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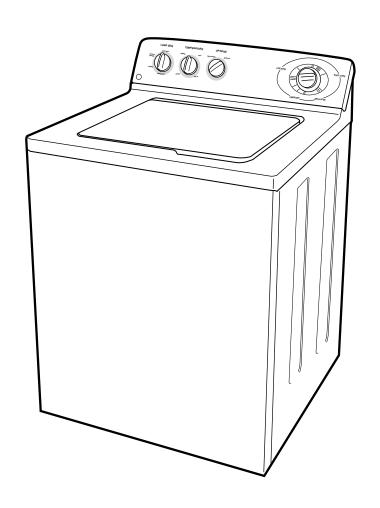
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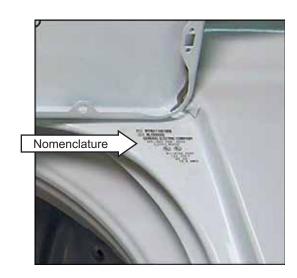
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# Nomenclature



The nomenclature tag is located under the lid in the right rear corner.

The mini-manual is located inside the control panel.

#### **Serial Number**

The first two characters of the serial number identify the month and year of manufacture. Example: AL123456S = January, 2006

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#### **Motor and Drive System**

The new GE washers incorporate a new motor and drive system. The 120 VAC input powers a three phase induction inverter/motor assembly. The inverter produces approximately 340 VDC, which is pulse width modulated (PWM) to control motor speed. There is no location to check inverter output voltage to the motor. Voltage given is for information only. The motor is bidirectional, constantly reversing it's direction to provide agitation. The motor is connected by a belt to the shaft and mode shifter assembly. By energizing or deenergizing a coil, the mode shifter assembly engages or disengages the shaft and tube. This allows for agitation and spin cycle modes.

Motor status is displayed through a series of flash codes from a green LED located on the front side of the inverter just above the motor. These codes are stored in memory until cleared.



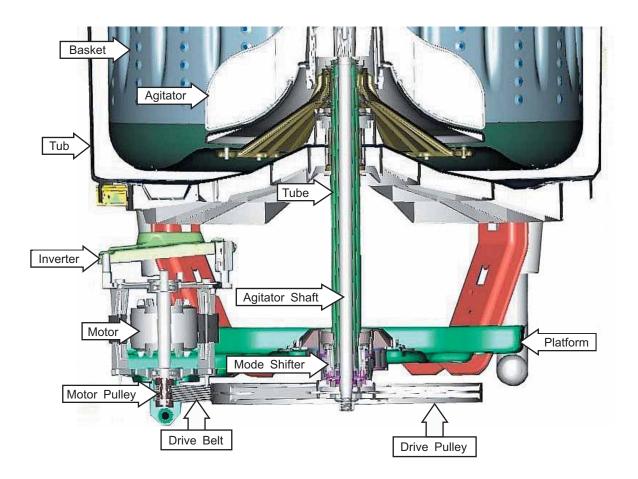
Inverter/Motor

#### Shaft and Mode Shifter Overview

The shaft and mode shifter assembly consists of the shaft and tube, mode shifter cam, and mode shifter coil. It operates in 2 distinct modes, spin and agitation.

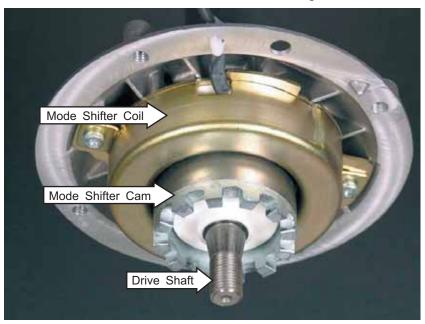
The shaft and tube transfers power to the wash system. Motor power is transmitted to the shaft and tube from the drive belt to the drive pulley. The drive pulley is attached to one end of the agitator shaft and the agitator is attached to the other. The tube is fixed to the washer basket at all times.

The mode shifter changes the shaft and tube from spin to agitation. In agitation mode, the tube is fixed to the platform and the agitator shaft rotates freely. In spin mode, the agitator shaft is fixed to the tube and both rotate together.

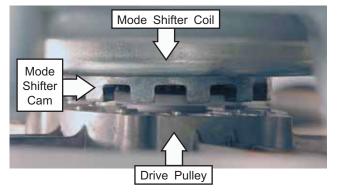


View from Right Side

Shaft and Mode Shifter Assembly

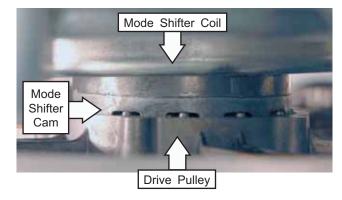


Agitate Position



Note: Mode shifter coil energized for agitate mode; cam teeth disengaged from drive pulley.

Spin/Idle Position



Note: Mode shifter coil de-energized for spin/idle mode; cam teeth engaged in drive pulley.

#### **Mode Shifter Operation - Agitation**

The mode shifter is controlled by the motor inverter circuit. When the washer starts the agitation cycle, the inverter energizes the mode shifter coil. The magnetic field of the coil lifts the mode shifter cam, disengaging it from the drive pulley. Without the cam engaged, the drive pulley rotates only the agitator shaft.



At the beginning of the agitation cycle, the inverter energizes the mode shifter coil with 135 VDC (PWM) for approximately 18 seconds. This high voltage pulls the mode shifter cam up from the drive pulley. During this time, the motor also rotates clockwise and counterclockwise in short strokes to ensure the mode shifter cam has been released from the drive pulley. This operation is called the **Mode Shifter Agitate Program**. It is normal to hear metal-to-metal "clunking" sounds during this time as the cam and drive pulley disengage. The washer runs this program when the agitation cycle first starts, when power is restored if lost during agitation or when the user restarts the washer if paused.

Once the Mode Shifter Agitate Program has completed (18 seconds), agitation begins. During agitation, the inverter continues to supply 30 VDC (PWM) to the mode shifter coil. This voltage is sufficient to hold the mode shifter cam away from the drive pulley throughout the remainder of the agitation cycle.

The inverter motor controls the speed of agitation. The agitator stroke rate is approximately 30 strokes per minute. This rate is the same for all cycles. The speed of the motor controls the arc. At fast speed, the arc is approximately 360 degrees. At slower speeds, the arc is substantially less. It is the distance of the arc that determines normal or gentle wash cycles.

#### Mode Shifter Operation - Spin



At the beginning of the spin cycle, the inverter runs a short sequence (approximately 30 seconds) to make certain the mode shifter cam is engaged with the drive pulley. The inverter does not supply voltage to the mode shifter coil during this sequence. Since the coil is not energized, the spring loaded cam drops down into the teeth of the drive pulley. During this time, the motor also rotates clockwise and counterclockwise in short strokes to ensure the cam has engaged with the drive pulley. This 30 second operation is called the **Mode Shifter Spin Program**. It is normal to hear metal-to-metal "clunking" sounds during this time as the cam and drive pulley engage.

#### Notes:

If the washer is paused while in agitation, it is NORMAL to hear sounds for an additional 30 seconds as the inverter control runs the Mode Shifter Spin Program to de-energize the coil and enter a pause state.

If the washer is in agitation and power is lost, the inverter control will run the Mode Shifter Agitate Program when power is restored.

If the washer is in spin and power is lost, the inverter control will run the Mode Shifter Spin Program when power is restored.

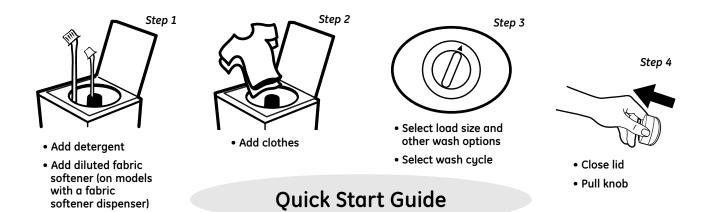
To help prevent out-of-balance conditions, the last 10 seconds of agitation on certain cycles will be short, fast strokes to help redistribute the clothes load prior to entering the spin cycle.

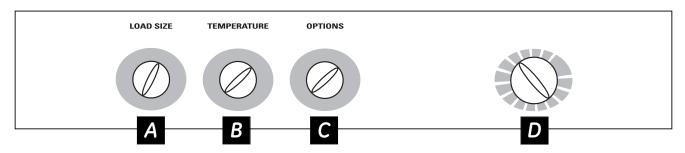
Control Logic Flowchart

# **Control Features**

Features and appearance may vary between models.

#### **GE Models**





## Controls

A Load Size

Loosely load clothes no higher than the top row of holes in the washer basket. The water level should just cover the clothes. Adjust the load size accordingly.

Temperature
Select the water temperature for the wash and rinse cycles. Always follow fabric manufacturer's care label or

instructions when laundering.

Options

2nd Rinse Option

When you use extra detergent or bleach to clean heavily soiled clothes, you may want to use the 2nd Rinse option. It provides a second deep cold rinse.



## ■ Wash Cycle—Cycle Selector Knob

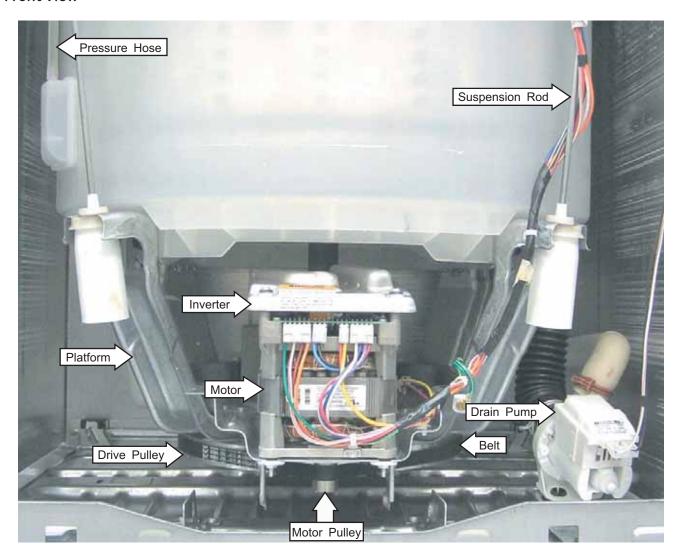
The chart below will help you match the wash cycle setting with your clothing. The chart is ranked from longest to shortest cycle time and wash intensity.

Your washer may not have all these cycles. (Cycles vary by model.)

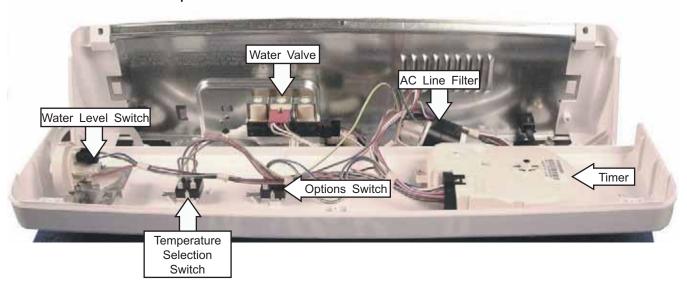
	PREWASH	ASH For removing surface dirt from heavily soiled clothes. Make sure to follow with a regular wash cycle.		
	COTTONS or WHITES	TONS For heavy to lightly soiled cottons, household linens, work and play clothes.  HITES		
	EASY CARE	RE For wrinkle-free and permanent press items, and knits.		
	DELICATES	ICATES For lingerie and special-care fabrics with light to normal soil.		
_	SPIN	For draining the tub and spinning water out of the clothes.		
	RINSE SPIN	For quickly rinsing chlorine, perspiration, stains, etc., out of clothes.		
15		For very soiled clothes. Begins with agitation, soaks for a specified period of time, then moves through the rest of the cycle automatically.		
	2nd RINSE	Provides an automatic, second deep rinse to thoroughly remove detergent or bleach from your clothes.		

# Component Locator Views

#### **Front View**



## Control Panel (in service position)

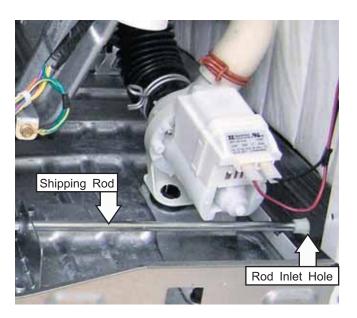


# **Washer Components**

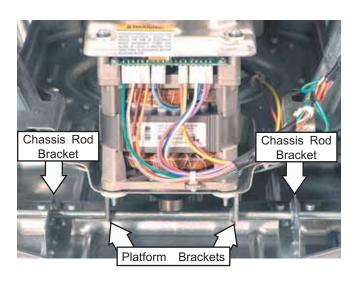
**WARNING:** Sharp edges may be exposed when servicing. Use caution to avoid injury. Wear Kevlar gloves or equivalent protection.

#### **Shipping Rod**

There is a new location for the shipping rod. The rod is inserted and removed through a hole located on the lower right side of the cabinet and now passes in front of the drain pump.



The shipping rod passes through the chassis rod brackets and the platform brackets.



#### **Leveling Legs**

The front legs are screw type and are adjusted by turning the legs counterclockwise to increase height. The rear leveling legs are contained in an assembly and will level the rear of the washer left to right.

To level the washer, tilt the washer forward to lift the rear legs off the floor, then gently set it back down. Adjust the front leveling legs to level the washer front to back and left to right across the front.

#### **Agitator**

The agitator is a dual-action ratcheting type, which sets on an air bell coupling. Remove the agitator by grasping the bottom and sharply pulling up. To protect from back injury, use agitator strap, part number WX5X1326 or equivalent.

To align the agitator for reassembly, match the grooves in the air bell to the grooves inside the agitator. The fins on the outside of the agitator are aligned with the grooves on the inside of the agitator. To remove the air bell coupling, remove the  $\frac{1}{16}$ -in. bolt and lift coupling off the shaft.



#### **Control Panel**

It is necessary to remove the control panel from the backguard and place it in the service position to access:

- Control timer
- Water level switch
- Water valve
- AC line filter

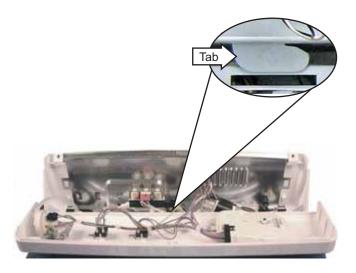
**Caution:** To prevent damage to the control panel, place a protective pad on the cover/lid assembly.

#### To place the control panel in the service position:

- 1. Disconnect power.
- 2. Remove the three ¼-in. hex-head screws from the rear of the control panel.



- 3. Rotate the top of the control panel forward approximately 1 inch and slide to the right to unlock the 3 bottom locking tabs.
- 4. Lift the panel up and off the cover panel and rotate down.



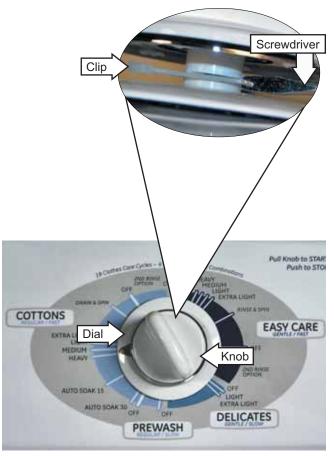
#### **Service Position**

#### **Control Timer**

The control timer is mounted on the inside of the control panel. It is held in place with a single  $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. hex-head screw and 2 tab-locks.

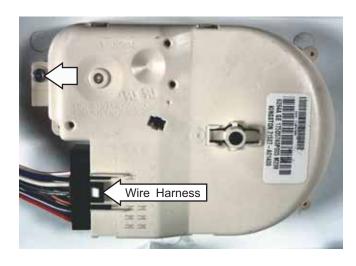
#### To remove the control timer:

- 1. Disconnect power.
- 2. Using a flat blade screwdriver, remove the spring clip that attaches the timer knob to the timer shaft.
- 3. Pull the knob and dial straight out from the timer.



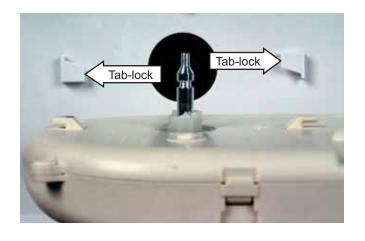
4. Place the control panel in the service position. (See *Control Panel*.)

- 5. Remove the wire harness from the control timer.
- 6. Remove the single ¼-in. hex-head screw.



7. Lift up slightly on the tab where the screw was located and rotate the timer clockwise (as viewed from back) to release it from the 2 tablocks.

#### Control Timer Removed From Control Panel



#### Water Level Switch

- The minimum fill volume is 9 gallons. The water level measures approximately 7½ inches (6 holes) above the bottom of the basket.
- The maximum fill volume is 22 gallons. The water level measures approximately 15 inches above the bottom of the basket (between holes 2 and 3 from the top).

#### Minimum Fill Level



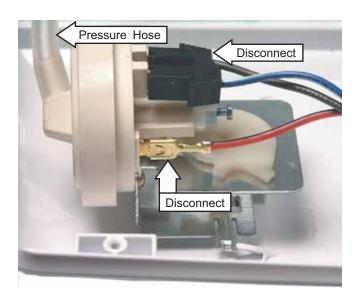
#### To remove the water level switch:

- 1. Disconnect power.
- 2. Remove the water level switch knob by gently pulling it outward.
- 3. Place the control panel in the service position. (See *Control Panel*.)

**Note:** The water level switch red and black wire has a locking tab that must be depressed to be disconnected. To remove this wire from the water level switch, depress the clip using a small blade screwdriver and pull the wire off the terminal as shown.



4. Disconnect the 3 wires and the pressure hose attached to the water level switch.



5. Press the plastic locking tab, rotate the switch counterclockwise, and pull the switch out of the control panel.



#### **Temperature Selector and Options Switches**

# To remove the temperature selector and options switches:

- 1. Disconnect power.
- 2. Remove the knob by gently pulling it outward.
- 3. Place the control panel in the service position. (See *Control Panel*.)
- 4. Mark and disconnect the wires attached to the switch.
- 5. Press the plastic locking tab, rotate the switch counterclockwise, and pull the switch out of the control panel.

#### **Temperature Selector Switch**



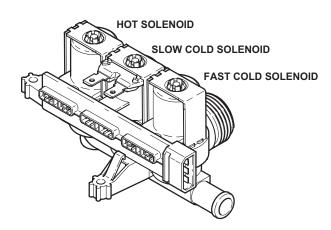
#### **Options Switch**



#### Water Valve

The washer utilizes a 3-coil water valve. This "triple water valve" meters water flow through fixed orifices. The chart below identifies the valves energized at each temperature setting and approximate water temperatures obtained (+/- 5°F). These temperatures are based on the DOE nominal temperatures of 135°F for hot and 60°F for cold.

Setting	Valve(s) Energized	Temperature
Hot	Hot Valve	135°F
Warm	Hot Valve	90°F
	Slow Cold Valve	
Cool	Cool Hot Valve	
	Fast Cold Valve	
	Slow Cold Valve	
Cold	Fast Cold Valve	60°F



- The water valve has a flow rate of approximately 2.1 gallons (8 liters) per minute.
- Each solenoid coil has an approximate resistance value of 1.1K  $\Omega$ .
- When energized, there should be approximately 120 VAC at the appropriate coil.

The water valve is accessed by placing the control panel in the service position. It is inserted and retained in a cutout in the rear of the backguard and held in place by 2 hex-head screws. It is only available as a complete assembly.

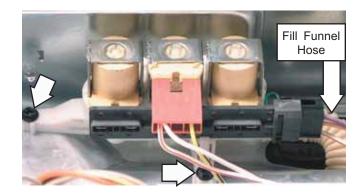
#### To remove the water valve:

- 1. Disconnect power.
- 2. Disconnect the wiring from the solenoids.
- 3. Place the control panel in the service position. (See *Control Panel*.)

4. Remove the fill hoses from the water valve.

**Note:** The fill funnel hose is difficult to remove.

- 5. Remove the fill funnel hose. Squeeze the clamp and slide it back. Carefully break the hose loose by inserting a small flat-blade screwdriver under the hose to break the seal.
- 6. Remove the two ¼-in. hex-head screws that hold the valve to the cabinet.

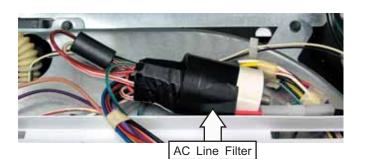


#### **AC Line Filter**

The potential exists for the washer to cause electronic devices in the vicinity to experience disruption. In addition, electrical devices in the area could cause erratic behavior in the washer electronic control. To eliminate the likelihood of disruption, the washer is equipped with a conductive noise filter. Should interference with electronic devices or erratic control behavior be reported, suspect a problem with the filter. The ground wire attached to the filter must have a good connection for the filter to operate properly. Check to make certain that the ground wire is connected properly before replacing the filter.

The filter is accessed by placing the control panel in the service position. (See *Control Panel*.)

**Note:** When untaping and disconnecting the wires from the AC line filter, note wire locations.



#### Lid Switch

The lid switch is installed in the cover assembly at the right front corner of the lid recess. The switch is held to the underside of the cover by a latch.

The lid switch is a safety feature that prevents the washer from agitating or spinning when the lid is open. The switch is closed by a magnet that is attached to the lid. When the lid is shut, the magnet will cause the switch to close the circuit, allowing normal functions to occur. When the lid is opened, the switch will open the circuit, which will prevent agitating or spinning.

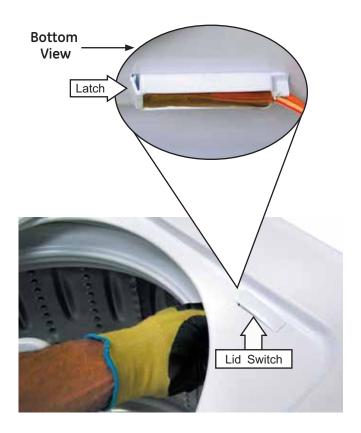
#### If the lid switch:

- Is closed, it will provide 120 VAC to the inverter/ motor assembly at pin 6 of the C2 connector.
- Is open, agitation and spin will not occur, but the timer will continue to advance and the washer will fill with water and drain at the appropriate times in the cycle.
- Was opened during a cycle, left open and the timer finished the cycle, when the lid is closed again, the inverter completes a spin algorithm to ensure the mode shifter is de-energized.
- Opens during agitation, the control will keep the mode shifter energized. When the lid switch closes while still in agitation, the washer will resume agitation.
- Opens during the execution of the mode shifter agitate program, the control will stop the agitate program and drop the mode shifter voltage to 0 VDC. When the lid switch is closed again, the control will run the mode shifter spin program and then re-run the agitate program from the beginning.
- Opens during the mode shifter spin program, the control will stop the spin program. When the lid is closed again, the control will run the spin program from the beginning.

#### Note:

- The motor inverter control monitors lid switch operation by monitoring voltage through pin 6 on connector C2.
- As a safety measure, the inverter control monitors lid openings by recording motor run sequences. If the control runs 4 continuous agitation/spin cycles (usually 2 complete wash cycles) WITHOUT seeing the lid switch open, it will shut down the motor and initiate a lid switch error code. This error will prevent the motor from operating until the problem is repaired.

To access the lid switch it is necessary to open the lid and reach under the cover assembly. To release it from the cover requires pressing the lid switch latch in firmly and gently pushing the switch up. The switch can then be lifted through the opening.



#### Front Panel

The front panel is a removable, galvanized sheet metal section. The front panel is fastened at the top by 2 metal spring clips, and at the bottom by 2 metal tabs, which protrude from the base of the unit into slots in the panel bottom.

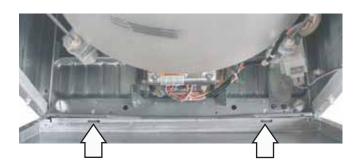
Most major mechanical components can be accessed by removing the front panel.

#### To remove the front panel:

- 1. Locate 2 spring clips between the top cover and front panel by aligning a putty knife with left or right edge of lid.
- 2. Insert the putty knife and push forward to release clips.



3. Rotate the front panel forward and lift off the bottom tabs.



#### Cover/Lid Assembly

The cover/lid assembly is fastened at the front by 2 screws, on the sides by 2 metal catches, and at the back by 3 locking tabs that protrude from the bottom of the control panel.

**Note:** Do not allow lid to swing open when cover/lid assembly is removed. Damage may result.

#### To remove the cover/lid assembly:

- 1. Remove the front panel. (See Front Panel.)
- 2. Remove the lid switch. (See Lid Switch.)
- 3. Remove the two ¼-in. hex screws securing the front of the cover/lid assembly to the cabinet.



4. Pull the top cover toward you while lifting up the front edge to release the side catches. Slide the top cover to the left to release from the 3 tabs.



#### **Drain Pump**

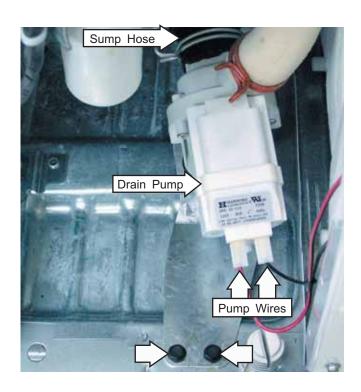
The drain pump is coupled to a 120 VAC, 60 Hz, 85 watt motor. The pump motor has an approximate resistance value of 12  $\Omega$ .

**Note:** If a wash cycle has started and the customer stops the washer by pushing in on the timer knob, the pump will not drain any water in the tub. The washer will go through a spin algorithm to deenergize the mode shifter and shut down. The water stays in the tub.

#### To remove the pump:

**Note:** Water will remain in hoses even when the tub appears empty. Use care to avoid water spills.

- 1. Disconnect power to the machine.
- 2. Lower the drain hose into a small bucket to remove any water remaining in hose.
- 3. Remove the front panel. (See *Front Panel*.)
- 4. Disconnect the pump wires.
- 5. Pinch off the black sump hose to prevent water spills.
- 6. Remove hose clamps and hoses from the pump.
- 7. Remove two 3/4-in. hex-head screws.



#### Belt

- Since the belt provides constant tension, there is no need for adjustments (an adjustment method is not provided).
- A worn or damaged belt can result in excessive brake time and will initiate a motor inverter slipping belt error code. This code will prevent the inverter/motor from operating.
- To replace the drive belt it may be helpful to use the belt install tool (part number WX05X10102).

#### **Belt Install Tool Kit**

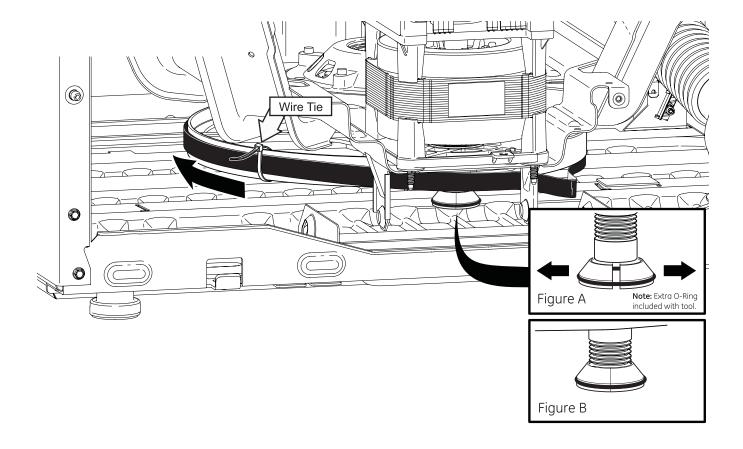




#### To replace the drive belt using the tool kit:

**Note:** If not using the belt install tool, follow steps 1 through 3, and 6 through 7. Remove wire tie after step 7.

- 1. Disconnect power.
- 2. Remove the front panel. (See *Front Panel*.)
- 3. Center belt on drive pulley and secure tightly with wire tie as shown on following page. Align wire tie as shown.
- 4. Stretch the belt install tool to fit over the end of the motor shaft. (See Figure A.)
- 5. Slide belt install tool upward until it snaps into the first groove of the motor shaft. (See Figure B.)
- 6. Center belt on motor shaft grooves and slowly turn drive pulley clockwise.
- 7. Continue rotating drive pulley until belt is fully engaged.
- 8. Remove wire tie and belt install tool.



#### Note:

- A new belt will be slightly smaller than the drive pulley.
- A belt that has been installed on the drive pulley will stretch to the diameter of the pulley over time. This is normal and does not indicate a bad belt.



New Belt on Pulley

#### Inverter/Motor

The inverter/motor assembly receives 120 VAC, which the inverter converts to approximately 340 VDC. The inverter then uses pulse width modulation (PWM) to supply the motor with an AC varying frequency to control speed.

**Note:** There is no location to check inverter output voltage to the motor. Voltage given is for information only.

The inverter/motor assembly consists of a motor and inverter board. A brake resistor is molded into the underside of the inverter cover and absorbs energy from the reversing of the motor during the braking cycle. A Hall effect sensor mounted on the inverter board measures motor speed (RPM).

The motor and inverter are available only as an assembly.

**WARNING:** Do not attempt to remove the inverter cover to service the board or brake resistor.

#### Note:

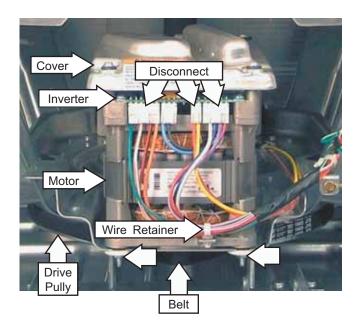
- There is a nonresettable fuse, located in the motor harness along the right side of the cabinet. If the fuse is open, agitate, spin, and mode shifting will not occur.
- If the motor speed sensor fails, the motor will not run.
- If the motor is not operating, the washer will still fill with water, advance the timer, and drain.
- If during an agitation cycle, water leaks from the tub and resets the pressure switch, the inverter control stops agitation and goes through the mode shifter spin program to de-energize the cam and the washer starts to refill with water. The motor will not run again until the pressure switch is satisfied, at which time the inverter control will run the mode shifter agitate program.
- If the mode shifter circuit fails or the coil opens, the tub will move back and forth with the agitator during the wash cycle.

#### To remove the inverter/motor:

1. Disconnect power.

**WARNING:** Exposed terminals, inverter board, and rotating parts may cause injury and/or electrical shock. To reduce the risk of electrical shock, disconnect power and allow at least 5 minutes for capacitors to discharge before servicing motor. An audible clicking sound will be heard when the inverter capacitor discharges (inrush relay closing).

- 2. Remove the front panel. (See *Front Panel*.)
- 3. Disconnect 3 wire harnesses from the motor.
- 4. Release the compression tabs that attach the wire retainer to the front of the platform.
- 5. Remove the belt by rolling it off the bottom of the motor pulley.
- 6. Remove the front two ¾-in. motor nuts and loosen the rear 2 nuts.



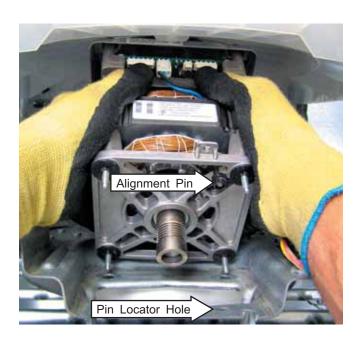
**Note:** Minimal clearance exits between the 2 rear %-in. motor nuts, isolators, and the drive pulley.

- 7. Raise the front of the motor high enough to disengage the motor alignment pin from the pin locator hole then slide the motor forward so that the 2 rear spacers clear the drive pulley.
- 8. Remove the rear two 3/2-in. motor nuts.
- 9. Tilt the top of the motor towards the shaft and tube. Lift and remove the motor from the platform.

**WARNING:** The motor casing is NOT at chassis ground potential. Voltage may be present on the motor casing. To prevent electrical shock, do not touch the motor when connected to power.

Caution: To prevent motor or inverter board damage, make certain all isolators are in place when reinstalling motor to platform.

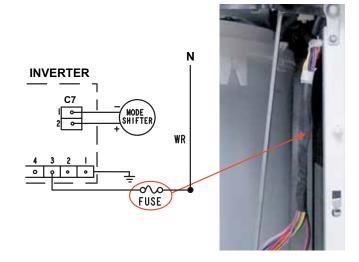
**Note:** When replacing the motor, ensure the motor alignment pin is fully inserted in the pin locator hole in the platform before tightening motor nuts.



**Note:** When replacing a motor, check its brake operation. Place washer in a spin cycle and lift the lid after it has reached full speed. The basket should stop within 7 seconds. If time exceeds 7 seconds check the lid switch operation, and check the belt for worn ribs or slippage due to residue on the belt or pulleys.

#### Harness Fuse

A nonresettable 10-amp fuse is wired in the neutral side of the line. The fuse is wrapped in the motor harness located along the right side of the cabinet.



If the fuse is open, agitate, spin, and mode shifting do not occur. Check the fuse connections and wiring harness.

**Caution:** Bending the harness can damage the fuse.

If the harness is OK, check the inverter/motor; a shorted brake resistor or internal motor problem can cause fuse failure.

**Note:** If the fuse is open, use harness fuse kit (part number WH49X10041). Instructions are included with the kit.

#### Suspension

The tub and motor assembly (spin basket, outer tub, inverter motor, shaft and mode shifter assembly and platform) is suspended by four rod and spring assemblies. The rod and spring assemblies are attached to each corner of the cabinet. They extend down and connect to the platform. This arrangement provides limited movement to the tub and motor assembly, independent of the cabinet when agitating and spinning, thus reducing cabinet travel and vibration. Front and rear suspension rod compressions vary to compensate for different model characteristics. The rods are color-coded to ensure that they are replaced in the correct position.

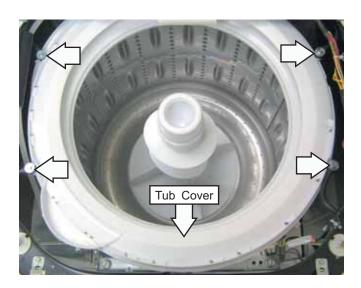
The outer tub has 4 dampening straps attached to the four corners of the cabinet. These straps prevent excessive outer tub rotation and movement during the wash cycle.

#### **Tub Cover**

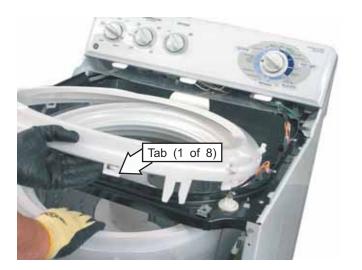
**Note**: The tub cover can be replaced without removing the tub.

#### To remove the tub cover:

- 1. Remove the front panel. (See *Front Panel*.)
- 2. Remove the cover/lid assembly. (See *Cover/Lid Assembly*.)
- 3. Disconnect 4 dampening straps from the tub cover by removing four %-in. hex-head screws.



- 4. Release the cover from the outer tub by lifting the 8 tabs.
- 5. Raise the front of the cover to clear the front cabinet brace and tilt the tub forward.
- 6. Carefully lift and remove the cover from the tub.

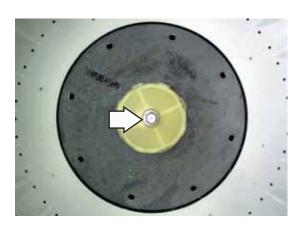


#### **Tub Assembly**

**Note**: The motor can be replaced without removing the tub. (See *Inverter/Motor*.) The tub assembly must be removed when replacing the spin basket, outer tub, or certain speed drive components.

#### To remove the tub assembly:

- 1. Disconnect power.
- 2. Lower the drain hose into a small bucket to remove any water remaining in the tub.
- 3. Remove the front panel. (See *Front Panel*.)
- Remove the cover/lid assembly. (See Cover/Lid Assembly.)
- 5. Remove the tub cover. (See *Tub Cover*.)
- 6. Remove the agitator. (See Agitator.)
- 7. Remove the ½6-in. hex-head bolt and air bell coupling from the agitator shaft.
- 8. Remove the air bell.

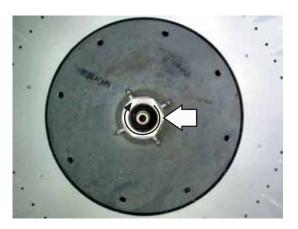


**Note:** When replacing air bell, tighten the  $\frac{1}{16}$ -in. hexhead bolt to 90 in. lbs. of torque.

**Caution:** Use only a rubber mallet, dead blow hammer, or impact wrench to remove the hub nut. Use of a steel head hammer may result in damage to the spin basket.

**Note:** The word "LOOSEN" and an arrow appear on the hub nut. Turn clockwise to remove.

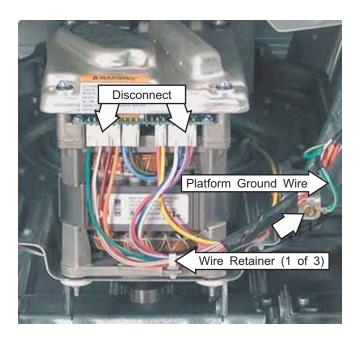
9. Remove the left-hand thread, 1<sup>11</sup>/<sub>16</sub>-in. nut using an impact wrench or a hub nut wrench (WX5X1325) and rubber mallet or dead blow hammer.



The hub nut must be torqued to 75 ft. lbs. To ensure the hub nut is tightened sufficiently when using a hub nut wrench, align the wrench with the holes in the basket and use them as a guide to determine when the nut will not move any further. Impact wrenches are set to more than 75 ft. lbs. and should tighten the nut sufficiently.

**WARNING:** Exposed terminals, inverter board and rotating parts may cause injury and/or electrical shock. To reduce the risk of electrical shock, disconnect power and allow at least 30 seconds for capacitors to discharge before servicing motor. A distinct click can be heard from the relay on the inverter when the capacitor is discharged.

- 10. Disconnect the 2 outer motor harness connectors, and the ¼-in. hex-head screw that attaches the platform ground wire.
- 11. Release the compression tabs that attach the 3 motor wire harness retainers to the front of the platform.



- 12. Remove the water pressure switch hose from the outer tub.
- 13. Pinch off the black sump hose to prevent water spills.
- 14. Loosen the 1/16-in. screw-type hose clamp and remove the sump hose at the tub.

**Note:** The front and rear rod and spring assemblies have different spring compressions and should not be interchanged. The rods are color-coded to ensure they are replaced in the correct position. Note the color location before removing.

15. Disengage the front rod and spring assemblies by raising the tub and removing the spring assemblies from the platform.



**Note:** The tub assembly will now lean forward. This allows clearance to reach behind the tub and access the rear rod and spring assemblies.

- 16. Disengage the rear rod and spring assemblies by raising the rear of the tub and removing the spring assemblies from the platform.
- 17. Pull the top of the tub assembly toward the front of the cabinet, then remove the basket from the tub.



18. Remove the tub assembly from the cabinet and place it on a protected surface.

#### **Shaft and Mode Shifter Assembly**

The shaft and mode shifter assembly consists of the shaft and tube, mode shifter cam, and mode shifter coil. These parts come only as an assembly.

**WARNING:** Do not attempt to disassemble the shaft and mode shifter assembly.

#### To remove the shaft and mode shifter assembly:

- 1. Remove the tub assembly from the cabinet. (See *Tub Assembly*.)
- 2. Remove the split ring and flat washer from the drive assembly.

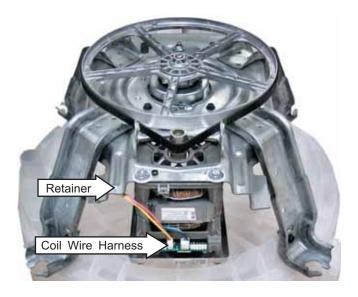


**Note:** A new seal (part number WH02X10032) is included with a replacement tub or shaft and mode shifter assembly. Replace the seal when the tub has been separated from the shaft and mode shifter assembly.

3. Invert the tub assembly on a protected surface and remove the plastic tie that holds the flood hose to the platform.



- 4. Disconnect the mode shifter coil wire harness from the motor.
- 5. Release the compression tab that attaches the mode shifter coil wire harness retainer to the front of the platform.



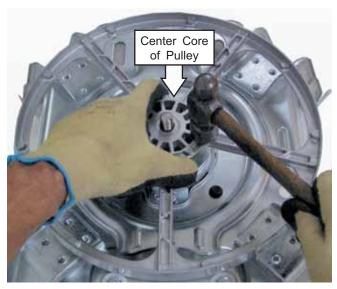
6. Run the belt off the drive pulley and remove the ¾-in. pulley nut.



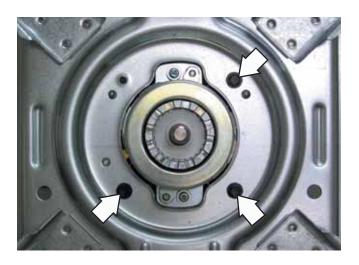
**Note:** When replacing pulley, tighten pulley nut to 275 in. lbs. of torque.

**Note:** In the following step, after removing the pulley nut, it may be helpful to grab the center core of the drive pulley with one hand and gently tap one of the drive pulley arms with a hammer. The drive pulley will "pop" off the tapered shaft.

7. Remove the drive pulley from the shaft and mode shifter assembly.

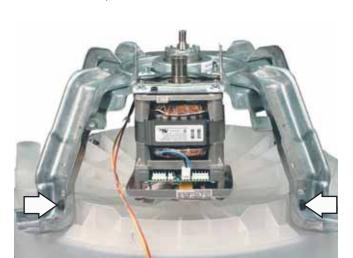


- 8. Remove the three 3/8-in. hex-head bolts from the bottom of the platform.
- 10. Lift the platform from the tub.

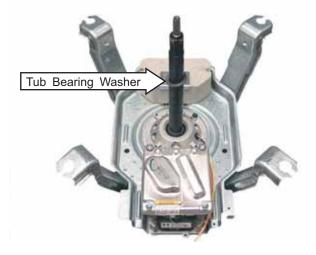




9. Remove the four ½-in. hex-head bolts that attach the platform to the tub.

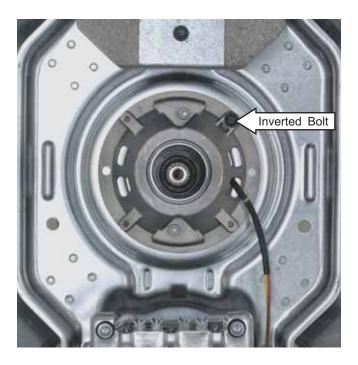


11. Place the platform upright on a protected surface and remove the tub bearing washer from the tube.

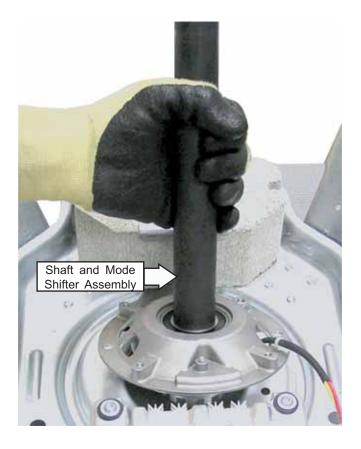


12. Remove the inverted single  $\frac{3}{8}$ -in. hex-head bolt from the top of the platform.

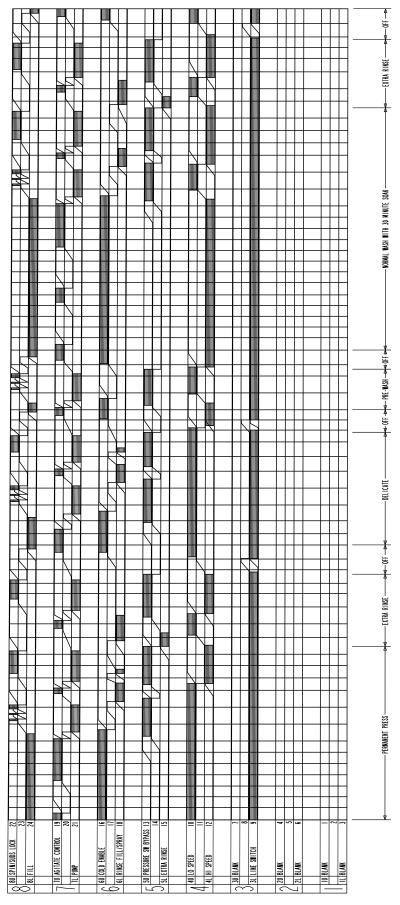
**Note:** Torque the four ¾-in. hex-head bolts to 90 in. lbs. when reinstalling.



13. Lift the shaft and mode shifter assembly from the platform.



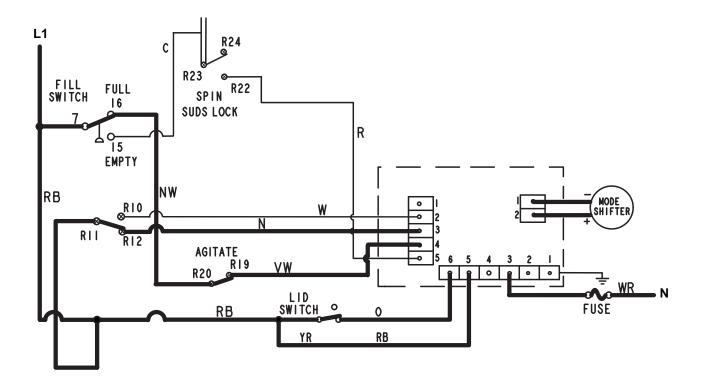
# Diagnostics and Service Information



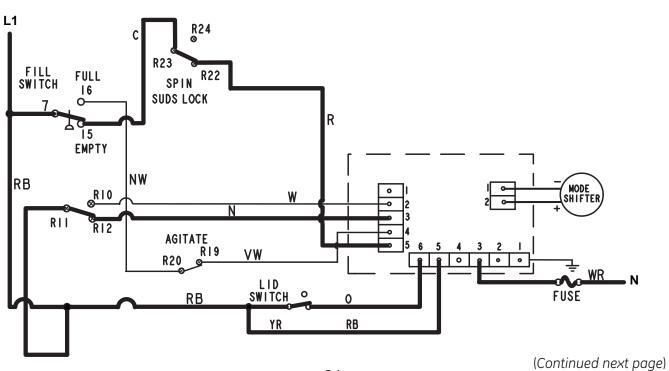
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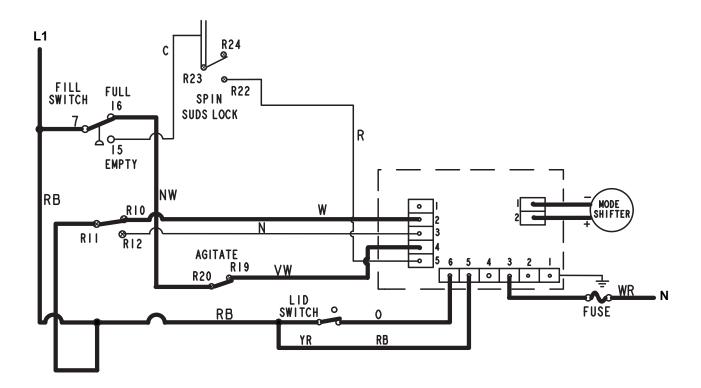
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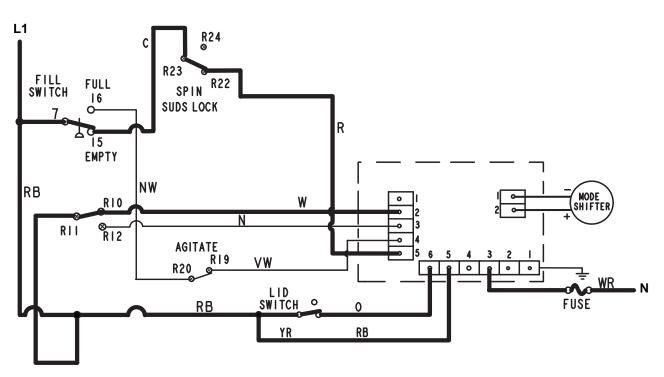


## **Motor Circuit - High Speed Spin**





## **Motor Circuit - Low Speed Spin**



#### **Inverter/Motor Error Codes**

#### Inverter/Motor Signal LED



- An LED beneath the inverter cover can be viewed for diagnostic testing.
- When motor is operating normally, and running, the LED blinks at a constant rate of  $\frac{1}{2}$  second on and  $\frac{1}{2}$  second off.
- When motor is operating normally, and idle, the LED blinks at a constant rate of 1 second on and 1 second off.
- Motor/Control error condition LED is on for .25 seconds and off for .25 seconds for a specified number of times, during a 6-second period. The 6-second cycle repeats continuously.

#### Inverter/Motor Signal LED Errors

NUMBER OF FLASHES	DESCRIPTION	ACTION	
I SECOND ON I SECOND OFF	NORMAL STANDBY	NORMAL STANDBY	
.5 SECOND ON .5 SECOND OFF	NORMAL RUNNING	NORMAL RUNNING	
I FLASH	LONG STOP TIME	REPLACE MOTOR	
2 FLASH	SLIPPING BELT	CHECK BELT*	
3 FLASH	CORRUPTED SOFTWARE	REPLACE MOTOR	
4 FLASH	MODE SHIFT CIRCUIT FAILED	CHECK MODE SHIFTER COIL*	
5 FLASH	NOT IMPLEMENTED	REPLACE MOTOR	
6 FLASH	LOCKED ROTOR	MAKE SURE SYSTEM IS FREE*	
7 FLASH	LID SWITCH DID NOT OPEN	CHECK LIDSWITCH*	
8 FLASH	MOTOR OVERHEATED	MAKE SURE SYSTEM IS FREE*	
9 FLASH	BRAKE RESISTOR OPEN	REPLACE MOTOR	
ON 2,4,6,7 & 8 FLASH ERRORS IF NO SYSTEM FAILURES ARE FOUND, REPLACE MOTOR			

- When excessive stop time is encountered, more than 25 seconds, the LED blinks once for ¼ second and then off for the remainder of a 6-second period.
- When a broken coupling or slipping belt is detected, the LED blinks twice at a rate of ¼ second on and ¼ second off for the remainder of a 6-second period.
- When an inverter ROM checksum error is detected, the LED blinks 3 times at a rate of ¼ second on and ¼ second off for the remainder of a 6-second period.
- When a mode shifter error occurs, the LED blinks 4 times at a rate of ¼ second on and ¼ second off for the remainder of a 6-second period. The motor continues to operate with this error.
- When a locked rotor is detected, the washer will sit idle for 15 seconds and retry. If the motor does not operate after 3 tries, the LED blinks 6 times at a rate of ¼ second on and ¼ second off for the remainder of a 6-second period.
- When a lid error is detected by the lid switch counter, 4 agitate/spin pairs with no change in state of lid switch, the LED blinks 7 times at a rate of ¼ second on and ¼ second off for the remainder of a 6-second period.
- When an over temperature condition is detected in motor, the LED blinks 8 times at a rate of ¼ second on and ¼ second off for the remainder of a 6-second period. The motor continues to operate at reduced performance levels.
- When a brake resistor circuit error is detected in motor, the LED blinks 9 times at a rate of ¼ second on and ¼ second off for the remainder of a 6-second period. Maximum spin speed is limited to 50 RPM.
- Critical Errors, #1, #2, & #7, will prevent inverter/motor from operating.

To clear errors, disconnect power until an audible clicking sound is heard when the inverter capacitor discharges (approximately 15 seconds). Open and close the lid 5 or more times in any 12-second period within the first 30 seconds of power-up. Errors will not clear if washer is in either agitate or spin mode.

#### Inverter/Motor Test

#### Voltage readings:

C2 Pin 1 = Ground

C2 Pin 3 = Neutral

C2 Pin 5 to Pin 3 = 120 VAC

C2 Pin 6 to Pin 3 = 120 VAC with lid switch closed

C7 Pin 1 to Pin 2 = 135 VDC\* C7 Pin 1 to Pin 2 = 30 VDC\*

#### **Low Speed Agitate**

C2 Pin 3 to C4 Pin 2 = 120 VAC C2 Pin 3 to C4 Pin 4 = 120 VAC

#### **High Speed Agitate**

C2 Pin 3 to C4 Pin 3 = 120 VAC C2 Pin 3 to C4 Pin 4 = 120 VAC

#### **Low Speed Spin**

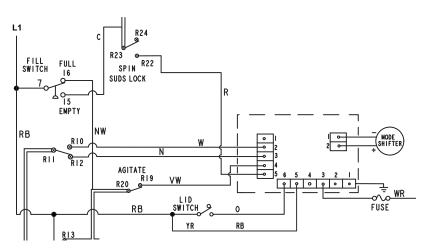
C2 Pin 3 to C4 Pin 2 = 120 VAC C2 Pin 3 to C4 Pin 5 = 120 VAC

#### **High Speed Spin**

C2 Pin 3 to C4 Pin 3 = 120 VAC C2 Pin 3 to C4 Pin 5 = 120 VAC

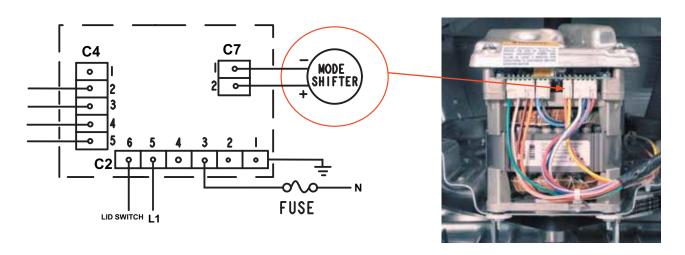
\* 135 VDC is present for approximately 15 seconds at the beginning of the agitate program. 30 VDC is present during the remainder of the agitate cycle.

**Note:** All electrical testing is done at harness plugs.



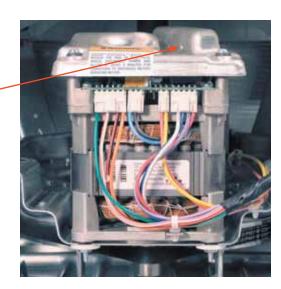


#### **Mode Shifter Coil Test**



**Note:** The mode shift coil connects to C7 connector on inverter/motor assembly. Unplug C7 connector and check continuity. Mode shift coil resistance value is approximately  $98\Omega$  @ room temperature (77°F).

The brake resistor is permanently molded into the underside of the inverter cover.

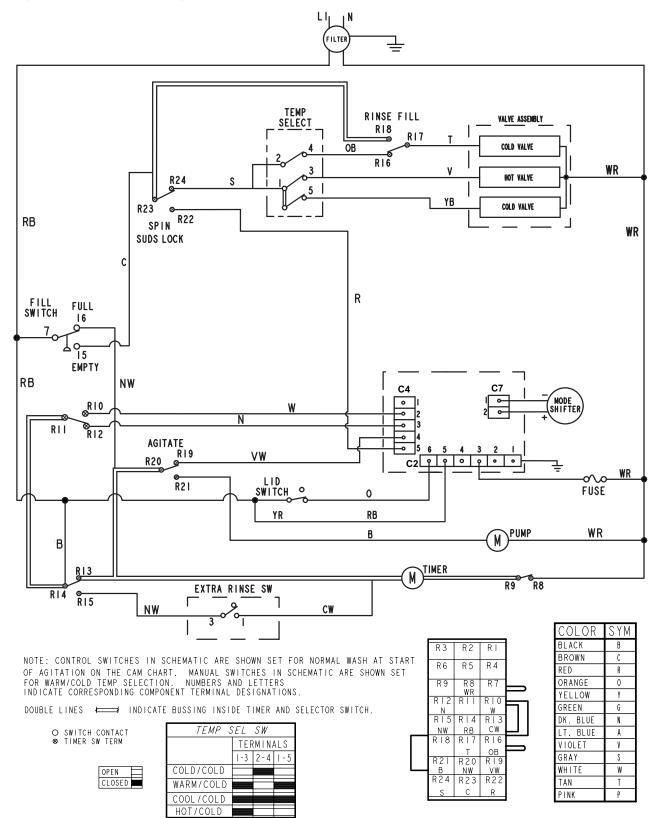


- Tub should stop spinning 7 seconds after lid is lifted.
- If the tub takes approximately 10 seconds to stop, check drive belt for wear.
- If tub coasts to stop, brake resistor has failed and inverter/motor assembly must be replaced.
- If the tub takes longer than 25 seconds to stop, the inverter will initiate a brake resistor error code. (See *Inverter/Motor Error Codes*.)

## **Schematic**

**WARNING:** Disconnect electrical power before servicing.

**Caution**: Label all wires prior to disconnection. Wiring errors can cause improper and dangerous operation. Verify operation after servicing.



# Warranty

# GE Washer Warranty.



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