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Laundering Specifications & Instructions for all Polyurethane Products

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IMPORTANT: TOP DOG polyurethane products will NOT any absorb fluids or substances at all. The polyurethane has outstanding anti-microbial qualities against bacteria. Household concentration bleach will NOT harm the product or discolor it in any way.

CLEANING and DISINFECTING

Cleaning and disinfecting is easily done by either using a regular clothes washing machine or through a dip and hang air-dry process.

Regular Washing Machine Application

- Place product in the washing machine in either cold or hot water, depending upon your protocols
- Add bleach or any other disinfectant and soaps to the desired concentration levels, depending upon your protocols,
- Run the full regular wash cycle; use the heavy duty cycle, if the substance on the surface of the product is particularly sticky
- If substance is dried onto to the surface of the product, successive quick and hard snapping/shaking of the product will usually cause the dried substance to fall off of the surface. This will reduce the amount of foreign substance that will potentially clog the washing machine or make the water extra dirty, thereby reducing the effectiveness of the washing machine process
- If the foreign substance is a **flour-based paste-like material**, pre-soak the product for 15 minutes before placing in the washing machine. Product like sleeves may need to be turned inside out and presoaked a second time
- A heavy concentration of a flour-based paste-like material on the product will very likely require two or more washings to ensure that the flour-based paste-like material is completely eliminated from the surface of the product. Product like sleeves may need to be turned inside out and washed one more time depending upon the amount of flour-based paste-like material present. The flour-based paste-like material becomes an outstanding glue when wet and will cause the polyurethane to stick together if any of it remains on the product surface after washing
- The spin cycle will remove all, but very little, of the surface water on the product; hang to product on hooks or hangars to air dry; if necessary, keeping the product from touching a wall or each other will speed up the drying time

Dip and Hang to Air-Dry Application

- Dip, and swish the product around well, in a drum of cleaning/disinfectant fluid, depending upon your protocols
- A heavy concentration of a flour-based paste-like material on the product will very likely require two or more washings to ensure that the flour-based paste-like material is completely eliminated from the surface of the product (see more details above on this type of cleaning challenge)
- Hang to product on hooks or hangars to air dry; keeping the product from touching a wall or each other will speed up the drying time

DRYING USING A DRYER – If heat is required - maximum temperature cannot exceed 82c

- Set dryer on "air fluff" cycle and tumble for 10-15 minutes to remove the remaining surface water after the spin cycle in the washing machine is completed
- If heat is a required protocol, set dryer on regular heat cycle for 10-15 minutes
- If the dryer drum sides has a hot spot(s), place the product in a laundry mesh bag to keep the product from touching these hot spots; otherwise, the product may be damaged from coming in contact with these hot spots

LAUNDERING SPECIFICATIONS & INSTRUCTIONS FOR PU SANITATION GLOVES

Cleaning the inside of the fingers/the glove is challenging if the glove is donned after hands are filthy. If this should occur, it would be our recommendation that the gloves be washed by hand in warm soapy water. Firstly, immersing the glove totally in the warm soapy water to fill the glove 75%. Then tightly close off the opening of the glove with one hand and shaking the glove vigorously to cause the filth to come off of the surface of the PU. Rinse and do this a few times until the glove is clean. Secondly, wash the exterior of the glove in the warm soapy water with the gloves on. Tumble the gloves in a dryer on "fluff cycle - no heat" or hang the gloves upside down by using clothespins on the tips of two fingers.