



How to clean and maintain miele softtronic T8403c

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INTRODUCTION

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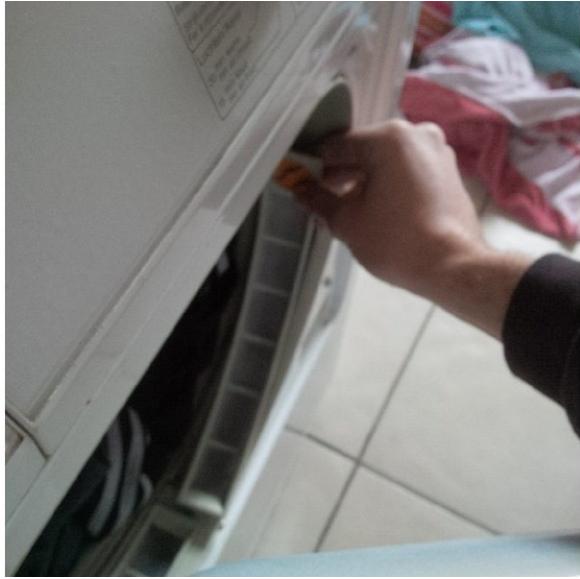
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TOOLS:

- [T20 Torx Screwdriver \(1\)](#)
- [1 x T30 Torx screwdriver \(1\)](#)

Step 1 — cleaning the filters



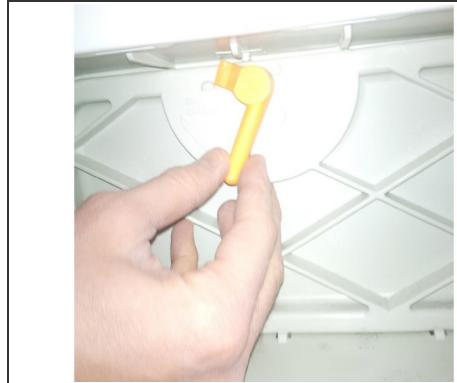
- start with cleaning the filters inside the machine
- unlock (if possible , not all these machines inside filters are removable..) and clean out the filters using hot water and vinegar. there are tiny little holes in the filter , it is possible you will have to blow theme out with an compressor.

Step 2



- after cleaning the two small filter and the door filter. we will start to clean the big filter at the bottom of the machine.
- you need to use the orange plastic "spudger" from Miele itself. It is hidden at the watercollector.

Step 3



- remove the white plastic lid using the orange spudger.
- when that is open use the second lid.
- and eventually the big steel "filter". see the next step.

Step 4



- and eventually the "steel condensator".
- to clean this out use the showerhead and clean the condensator with hot water , let it dry for a day.

Step 5



- turn the machine and remove the big steel plate (there could be some adhesive ,) use the torx screwdriver t20

⚠ when the machine is getting a little older the black rubber seal decay over time... (i am not sure this phrase is correct?) . A new one costs 98 euro here in Belgium ...rediculous... , so be very carefull with older machines (+ 5 years..)

- after cleaning the machine on the back (3 times over 5 years) the machine started leaking water , cause the rubber seal was comming loose.

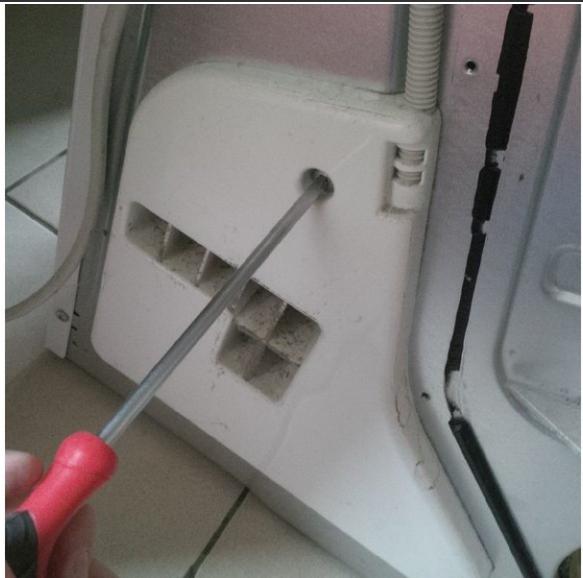
ⓘ Tip: you can replace the broken rubber seal with silicone (waterproof silicone)

Step 6



- clean out the back of the filterplace. use a wet and drycleaner to do this.

Step 7



- at the left side there is a white plate with one T30 torx screw.
- remove the plate an loose the white water tube.

Step 8



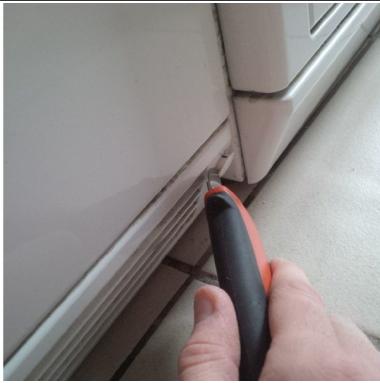
- behind the plate you'll see the pump/ventilator.
- clean it out with the wet and drycleaner.

Step 9



- remove the end of the waterhose(use the flathead screwdriver). and blow the hose out.

Step 10



- now we will clean out the bottom plate.
- remove the plastic shell that is covering Torx screws.
- remove it using a Stanley knife.
- remove the screws (at both sides) and remove the plastic frame.
- You'll see there will be a lot of dirt in the frame. blow (or vacuum clean) it. and put it back. also clean out the holes.
- the machine is now clean and good to use again. I advise to do these hole guide one a year. Clean the "normal" filters everytime you use the machine. (just take out the fluff)

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.