FR GARMENT FABRIC CARE

Care & Cleaning Information for Flame Resistant Garments

(FR) garments are made from an inherently FR blend of synthetic and natural fiber. These garments must be laundered separately at temperatures not to exceed 140ºF (60ºC) and may also be dry cleaned.

Flame resistant garments should be removed immediately and replaced with clean FR apparel if they become fouled with flammable materials.

HOME WASH

- Wash separately in a Normal or Cotton cycle at any water temperature up to a maximum of 140ºF (60ºC). Use any typical home laundry detergent. Do not use soap (tallow soap containing animal fats).
  - **Do not use chlorine bleach or liquid nonchlorine bleach.**
- **Turn garments inside out before wash to reduce streaking from abrasion. Fill the washer no more than 2/3 full and use high water level.**
- It is important that all soils and other contaminants are completely removed from garments during the wash process. This may require the use of stain removal products, such as Shout® or Spray 'n Wash®; or presoaking garments prior to washing. The use of hot water can often make detergents more effective in the removal of soils. If all contaminants cannot be removed in home care, garments should be dry cleaned.
  - The use of conditioned or soft water can help improve removal of contaminants from garments. Hard water precipitates soaps and can result in the build-up of calcium and magnesium salts. These can serve as fuel in the event they are exposed to a source of ignition.
  - Starch, fabric softeners, and other laundry additives are not recommended because they can coat fibers and mask FR performance, or serve as fuel in case of garment ignition.
  - Do not over dry garments. If desired, you may press with an iron on the Permanent Press/Low setting.

DRY CLEAN

- Either perchloroethylene or petroleum solvent may be used.

REPAIR & MENDING

- Minor repairs that do not affect the integrity of the garment may be made with like materials by either heat sealing or sewing on patches or darning small holes.