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New Guide to Apparel Care Symbols

Washing Symbols

- * Wash in domestic or commercial machine in water not exceeding 30°C, at delicate/gentle setting.
- * Wash gently by hand in water not exceeding 30°C.
- Wash in domestic or commercial machine at any temperature, at normal setting.
- * Wash gently by hand in water not exceeding 40°C.
- Do not wash.
- Wash in domestic or commercial machine in water not exceeding 30°C, at normal setting.
- Wash in domestic or commercial machine in water not exceeding 30°C, at permanent press setting.
- Wash in domestic or commercial machine in water not exceeding 40°C, at normal setting.
- Wash in domestic or commercial machine in water not exceeding 40°C, at permanent press setting.
- Wash in domestic or commercial machine in water not exceeding 40°C, at delicate/gentle setting.
- Wash in domestic or commercial machine in water not exceeding 50°C, at normal setting.
- Wash in domestic or commercial machine in water not exceeding 50°C, at permanent press setting.
- Wash in domestic or commercial machine in water not exceeding 50°C, at delicate/gentle setting.
- Wash in domestic or commercial machine in water not exceeding 60°C, at normal setting.
- Wash in domestic or commercial machine in water not exceeding 60°C, at permanent press setting.
- Wash in domestic or commercial machine in water not exceeding 70°C, at normal setting.
- Wash in commercial machine in water not exceeding 95°C, at normal setting.
- Wash in commercial machine in water not exceeding 95°C, at permanent press setting.

***These are the symbols used most commonly by RW&CO.**

Drying Symbols

- * After extraction of excess water, line dry/hang to dry.
- * After extraction of excess water, dry the article on a suitable flat surface.
- Tumble dry any heat.
- Do not tumble dry.
- * Tumble dry at low heat (not exceeding 55°C) at permanent press setting.
- Tumble dry at a low heat (not exceeding 55°C) at delicate cycle
- Tumble dry at medium heat (not exceeding 65°C) at normal setting.
- Tumble dry at medium heat (not exceeding 65°C) at permanent press setting.
- Tumble dry at high heat (not exceeding 75°C) at normal setting.
- Tumble dry no heat/air dry.
- Dry in the shade (symbol added to line dry, drip dry, or dry flat).
- Hang up the soaking wet article to "drip" dry.
- Do not dry. (To be used with "Do not wash" symbol).

Ironing/Pressing Symbols

- * Iron with or without steam by hand, or press on commercial equipment, at a low temperature (not exceeding 110°C). Recommended temperature for acetate, acrylic, modacrylic, nylon, polypropylene and spandex textiles.
- Iron with or without steam by hand, or press on commercial equipment, at a medium temperature (not exceeding 150°C). Recommended temperature for polyester, rayon, silk, triacetate and wool textiles.
- * Do not iron or press.
- Iron with or without steam by hand, or press on commercial equipment, at a high temperature (not exceeding 200°C). Recommended temperature for cotton and linen textiles.
- Do not steam.

Use of Dots For Defining Temperature of Water for Washing

- 95°C Near boil
- 50°C Hot
- 70°C Extremely hot
- 40°C Warm
- 60°C Very hot
- 30°C Cool

Supplementary Care Symbols

- Do not wring
- W Wet-clean
- Do not wet-clean

Bleaching Symbols

- * Do not bleach.
- Use any bleach when needed.
- Use only non-chlorine bleach when needed.

Professional Textile Care Symbols

- * P Dry-clean, normal cycle. Any solvent except trichloroethylene.
- F Dry-clean, normal cycle. Petroleum solvent only.
- Do not dry-clean.

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