



# MULTI-UNIT AND COMMERCIAL DRYER VENT CLEANING

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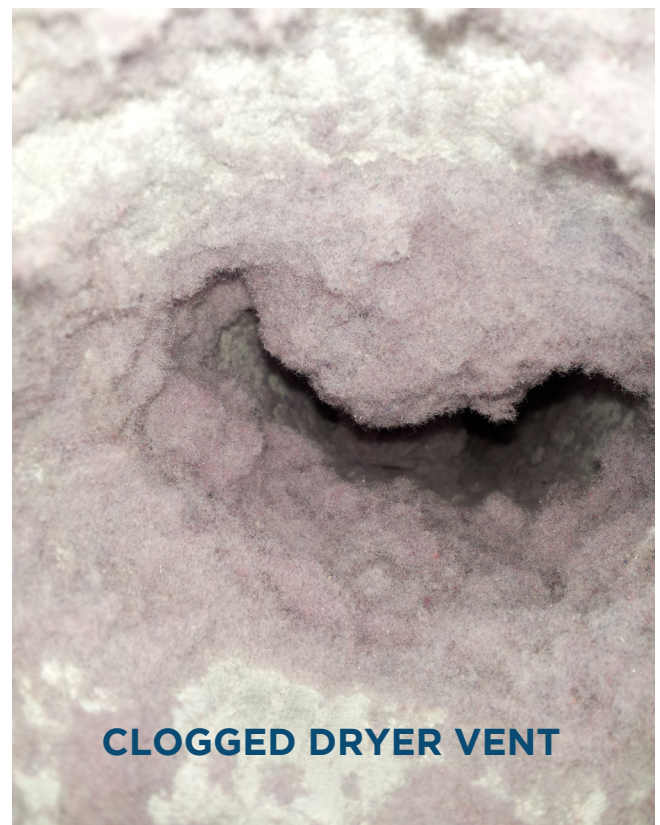
**“Lint is a highly combustible material that can accumulate both in the dryer and in the dryer vent. Accumulated lint leads to reduced airflow and can pose a potential fire hazard.”**

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DUCTZ Service Technicians are certified and trained to ensure that your facility’s Dryer Vents meet all building codes and are inspected and cleaned on a regular cleaning schedule.

Maintaining and cleaning the Dryer Vents reduces drying time, therefor reducing utility bills and costly repairs to machinery.

Commercial Dryer Vent safety is a paramount concern. All dryer vents should be cleaned at least once per year and more frequently in commercial applications. Commercial Dryer Manufacturers suggest a cleaning program with cleaning frequencies varying from a monthly clean to cleaning at least every 6 months.



**CLOGGED DRYER VENT**

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## WARNING SIGNS YOUR DRYER VENTS SHOULD BE CLEANED IMMEDIATELY:

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It has been a year or more since the dryer vents have been cleaned.

The dryer gets hot to the touch on the outside of the unit.

Clothes coming out of the dryer are unusually hot.

The outside vent flaps or louvers do not open when the dryer is on.

The dryer turns off before the cycle is complete.

It often takes multiple cycles to dry the contents of the dryer.

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## MAYTAG AND WHIRLPOOL COMMERCIAL DRYER INSTALLATION GUIDES STATE:

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“SECTION VI: ROUTINE MAINTENANCE

CLEANING:

A Program and/or schedule should be established for periodic inspection, cleaning and removal of lint from various areas of the dryer, as well as throughout the ductwork system. The frequency of cleaning can be best determined from experience at each location. Maximum operating efficiency is dependent upon proper air circulation. The accumulation of lint can restrict this air flow. If the guidelines in this section are met, a MAYTAG dryer will provide many years of efficiency, trouble free, and most importantly, safe operation.

IMPORTANT: Dryer produces combustible lint and *must* be exhausted to the outdoors.

**Every 6 months, inspect the exhaust ducting and remove any lint build up.”**

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## SPEED QUEEN TUMBLE COMMERCIAL DRYER MAINTENANCE GUIDES STATE:

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“Clean any lint from the lint compartment and screen daily to maintain proper airflow and avoid overheating.

Check cylinder daily for foreign objects to avoid damage to clothing and equipment.

Remove lint and debris from inside the exhaust duct **monthly** to maintain proper airflow and avoid overheating.”

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