

# Monthly Laundry Closet Safety Checklist



Keep your family safe with these essential monthly checks.



- Clean lint trap thoroughly**  
Remove ALL lint buildup from trap and surrounding areas. Check for any tears or damage to the screen.
- Inspect external dryer vent**  
Check vent flap opens and closes properly. Remove any lint, debris, or animal nests blocking the opening.
- Test exhaust fan operation**  
Turn on fan and feel for strong airflow. Listen for unusual noises that might indicate motor problems.
- Inspect for water leaks**  
Check around washing machine, under drain pan, and along water supply lines for any moisture or staining.
- Test GFCI outlets**  
Press TEST button (power should cut off), then RESET button (power should restore). Replace if not working.
- Monitor operating temperature**  
Feel around appliances after operation. Excessive heat or temperatures above 85°F indicate problems.
- Test smoke detectors**  
Press test button on detectors in and around laundry closet. Replace batteries if chirping.