

Laundry Symbols, Quick Reference, US and EU Terms			
Icon Name	What it means	When to use	Risks if ignored
Washing tub, 30 °C	Machine wash cold, max 30 °C, 86 °F	Most knits, colors	Shrink, dye bleed if hotter
Washing tub, 40 °C	Machine wash warm, max 40 °C, 104 °F	Everyday mixed loads	Set-in stains if too cool
Washing tub, 60 °C	Machine wash hot, max 60 °C, 140 °F	Towels, bedding	Shrinkage for some fibers
Triangle empty	Bleach allowed	Whites, stain removal	Color loss if fabric not stable
Triangle crossed	Do not bleach	Darks, prints	Discoloration if bleached
Square with circle, 1 dot	Tumble dry low	Delicates, synthetics	Melt or shrink on high heat
Square with circle, crossed	Do not tumble dry	Wool, structured items	Distortion if tumbled
Iron, 1 to 3 dots	Low, medium, high iron	Match label dots	Scorch or shine if too hot
Circle P or F	Dry clean as marked	Suits, coats	Shape loss with home wash
Start or Pause	Begin or pause cycle	Mid cycle checks	Some models unlock and drain if paused mid-fill
Child Lock	Buttons disabled, safety	Homes with children	Settings changed accidentally
Spin Speed	Sets RPM extraction	Higher for towels	Creasing, stretch if too high