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# Guide to Apparel and Textile Care Symbols



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# Washing Symbols



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.



Wash in domestic or commercial machine in water not exceeding 70°C, at normal 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 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 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 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 30°C, at delicate/gentle setting.



Wash gently by hand in water not exceeding 40°C.



Wash gently by hand in water not exceeding 30°C.



Wash in domestic or commercial machine at any temperature, at normal setting.



Do not wash.



## Bleaching Symbols

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Use any bleach when needed.



Do not bleach.



Use only non-chlorine bleach when needed.

## Drying Symbols

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Tumble dry at high heat (not exceeding 75°C) at normal setting.



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.



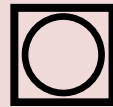
Tumble dry at low heat (not exceeding 55°C) at permanent press setting.



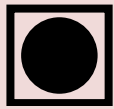
## Drying Symbols



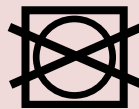
Tumble dry at a low heat  
(not exceeding 55°C) at  
delicate cycle



Tumble dry any heat.



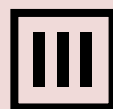
Tumble dry no heat/air dry.



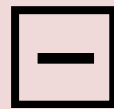
Do not tumble dry.



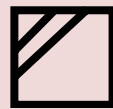
After extraction of excess  
water, line dry/hang to dry.



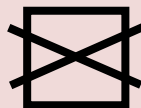
Hang up the soaking wet  
article to "drip" dry.



After extraction of excess  
water, dry the article on a  
suitable flat surface.



Dry in the shade (sym-  
bol added to line dry,  
drip dry, or dry flat).



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 high temperature (not exceeding 200°C). *Recommended temperature for cotton and linen 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.*



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.*



Do not steam.



Do not iron or press.

## Professional Textile Care Symbols



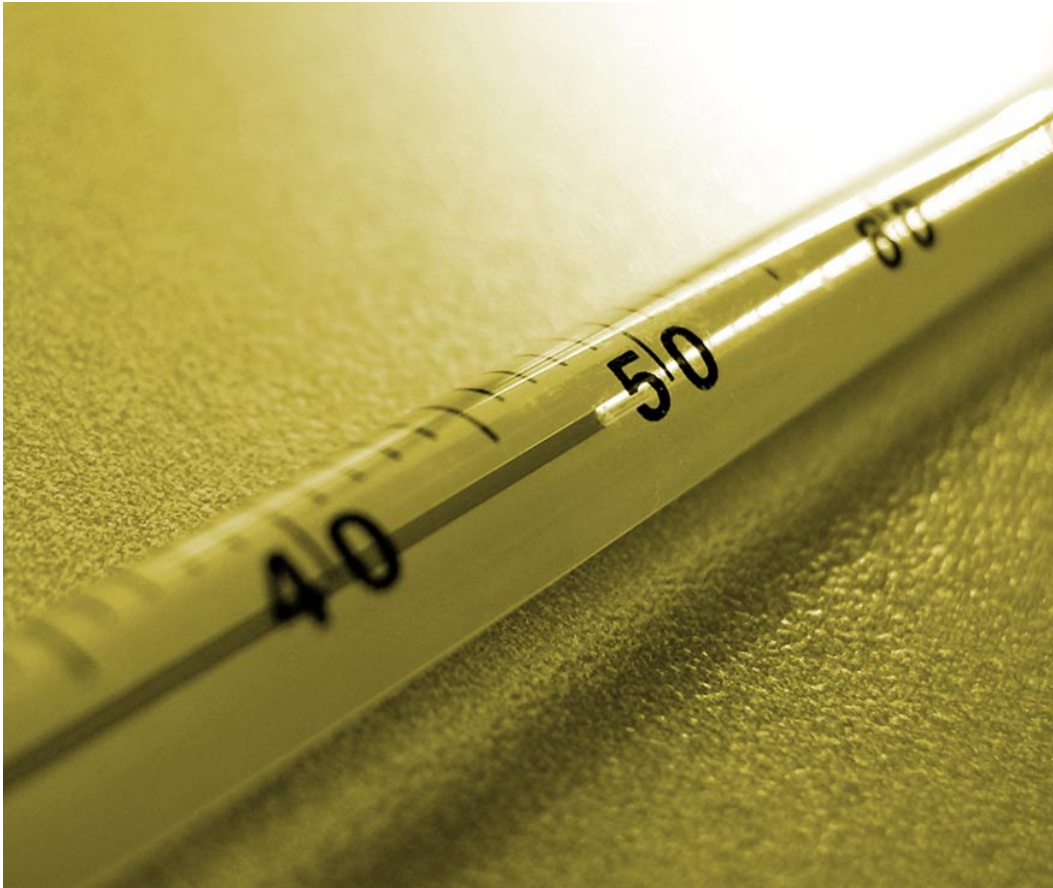
Dry-clean, normal cycle. *Any solvent except trichloroethylene.*



Dry-clean, normal cycle. *Petroleum solvent only.*



Do not dry-clean.



Use of Dots For Defining  
**Temperature of Water** Symbols  
 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



Wet-clean



Do not wet-clean

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