

WASHING MACHINE

ABSTRACT

A washing machine includes: a main body; a water receiver tub which is placed in the main body and has a rotatable washing/dewatering tub, inside thereof; a pulsator placed rotatably on a bottom portion of the washing/dewatering tub; and a fluid balancer provided at an upper portion of the washing/dewatering tub. Further, the washing machine includes a softening-agent automatic flow-out device which is placed in the fluid balancer and is adapted to flow, therefrom, a softening agent into the water receiver tub during a rinsing process; and a control portion adapted to control an operation including washing, rinsing and dewatering. Further, the washing machine includes a softening-agent introducing port which is provided in the fluid balancer and communicates with the softening-agent automatic flow-out device; a softening-agent introducing-port lid adapted to cover an opening portion of the softening-agent introducing port; and a bearing portion adapted to allow the softening-agent introducing-port lid to rotate, near the opening portion of the softening-agent introducing port.

Figure 1