different programme.

Starching *Laundry must not be treated with fabric softener*

Starching is possible in all wash programmes if liquid starch is used. Pour starch into the fabric softener compartment in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions (rinse first if necessary).

Dyeing/bleaching

Dye should only be used in normal household quantities. Salt may damage stainless steel. Always follow the dye manufacturer's instructions. Do **not** use the washing machine for bleaching clothes.

Insert for liquid detergent *depending on model*

Position the insert for dispensing liquid detergent:
- Remove the detergent drawer completely → *page 10*.
- Slide the insert forwards.

Do not use the insert (slide upwards):
- For gel-type detergents and washing powder,
- for programmes with Prewash (Vorwäsche) or the **Ready in** function.

Cleaning and care

Machine housing, control panel

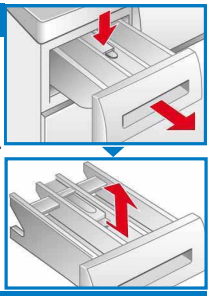
- Remove detergent residue immediately.
- Wipe off with a soft, damp cloth.
- Do not clean with a jet of water.

Cleaning and care

- **Risk of electric shock.** *Disconnect the mains plug.*
- **Risk of explosion.** *No solvents.*

Cleaning the detergent drawer ...

... if it contains detergent or fabric softener residues.



1. Pull out, press insert down, remove drawer completely.
2. To remove the insert: press the insert upwards from below with your finger.
3. Clean the detergent dispenser tray and insert with water and a brush and dry it.
4. Attach the insert and engage (connect the cylinder to the guide pin).
5. Push in the detergent drawer.

Leave the detergent drawer open so that any residual water can evaporate.

Drum

Leave the washing machine door open so that the drum can dry out.
Rust stains - use chlorine-free cleaning agent, not steel wool.

Descaling *Make sure that there is no laundry in the machine.*

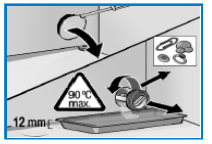
This should not be necessary if the correct detergent dosage has been used. If it is necessary, however, proceed according to the descaling agent manufacturer's instructions. Suitable descalers can be obtained via our website or from our after-sales service (→ *page 1*).

Maintenance

Risk of scalding
- *Allow the detergent solution to cool down.*
- *Turn off the tap.*

Detergent solution pump

Turn the programme selector to **Off** and disconnect the mains plug.

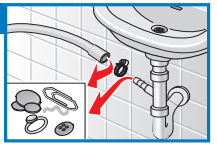


6. Open the service flap
7. Carefully unscrew the pump cover (residual water).
8. Clean the interior, pump cover thread and pump housing (the impeller in the detergent solution pump must rotate).
9. Replace the pump cover and screw it on tightly.
10. Replace the service flap.

To prevent unused detergent from flowing straight into the drain during the next wash: Pour 1 litre of water into compartment **II** and start the **Drain** programme.

Drainage hose at the siphon is blocked

Turn the programme selector to **Off** and disconnect the mains plug.



1. Loosen the hose clamp and carefully remove the drainage hose (caution: residual water).
2. Clean the drainage hose and siphon connecting piece.
3. Reattach the drainage hose and secure the connection with the hose clamp.

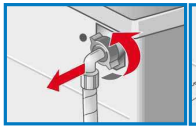
Filter in the water inlet is blocked

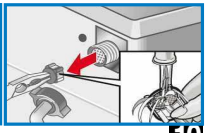
Risk of electric shock
Do not immerse the Aqua-Stop safety device in water (it contains an electric valve).

Reduce the water pressure in the supply hose:

1. Turn off the tap.
2. Select any programme (except for **Spin** / **Drain**).
3. Press **Start**/Pause. Let the programme run for approximately 40 seconds.
4. Turn the programme selector to **Off**. Disconnect the mains plug.
   Clean the filter:
5. Disconnect the hose from the tap.
   Clean the filter with a small brush.

and/or on standard and Aqua-Secure models:
Remove the hose from the rear of the appliance,
Take out the filter with a pair of pliers and clean it.





6. Connect the hose and check for leaks.

What to do if...

Water is leaking out.	– Attach/replace the drainage hose correctly. – Tighten the screw connection of the supply hose.
No water supply. Detergent not dispensed.	– **Start**/Pause ▷II not selected? – Tap not turned on? – Filter blocked? Clean the filter ⟶ *page 11.* – Supply hose kinked or trapped?
Washing machine door cannot be opened.	– Safety function active. Programme stopped? ⟶ *page 4.* – - - - - (Rinse stop = no final spin) selected? ⟶ *page 3,4.*
Programme does not start.	– **Start**/Pause ▷II or **Ready in** time selected? – Washing machine door closed? – Childproof lock active? Deactivating ⟶ *page 5.*
Detergent solution is not drained.	– - - - - (Rinse stop = no final spin) selected? ⟶ *page 3, 4.* – Clean the detergent solution pump ⟶ *page 11.* – Clean the waste pipe and/or drainage hose.
Water not visible in the drum.	– Not a fault - water below the visible area.
Spin result not satisfactory. Laundry wet/too damp.	– Not a fault - the imbalance monitoring system has interrupted the spin because the laundry is unevenly distributed. Distribute large and small items of laundry evenly in the drum. – Speed selected too low? ⟶ *page 5.*
The programme duration changes during the wash cycle.	– Not a fault - the programme cycle is optimised for the particular washing process. This can cause changes in the programme duration on the display panel.
Spin cycle performed several times.	– Not a fault - unbalanced-load detection system is adjusting the imbalance.
Residual water in the ❀ compartment for care products.	– Not a fault - the action of the care product is not affected. – Clean the insert if necessary ⟶ *page 10.*
Odour formation in the washing machine.	– Run programme **Cottons 90 °C** without laundry. Use standard detergent.
Status display flashing. Appliance has detected a detergent overload.	– Too much detergent used? Mix one tablespoonful of fabric softener with ½ litre water and pour into compartment II *(Not for outdoor fabrics, sportswear fabrics or those made with down.)* – Reduce the detergent dosage for the next wash cycle.
Loud noises, vibrations and "wandering" during the spin cycle.	– Are the appliance feet fixed? Secure appliance feet ⟶ *Installation instructions.* – Transportation safety devices removed? Remove transportation safety devices ⟶ *Installation instructions.*
Display panel/indicator lamps do not function during operation.	– Power cut? – Circuit breakers tripped? Switch the circuit breakers back on or replace. – If the fault occurs repeatedly, call the after-sales service.
Programme sequence longer than usual.	– Not a fault - unbalanced-load detection system is adjusting the imbalance by repeatedly redistributing the laundry. – Not a fault - foam detection system active - adds an additional rinse cycle.
There are detergent residues on the laundry.	– Occasionally, phosphate-free detergents contain water-insoluble residues. – Select **Rinse** or brush down the laundry after washing.

If you cannot correct a fault yourself (switching on/off) or a repair is required:

– Turn the programme selector to **Off** and remove the mains plug from the socket.
– Turn off the water supply and call the after-sales service ⟶ *Installation instructions.*

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