

## **DRYER VENT MAINTENANCE**

Clothes washers and dryers at one time were relegated to the basement laundry room, but no more. In modern homes, they're conveniently everywhere—in the kitchen, bathroom, bedrooms, or even in hall closets. But along with convenience comes an extra maintenance worry: a clothes dryer that's not located right next to a ground-level wall still has to be vented so its exhaust blows outdoors. And that means the exhaust vent might run a long distance, with a few sharp turns and bends along the way. Those bends create more places where lint can collect and pile up. Lint is flammable and poses a fire risk.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission estimates that 15,500 residential fires a year begin in clothes dryers. These fires result in 320 injuries, 20 deaths, and more than \$84.4 million in property damage a year. There's plenty you can do to minimize this fire hazard and save energy in the process:

- Clean your dryer's lint screen after every load.
- Replace flexible plastic dryer hose at the back of the dryer (to outside exhaust ducting) with aluminum or foil hose.
- Replace smashed or kinked dryer hose the back of the dryer.
- Keep outside vent free of obstructions like bird's nests, rodents and bug infestations
- If your dryer venting has a long run with sharp turns or bends have your clothes dryer exhaust ducting inspected and/or cleaned annually by a certified technician.

**NOTE:** If your dryer is not drying clothes completely at normal temperatures or if your dryer is overheating your dryer's exhaust duct may be clogged. If you suspect you have a clogged dryer duct, call a certified technician before using your dryer,

### **Trust Master Clean & Green Maintenance Process**

We clean the dryer vent from the outside by sending a spinning reverse air nozzle (snake-jet) through the outside exhaust vent at 150 pounds per square inch (PSI). This snake-jet moves through the dryer exhaust ducting while at the same blowing air 360 degrees backwards and blasting lint, debris and birds nests out the outside exhaust vent. This cleaning process cleans all the way to the flexible hose behind the dryer and because the dryer exhaust vent ducting is cleaned from the outside NO lint is released into the home.