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Dispensing device for tablets

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Abstract (en)  
The present invention relates to a method for retaining a detergent tablet and dispensing a detergent tablet in a wash liquor of an automatic laundry or dish washing machine. The method comprises the following steps: (a) providing a dispensing device comprising a flexible and resilient cage structure in a flat configuration, wherein the cage structure is liquid permeable; (b) erecting the flexible cage structure from the flat configuration; (c) flexibly deforming the erected cage structure so that a detergent tablet is accepted and retained within the cage structure; (d) introducing a detergent tablet into the flexibly deformed dispensing device; (e) placing the dispensing device retaining the detergent tablet into an automatic laundry or dish washing machine for a washing cycle in which the wash liquor is caused to pass through the cage structure to dissolve and dispense the detergent tablet; and (f) reusing the dispensing device for another washing cycle whereby the cage structure is flexibly deformed to introduce a new detergent tablet. <IMAGE>

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