

Do Removal Companies Disconnect Washing Machines?



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Will Movers Disconnect My Washing Machine?

? Usually Not

Most <u>professional removal companies</u> do not disconnect washing machines, dishwashers, or any appliances connected to water or electricity.

Why not?

- ?? Health & safety regulations
- ?? Insurance limitations
- ?? Risk of leaks, flooding, or damage
- ?? Disconnection should be done by a qualified plumber or electrician

? **However:** If the appliance is already disconnected and safe to move, our movers can unplug it and transport it with care.

What Should I Do Before Movers Arrive?

? Step-by-Step Guide to Disconnect a Washing Machine:

- Turn off the water supply at the wall valves
- Unplug the machine from the electrical socket
- Disconnect both inlet and drain hoses and let them drain completely
- Wipe down the inside and outside of the machine
- Insert the transit bolts to secure the drum
- Tape the hoses and plug securely to the back of the machine

? Want help preparing the rest of your home? Check out our packing and unpacking services.

Can I Pay Extra for Appliance Disconnection?

Some <u>removal companies</u> partner with certified plumbers or electricians who can handle disconnection — but this must be arranged separately in advance.

At London Man Van, we do not disconnect washing machines ourselves, but we're happy to recommend trusted professionals and provide guidance on how to prep your appliance for safe transport.

Will Movers Reconnect the Washing Machine in My New Home?

Again, the answer is no Reconnecting a washing machine may require:

- ? Proper plumbing access and water lines
- ? A safe drainage system
- ? In some cases, a qualified installer (especially for built-in models)

Our movers will place the machine in its desired location — but actual reconnection should be done by a qualified tradesperson.

FAQs - Washing Machines and Moving

Can movers unplug the washing machine?

Yes — but only if it's already safely disconnected from the water supply. Movers cannot legally handle plumbing or electrical disconnection.

Can I move the washing machine myself?

Not recommended. Washing machines are heavy and awkward. Moving one without proper tools or technique can damage the drum or flooring.

What other appliances do movers not disconnect?

- Dishwashers
- Gas cookers
- Electric ovens (if hardwired)
- Fridge/freezers (unless defrosted beforehand)

Final Thoughts

Your movers are experts in lifting, loading, and transport — but they are not qualified plumbers or electricians. When it comes to disconnecting washing machines and similar appliances, it's best left to a professional.

Taking a few minutes to prepare your appliance properly helps protect your home, your washing machine, and the safety of your movers.