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## Washers and Dryers

Choosing a new washer and dryer can seem a little confusing. You can easily narrow down your options by considering the questions below. Feel free to print out this document and use it for reference as you shop.



# Shopping for Washers and Dryers: Questions to Ask Yourself

1. Which would be more convenient for me, a washer that loads on the front or the top?
2. Which will work in my house, a dryer that runs on gas or electricity?
3. How much room do I have for a new set of washers and dryers? If they will be located in the same place, how big is my current set? Am I thinking about placing the new ones in a different place?
4. Am I planning on placing my new washer and dryer in a very tight spot like a closet? If the area is small, do I want a set that stacks on top of one another?
5. Will people be able to see my new washer and dryer when they visit my home? Do I want to choose a set of a certain color so they will match the décor of the room?
6. Will I need to use them as a work surface?
7. Would I prefer something that will keep me from having to lean down when I need to wash and dry clothes? Would platforms for my washer and dryer be something I want?
8. Do I want to consider the environment when I choose by picking a washer and dryer that conserves water or energy?
9. Am I more interested in washing large loads of clothes at once with commercial capacity machines, or do I prefer ones designed for numerous small loads of laundry?
10. Is noise a concern? Do I need to look for noise reduced machines in consideration of my neighbors or people in my home who may be sleeping?
11. Are allergies a concern? Should I look for a washing machine that includes a sanitizing option?
12. Will I need a lot of customization options with my washer to handle various types of clothing, fabrics, and stains? Will I be looking for numerous temperature options, wash cycles, and water levels?