

CARE INSTRUCTIONS

HELPFUL HINTS

READ garment labels for care instructions.

SORT garments by color, type of fabric (wash lint producing with similar lint producing fabrics), garment construction (delicate vs. heavy fabrics) and amount of soil. Remove items from pockets.

TREAT soiled or stained garments before washing. Pretreat small oil and grease-based stains and spots immediately. Pretest stain remover for colorfastness on an inside side seam.

USE correct water temperature and wash cycle for type of fabric and amount of soil. Refer to the water temperature guide if garment does not contain care label. Follow package instructions for laundry care product and refer to owner's manual for information on your washing machine's special cycles.

NEVER use bleach, especially chlorine-based bleach, it can damage or yellow fabrics.

DRY per manufacturer's care label. Do not overload dryer. To reduce or prevent wrinkling remove clothes immediately from dryer. Clean lint filters after every use.

WATER TEMPERATURE GUIDE Water temperature affects general care, cleaning, wrinkling, and dye loss of garment. If care label does not state water temperature, follow these general guidelines and laundry detergent package instructions. Detergents clean better in warm or hot water. Rinse all wash loads in cold water to save energy and prevent wrinkling; this will not affect the cleaning process.

TURN your shirt inside out before washing and drying to minimize wear on the outside and to prevent color loss. When line drying, put bright colors in the shade.

BE CAREFUL not to over dry when machine drying. Over drying can cause wrinkling, puckering, harshness and excessive shrinkage. You can prevent over drying by tumble drying only to the damp stage, then hang on a clothes hanger for final air drying.

EMERGENCY CARE

GREASY SPOTS (ie. salad dressing, fat, oil or cream): Pretreat with a liquid detergent or spot remover.

RED WINE: Sprinkle salt on the stain, add some water and rub. Put in normal wash as quickly as possible.

BALLPOINT INK: Spray with hair spray, then flush with water. Put in normal wash as quickly as possible.

OTHER FOOD OR BEVERAGE SPILLS: Dip a napkin in club soda and sponge the spot.

PROTEIN BASED SPOTS(ie. milk, cheese, catsup or mustard): Add pre-soak to the wash water before adding the uniform. Garment should be given a cold water soak, then a normal wash.

GREEN VEGETABLES, TEMPERA PAINT, BEETS, COLOR BLEEDING, SOFT DRINKS CONTAINING DYE, CHERRIES, BLUING, CARROTS, FELT TIP PEN INK, MUSTARD: Gently rub liquid detergent into the stain, thoroughly rinse and soak in solution of all fabric powdered bleach and water. If stain does not come out, try a solution of liquid chlorine bleach(if it is fabric safe). Garment should then be put through normal wash.

CARBON TYPEWRITER RIBBON, PINE RESIN, CANDLE WAX, TAR, FURNITURE POLISH, LIPSTICK, EYE MAKEUP, CARBON PAPER, FLOOR WAX, SHOW POLISH, CRAYON: Dry cleaning solvent is to be sponged or sprayed on before rubbing gently with heavy duty liquid detergent for oily or waxy stains. Bleach solutions safe for the fabric is used to treat dye stains. Garment is then given normal wash.

DEODORANT: Apply heavy duty liquid detergent, then wash in warm water. Aluminum or zinc salt build-ups may be impossible to remove.

PERSPIRATION: Apply heavy duty liquid detergent or soak in warm water with a presoak product or 15-30 minutes before putting in a normal wash.

LEAD PENCIL: Lift excess off with art-gum eraser without hard rubbing. Apply prewash aerosol product and rub in heavy duty detergent. Rinse in warm water, then put through a normal wash.

RUST: Requires a commercial rust remover.