



Whirlpool Corporation Develops New Braided Hoses

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Whirlpool Corporation, the world's leading appliance manufacturer, is proud to introduce a premium line of black and green braided fill hoses for washers, dishwashers and refrigerators that connect to water. These new braided hoses surpass Whirlpool's strict burst specifications and also avoid electrical risks commonly associated with stainless steel hoses. This industry breakthrough has been accomplished because the hoses are constructed with a non-conductive exterior.

With these new reinforced hoses, Whirlpool Corporation introduces their strongest and most reliable fill hose yet, as well as a new signature look for the appliance industry. These revolutionary hoses house layers of high-performance features.

Made of commercial-grade EPDM rubber (Washer and Dishwasher hoses) or Santoprene (Refrigerator hose) that does not get brittle, a series of interlocking polyester belts provides extra reinforcement and security. A smooth interior prevents unwanted impurities from building up so that the maximum amount of water can flow freely to clothing, dishes and the ice or water hook-ups on a refrigerator. Attached to the end, a unique anti-corrosive coupling sits over superior grade metal. These couplings have been specifically engineered to prevent the hose from bonding to the fittings, a common problem with fill hoses. It's a connection that won't corrode, but will create a tight seal worthy of Whirlpool engineering standards.

Working together, these features represent the extensive research and engineering that was put forth to create a product that withstands even the harshest conditions. Every fill hose provides exceptional durability and performance.

Stainless steel hoses cannot make these claims. As the inner hose within the stainless steel weakens, it cannot withstand the pressure, and the chances of a burst or split increase. Stainless steel is also known to conduct electricity, unlike the non-conductive exterior of the premium line of braided fill hoses. By eliminating the conductive stainless steel exterior, Whirlpool Corporation has provided a safer choice for installation.

Since Whirlpool engineers developed, tested and approved these new reinforced braided hoses, you can trust the hoses, too.

Whirlpool Corporation is the world's leading manufacturer and marketer of major home appliances, with annual sales of over \$14 billion, 68,000 employees, and nearly 50 manufacturing and technology research centers around the globe. The company markets *Whirlpool*, *KitchenAid*, *Brastemp*, *Bauknecht*, *Consul* and other major brand names to consumers in more than 170 countries. Additional information about the company can be found on the Internet at www.whirlpoolcorp.com.

