Appliance Repair Costs in Hamilton: 2026 Guide

What Hamilton homeowners typically pay

Appliance	Typical Repair Range	When to Replace
Refrigerator	$150 to $600	Over 15 years or compressor failure
Washing machine	$100 to $400	Over 12 years or drum bearing failure
Dryer	$80 to $300	Over 12 years or motor failure
Dishwasher	$100 to $350	Over 10 years or control board failure
Oven / range	$100 to $400	Over 15 years or structural damage
Stove (element)	$60 to $200	Rarely — elements are cheap to replace

The 50% rule

If the repair cost is more than 50% of what a new appliance costs, and your unit is past half its expected lifespan, replacement is usually the better choice. Example: a $350 repair on a 10-year-old washer worth $700 new means the repair costs 50% of replacement. At that point, factor in age.

Hamilton-specific factors

Hard water in the Hamilton area accelerates limescale buildup in dishwashers and washing machines. This can shorten appliance lifespan by 2 to 3 years compared to soft-water regions. Regular descaling maintenance reduces early failures.

Quick checklist before calling a tech

- Check the appliance is plugged in and the circuit breaker has not tripped
- Look up the error code in the manual (most modern appliances display them)
- Clean the filter on washers and dishwashers (many "failures" are just clogs)
- Check if it is still under manufacturer warranty (usually 1 year)
- Get at least 2 quotes for repairs over $200