















GUIDE TO COMMON HOME LAUNDERING AND DRYCLEANING SYMBOLS

DOS/WIN Code Ref#	Care Symbol	Written Care Instructions	What Care Symbol and Instructions Mean
Wash MW_Norm		Machine Wash, Normal	Garment may be laundered through the use of hottest available water, detergent or soap, agitation, and a machine designed for this purpose.
MW30C		Machine Wash, Cold	Initial water temperature should not exceed 30C or 65 to 85F.
MW40C		Machine Wash, Warm	Initial water temperature should not exceed 40C or 105F.
MW50C		Machine Wash, Hot	Initial water temperature should not exceed 50C or 120F.
MW60C		Machine Wash, Hot	Initial water temperature should not exceed 60C or 140F.
MW70C		Machine Wash, Hot	Initial water temperature should not exceed 70C or 160F.
MW95C		Machine Wash, Hot	Initial water temperature should not exceed 95C or 200F.
MW_Pres		Machine Wash, Permanent Press	Garment may be machine laundered only on the setting designed to preserve Permanent Press with cool down or cold rinse prior to reduced spin.
MW_Gentl		Machine Wash, Gentle or Delicate	Garment may be machine laundered only on the setting designed for gentle agitation and/or reduced time for delicate items.
Hndw		Hand Wash	Garment may be laundered through the use of water, detergent or soap and gentle hand manipulation.
W_DoNot		Do Not Wash	Garment may not be safely laundered by any process. Normally accompanied by Dry Clean instructions.
Bleach			
B_Any		Bleach When Needed	Any commercially available bleach product may be used in the laundering process.
B_NonChl		Non-Chlorine Bleach When Needed	Only a non-chlorine, color-safe bleach may be used in the laundering process. Chlorine bleach may not be used.
B_DoNt_S		Do Not Bleach	No bleach product may be used. The garment is not colorfast or structurally able to withstand any bleach.

NOTE:
SYSTEM OF DOTS INDICATING TEMPERATURE RANGE IS THE SAME FOR ALL WASH PROCEDURES.

NOTE:
All (98+%) washable textiles are safe in some type of bleach. IF BLEACH IS NOT MENTIONED OR REPRESENTED BY A SYMBOL ANY BLEACH MAY BE USED.

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Dry TD_Nor		Tumble Dry, Normal	A machine dryer may be regularly used at the hottest available temperature setting.
TD_Nor_L		Tumble Dry, Normal, Low Heat	A machine dryer may be regularly used at a maximum of Low Heat setting.
TD_Nor_M		Tumble Dry, Normal, Medium Heat	A machine dryer may be regularly used at a maximum of Medium Heat setting.
TD_Nor_H		Tumble Dry, Normal, High Heat	A machine dryer may be regularly used at a High Heat setting.
TD_NoHet		Tumble Dry, Normal, No Heat	A machine dryer may be regularly used only at No Heat or Air Only setting.
TD_PP		Tumble Dry, Permanent Press	A machine dryer may be regularly used only at the Permanent Press setting.
TD_Gen_L		Tumble Dry, Gentle	A machine dryer may be regularly used only at the Gentle setting.
TD_DoNot		Do Not Tumble Dry	A machine dryer may not be used. Usually accompanied by an alternate drying method symbol.
Dr_DoNot		Do Not Dry	A machine dryer may not be used. Usually accompanied by an alternate drying method symbol.
Dry_Line		Line Dry	Hang damp garment from line or bar, in or out doors.
Dr_Drip		Drip Dry	Hang dripping wet garment from line or bar, in or out doors, without hand shaping or smoothing
D_r_Flat		Dry Flat	Lay out horizontally for drying.
Dr_Shade		Dry In Shade	Usually added to Line or Drip Dry. Dry away from direct sunlight.
Wring Wr_DoNot		Do Not Wring	Do not wring.

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Iron Ir_Tall		Iron, Any Temperature, Steam or Dry	Regular ironing may be needed and may be performed at any available temperature with or without steam is acceptable.
Ir_Tall_L		Iron, Low	Regular ironing, steam or dry, may be performed at Low setting (110C, 230F) only.
Ir_Tall_M		Iron, Medium	Regular ironing, steam or dry, may be performed at Medium setting (150C, 300F).
Ir_Tall_H		Iron, High	Regular ironing, steam or dry, may be performed at High setting (200C, 290F).
Ir_NoStm		Do Not Steam	Steam ironing will harm garment, but regular dry ironing at indicated temperature setting is acceptable.
Ir_DoNt		Do Not Iron	Item may not be smoothed or finished with an iron.

NOTE
SYSTEM OF DOTS INDICATING TEMPERATURE RANGE IS THE SAME FOR ALL IRONING PROCEDURES.

NOTE: IF IRONING IS NOT A NECESSARY, REGULAR CARE PROCEDURE IT NEED NOT BE MENTIONED.

Dryclean DC_Circle		Dryclean	Dry Clean, any solvent, any cycle any moisture, any heat.
DC_A		Dryclean, Any Solvent	Dry Clean, any solvent. Usually used with other restrictions on proper dry cleaning procedure.
DC_F		Dryclean, Petroleum Solvent Only	Dry Clean using only petroleum solvent. Usually used with other restrictions.
DC_P		Dryclean, Any Solvent Except Trichloroethylene	Any dry cleaning solvent other than trichloroethylene may be safely used.
DC_S_Cyc		Dryclean, Short Cycle	May be used with A, P, or F solvent restriction.
DC_RMois		Dryclean, Reduced Moisture	May be used with A, P, or F solvent restriction.
DC_LHet		Dryclean, Low heat	May be used with A, P, or F solvent restriction.
DC_NSt		Dryclean, No Steam	May be used with A, P, or F solvent restriction.
DC_DoNot		Do Not Dryclean	Garment may not be commercially drycleaned.