

# Washing instructions

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The "High Visibility clothing" is standardised according to the EU directive 98/686/EEG and has a care instruction that is provided with every garment. Some general (washing) advice is also given in this instruction.

## General:

- By following the washing and maintenance instructions, you extend the garment's life span and maintain its protective qualities. Preferably to be carried-out at a professional industrial laundry.
- Wash Hi-Vis clothing separately and sort the washing preferably by colour and/or dirtiness.
- Wash clothing regularly to prevent fixation of stains. Never store dirty clothing. The clothing must never be stored in solvents, washing solutions, disinfectant or stain removing products.
- Use for coloured clothing a washing detergent without optical brightener.
- Accessories: To prevent damage during washing (and pressing), close the zipper and Velcro closures.
- Do NOT iron the reflective tape and heat seal emblems.
- Over-drying must be avoided (switching off the tumble dryer when the clothing is dry). This can be damaging for the fabric with excessive shrinking as a result.
- Please note that the dryer is not overloaded and that the exhaust temperature has a maximum of 80° C.

## Washing symbols Domestic wash on label:



Deviations from these symbols are possible, because of the lining or haberdasheries for example. Read the label in your garment which washing instructions are applicable. The label also indicates the maximum number of washing cycles after which the efficiency of the reflective and fluorescent material was tested. This is generally after 50 washing cycles. If no maximum is mentioned on the label, the material was tested after 5 washing cycles.

## Industrial washing ISO 15797: 75°C

## Specific for water repellent clothing

To keep the repellent properties, a few recommendations apply:

- Wash clothing with a water repellent finish separately.
- It is important that all residue of washing detergents from previous rinses have been removed. Soap remains can have a negative influence on the repellency.
- Do not use fabric softeners
- Ironing provides a positive contribution to re-activation of the repellent properties. (please note: do NOT iron emblems and reflective tape).
- The repellent properties will diminish after a number of washing cycles. To maintain these repellent properties, the fluorocarbon finish must be re-applied at your laundry service after every 5 washing cycles (but may be done after every cycle). These agents are added during the final rinse. Ask your supplier of washing detergents for the right products and instructions.