

Dryer symbols and signs

Tumble dry/Do not dry.

Wondering whether you can put your clothes into the dryer but not sure which symbol means "dryer-safe"? Here's an overview of the symbols that indicate whether your garments are suitable for tumble drying:

Tumble dry normal The square with a circle inside is the general symbol for tumble drying. If you see it on a laundry label, your item can be tumble-dried, and it's safe to put it in the dryer. Do not dry If a laundry item should not be tumble-dried, you will see the same square with a circle, but it will be crossed out. Do not put items with this symbol in the dryer. Low-temperature and gentle drying. Tumble dry - no heat A black circle inside the square indicates that garments should only be dried gently with cold air. Tumble dry - Permanent press Labels that show a line below the dryer symbol, should be dried with a gentle cycle (for example synthetic). Tumble dry - Gentle Delicate textiles that show two lines below the dryer symbol need extra-gentle drying and a special dryer programme (like a wool programme) for proper care. Cold/low heat A dryer symbol with a dot inside the circle means that you should only dry your item at low temperatures up to 60°C. Warm/medium heat Two dots inside the circle indicate that you can dry your garment at regular temperatures of up to 80°C. Hot/high heat The dryer symbol with three dots in a circle indicates that you can and should dry your item at the highest temperature. Air drying. Air dry The drying symbol in the form of an empty square stands for air drying. You should hang these laundry items on a clothesline, or lay them out to dry on a flat surface. Dry in shade The drying symbol with two diagonal lines in the left corner means that your fabric that cannot withstand direct sunlight. To protect your item from bleaching or fading, make sure to dry it in

Line dry/Drip dry

the shade.

The line drying symbol consisting of one vertical line in the middle means that laundry should be hung out to dry on a clothesline (or similar device). Two vertical lines mean that you should drip-dry your laundry, or, in other words, hang it on the line when it is still dripping wet.

Line dry in shade/Drip dry in shade

The drying symbol with a vertical line and a triangle at the top left means that your laundry should be line-dried (on a clothesline) in the shade. Two vertical lines mean that your item should drip-dry on a clothesline and in the shade.



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Dry flat

This drying symbol with a horizontal line in the middle indicates that laundry should be laid out flat to dry. Two horizontal lines mean that you should lay out the laundry smoothly when it is still dripping wet.

Dry flat in shade

The same drying symbol with a horizontal line (and triangle in the top left corner) means that laundry should dry on a flat surface in the shade. Two horizontal lines indicate that the laundry should be laid out in the shade when it is dripping wet.

Like a pro: freshen up laundry in the dryer.

Not every clothing item needs to be thoroughly washed and dried after every use. Your tumble dryer can help you freshen up quickly. Just put your items in a laundry bag and put it in the dryer for 15 minutes. If you like, add a damp, pleasant-smelling tea towel for extra freshness. After 15 minutes, remove your clothing, shape it and let it air out on a hanger.

Note: Only follow these tips if your clothing is suitable for tumble drying. Never treat laundry with stain removers or other inflammable agents before the drying cycle.

Like a pro: resize shrunken jumpers.

A tried-and-tested way to get your favourite jumper back into shape is through some gentle stretching:

- First, soak your jumper in warm water. Mix some shampoo into the water so that the fibres can expand easily.
- Place the wet jumper on a towel and wrap it gently to remove excess water.
- Now, lay the sweater on the towel and start stretching it by pulling it into shape. Continue repeating this process while the sweater dries.