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## New Miele heat-pump dryers: Faster, more efficient and with environmentally friendly coolant

- ▶ First heat-pump dryer with 400 l drum volume
- ▶ Cycle times up to 25% shorter than previously

**Gütersloh, December 15, 2021. – Miele commercial heat-pump dryers are approx. 60% more efficient than comparable models using conventional technology. The new models from Miele feature a heat-pump module which reduces energy consumption even further – even in combination with reduced cycle times. Furthermore, each module contains 25% less coolant than previously the case: The new, environmentally friendly R450a refrigerant is, in the unlikely case of a release to atmosphere, far less damaging to the climate. The new models will be available at the same price points as their predecessors, and will be launched at the end of January 2022.**

On these models, too, pre-heated air is available for the drying process as there is no vent ducting, making it possible to install these machines anywhere – even where a laundry is located in windowless rooms down in the cellar. The new models belong to the current Benchmark range of laundry machines and feature load capacities from 14 kg. For the first time, there is also a model with a 22 kg load capacity and a drum volume of 400 l.

High-performance compressors curtail programme cycles by up to 25% compared with previous models: the cycle time on a model with a 14 kg load capacity is reduced from 44 to 33 minutes. In addition to this, energy consumption is down by up to 20% compared with the previous generation. The new R450a coolant has only 42% of the global warming potential of the refrigerant it replaces.

All dryers are connectivity-enabled and offer the option of browsing operating data at any time via the Miele MOVE portal. This opens up further potential economies, allows programme data to be recorded and dispenses with unnecessary trips to check up on machines in the laundry: The portal sends a message to a smartphone, tablet or PC as soon as the dryer is ready for unloading.

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**Company profile:** Miele is the world's leading manufacturer of premium domestic appliances including cooking, baking and steam-cooking appliances, refrigeration products, coffee makers, dishwashers and laundry and floor care products. Their product portfolio also includes dishwashers, air purifiers, washing machines and tumble dryers for commercial use as well as washer-disinfectors and sterilisers for use in medical and laboratory applications (Miele Professional). Founded in 1899, the company has eight production plants in Germany, one each in Austria, the Czech Republic, China, Romania and Poland as well as two production plants belonging to its Italian medical technology subsidiary Steelco. Sales in the 2020 business year amounted to around € 4.5 bn (thereof 29.5% in Germany). Miele is represented with its own sales subsidiaries and via importers in almost 100 countries/regions. Throughout the world, the family-run enterprise, now in its fourth generation, employs a workforce of around 20,900, of which approx. 11,050 employees work in Germany. The company has its headquarters in Gütersloh in Westphalia.

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**Photo 1:** New heat-pump dryers are now available to match washing machines from the Benchmark generation (left). The energy-saving technology is located on the rear of the machines. (Photo: Miele)



**Photo 2:** The new Miele heat-pump dryers excel in terms of their short cycle times and reduced energy consumption. For the first time, they are now available with a 22 kg load capacity and a drum volume of 400 l. (Photo: Miele)

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