

1. Run a cycle

Newer models have a dedicated washer cleaning cycle and all you need to do is add bleach. If yours doesn't, add 120ml of bleach to the dispenser or fill the dispenser to the max line and run a normal cycle with hot water. You can use a specialty cleaner instead of bleach (e.g. Affresh, Tide Washing Machine Cleaner). Bleach will kill bacteria and mould, but it may not dissolve other things like detergent.

2. Set an extra rinse and spin

Once the cleaning cycle is done, run another rinse and spin just to make sure any traces of bleach are completely washed away.

3. Clean the dispenser drawer

Most newer machines have removable dispensers. Pop them out, take them apart and rinse them well under hot water. Use an old soft toothbrush to dislodge any stuck-on dirt. Wipe dry, reassemble, and reinsert them into the machine.



4. Wipe and dry the rubber seal and drum

Wipe the rubber gasket clean and dry thoroughly to prevent mold. Wipe any moisture from the drum and door or lid, too, or leave it open to air dry.

