

# 5 EASY STEPS TO CLEAN CLOTHES

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## SEPARATE COLORS

Separate light colors from bright or dark colors.

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## SELECT A TEMPERATURE SETTING

Whites, cotton clothing, sheets and towels can be washed in hot water. knits or dark colors require cold water.

Light colors can use cold or warm water.

When in doubt use cold water.

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## ADD DETERGENT

The laundry detergent package will provide you with a recommendation for the amount of soap to use. Most machines also have a guide. Front-load washers, like in your laundry room, work best with HE detergent and require less detergent – so be careful not to over soap.

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## LOAD CLOTHES

Clothes should be loaded in the washer loosely. Your clothes will get cleanest if the washer is less than  $\frac{3}{4}$  full.

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## START THE WASHER

Close the door and start the machine.

## LAUNDRY LESSONS

- Be sure to read labels. You may be surprised to find that many items have special washing instructions.
- While you're sorting laundry check clothing for stains and pockets or pant cuffs for any items you've forgotten.
- To avoid snagging, check and secure zippers, buttons, snaps and buckles. Also, unroll cuffs on shirts or pants, and tie drawstrings.
- Avoid putting lint attractors (like permanent press and corduroy) with lint producers (terry cloth and other cottons).