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MODEL/SERIAL PLATE INFORMATION

The model number identifies an appliance with particular features and indicates the year of introduction. The serial number indicates where and when a product was built and includes a sequential serial number. It is important that you become familiar with the model and serial number formats so that you can accurately answer consumers' questions and correctly document model and serial numbers on warranty claims.

1. WHIRLPOOL / KITCHENAID / ROPER:

Determining the year of manufacture

The year codes in the serial numbers for the 1970's were repeated in the 1980's. Both model and serial number are needed to identify a specific appliance manufactured during the 1970's and 1980's.

For example, the "5" in the **serial number**—C50734686—for a Whirlpool washer indicates the product was manufactured either in 1975 or 1985. To determine if the **5** indicates 1975 or 1985, you need to know the model number.

In the **model number**, the year of introduction code was in the second position during the 1970's and in the eighth position in the 1980's to the present. In this example—LA7680XMW0—the "M" located in the eighth position in the model number indicates that the washer was introduced in 1984.

The washer with model number LA7680XMW0 and serial number C50734686 was manufactured in 1985.

MODEL NUMBER YEAR DESIGNATORS

The following chart lists model year designators and where they are located in Whirlpool model numbers.

Note: Model year designators indicate when a model was introduced not manufactured.

CODE IN 2ND POSITION		M O D E L N U M B E R	CODE IN 8TH POSITION	
CODE	YEAR		CODE	YEAR
J	1962		J	1981
K	1963		K	1982
L	1964		L	1983
M	1965		M	1984
P	1966		P	1985
R	1967		R	1986
S	1968		S	1987
T	1969		T	1988
V	1970		V	1989



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MODEL NUMBER YEAR DESIGNATORS (Continued):

Code In 2 nd Position		Code In 8 th Position	
W	1971	W	1990
X	1972	X	1991
Y	1973	Y	1992
A	1974	A	1993
A	1975	B	1994
D-E	1976-77	D	1995
F-G	1978-79	E	1996
H	1980-81	F	1997
		G	1998
		H	1999
		J	2000
		K	2001
		L	2002
		M	2003
		P	2004
		R	2005
		S	2006
		T	2007
		V	2008
		W	2009
		X	2010

SERIAL NUMBER DESIGNATORS

The type of information contained in Whirlpool serial numbers has not changed over the years, the way the information is represented in the serial numbers has. The information contained in the serial number includes the division, the source (for product not built by Whirlpool), the year, the week and the order of manufacturing.

The following example and breakdown indicate the information found in the serial number for products "built by Whirlpool": Example: EF2715205 E F 27 15205

- 1st Alpha Character = Manufacturing division code
- 2nd Alpha Character, next to 1st digit = Year of manufacture
- 1st and 2nd Digit = Week of year manufactured
- 3rd through 7th Digit = Order of manufacturing that week

For products "not built by Whirlpool", an additional alpha is used after the first alpha to indicate the source. All other alpha and numeric designations remain the same.

Example: ECF2715205 E C F 27 15205



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Whirlpool alpha and numeric code date indicators for serial numbers:

Code	Year		Code	Year		Code	Year
0	1970		5	1985		K	2000
1	1971		6	1986		L	2001
2	1972		7	1987		M	2002
3	1973		8	1988		P	2003
4	1974		9	1989		R	2004
5	1975		X	1990		S	2005
6	1976		A	1991		T	2006
7	1977		B	1992		U	2007
8	1978		C	1993		W	2008
9	1979		D	1994		Y	2009
0	1980		E	1995		0	2010
1	1981		F	1996		1	2011
2	1982		G	1997		2	2012
3	1983		H	1998		3	2013
4	1984		J	1999		4	2014

2. MAYTAG:

Current Maytag Products Serial Number Date Codes

As of 1990, ALL serial numbers consist of eight digits, followed by two letters. The two letters are the date codes for manufacturing and are listed below.

Year	Code	Month	Code		Year	Code	Month	Code
1990	B	January	B		2002	A	January	A
1991	D	February	D		2003	C	February	C
1992	F	March	F		2004	E	March	E
1993	H	April	H		2005	G	April	G
1994	K	May	K		2006	J	May	J
1995	M	June	M		2007	L	June	L
1996	Q	July	Q		2008	N	July	N
1997	S	August	S		2009	P	August	P
1998	U	September	U		2010	R	September	R
1999	W	October	W		2011	T	October	T
2000	Y	November	Y		2012	V	November	V
2001	Z	December	Z		2013	X	December	X

First Alpha = Year; Second Alpha = Month Example: 12345678AE; Produced March 2002



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2. Maytag (continued)

Serial Number Date Codes Prior to 1990

Maytag Laundry Products (Newton, IA)
Jenn-Air Cooking Products (Indianapolis, IN)

Year	Code	Month	Code	Year	Code	Month	Code
1978	A	January	A	1984	N	July	N
1979	C	February	C	1985	P	August	P
1980	E	March	E	1986	R	September	R
1981	G	April	G	1987	T	October	T
1982	J	May	J	1988	V	November	V
1983	L	June	L	1989	X	December	X

First Alpha = Year; Second Alpha = Month

Example: 123456PR; Produced September 1985

3. AMANA:

Amana Cooking Products

Amana Caloric and Modern Maid serial numbers run consecutively until the following changes were implemented:

Serial number format started April, 1989:

Production Location	Year Of Production	Week Of Production	Six Digit Serial Number
F - Florence	9 - 1989	15 - April	XXXXXX
D - Delaware	0 - 1990		

Example: F015 = Florence, 1990, second week in April, XXXXXX.

Serial number format started in 1991:

Year	Month	Six Digit Serial Number
1991	01	XXXXXX

Example: 9101 = 1991, January, XXXXXX

This change was implemented in Florence production on January 1, 1991 (9101XXXXXX), and in Delaware on March 4, 1991 (9103XXXXXX).

Amana cooking products were produced at the Delaware, OH facility until October, 1996.



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3. AMANA (Continued):

Serial Number Date Codes Prior to 1993

Laundry Products (Herrin, IL)

Month	Code	Year	Code	Month	Code	Year	Code
January	G	07/84 - 06/85	W	July	A	1990	D
February	H	07/85 - 06/86	X	August	B	1991	E
March	J	07/86 - 12/86	Y	September	C	1992	F
April	K	1987	A	October	D		
May	L	1988	B	November	E		
June	M	1989	C	December	F		

First Alpha = Month; Second Alpha = Year

Example: GD123456; Produced January 1990

Serial Number Date Codes Prior to 1994

Refrigeration (Galesburg, IL)

Month	Code	Year	Code	Month	Code	Year	Code
January	A	1982	J	July	G	1988	Q
February	B	1983	K	August	H	1989	R
March	C	1984	L	September	J	1990	S
April	D	1985	M	October	K	1991	T
May	E	1986	N	November	L	1992	U
June	F	1987	P	December	M	1993	V

First Alpha = Month; Second Alpha = Year

Example: AS12345678; Produced January 1990

Amana Production Date Codes Prior to 1986

All serial numbers consisted of two letters and eight numbers. The first two letters indicate the year and month the product was manufactured.

Example: BA0000001

B - 1981

A - January



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3. AMANA (Continued):

Year Code	Month Code		Year Code	Month Code		Year	Month Code
B = 81 or 71	A = January		K = 85 or 75	E = May		S = 79	J = September
L = 82 or 72	B = February		H = 76	F = June		E = 80	K = October
A = 83 or 73	C = March		O = 77	G = July			L = November
C = 84 or 74	D = April		R = 78	H = August			M = December

Amana Production Date Codes Prior to 2002

Prior to 2002, all Amana serial numbers consisted of 10 digits. The first two digits indicate the year and the second two digits indicate the month.

Example: 9801000001

98 = Year Manufactured

01 = Month Manufactured

000001 = Recycled each new calendar month.

Serial Plate Locations

If you have any questions regarding model and/or serial numbers, or their location, call the Customer eXperience Center (800-874-4698).



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