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(54) Non-cationic systems for dryer sheets

(57) The present invention relates to tumble dryer articles and a method of use thereof having a fabric conditioning composition providing anti-static, softening, stain removal, stain guard and anti-active build-up benefits in an automatic clothes dryer. The composition

comprises 25 to 100 wt.% of a specific class of crypto-anionic surfactants, 0 to 75 wt.% of a non-surfactant release aid 0 to 50 wt. % of an anionic surfactant and up to 25 wt.% of optional and miscellaneous ingredients. A process for preparing the composition is also described.



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