

Wear & Care

Your uniform will last much longer if you follow these simple recommendations:

L'Hotelier recommends that you follow the care instructions on the label of all garments in order to maximize the look and life of your garment.

- Don't** Use more than the recommended amount of washing powder / liquid.
- Don't** Use laundry powders / liquids that contain bleaches and/or perborate as this will discolor garments.
- Don't** Mix colored garments with white ones when washing.
- Don't** Soak your garment.
- Don't** Tumble dry constantly on high heat.

- Do** Gentle machine wash only.
- Do** Use a reputable brand of laundry powder / liquid.
- Do** Disperse the laundry powder / liquid in water before adding garments to the machine.
- Do** Be aware that using fabric softeners may result in fabric color change.
- Do** Treat stains quickly and never rub – this may push the stain further into the fabric fibers.
- Do** Rinse well as residue soaps can affect fabric fibers.
- Do** Use a warm iron and only if necessary use hot iron with a cover cloth when ironing to prevent shine.
- Do** Line drying, as it is always the best choice since a hot dryer shortens the life of the fabric. However, if you use the dryer, set the controls on delicate.

REMEMBER – uniforms are worn far more frequently than your other clothes. Careful laundry and dry cleaning practice is imperative to keep them looking good for longer.

Care Instructions for Embroidered Garments

1. HOME LAUNDERING

- All embroidered garments should be washed with a mild detergent
- Do not use chlorine bleach or optical brightening agents

- If bleach is required for washing, use non-chlorine bleach in accordance with product instructions
- Machine wash cold water
- Delicate wash cycle
- If color residue appears in water, rinse first in lukewarm water and then cold several times until rinse water becomes clear
- Remove promptly after wash cycle completion
- Never leave any piece of embroidered clothing soaking or in water or lying in a pile when wet
- Do not wring out the embroidered articles
- Do not rub stained embroidery

2. DRY CLEANING

- Embroidery may be dry cleaned, however, extreme care should be exercised when dry cleaning. Special care must be taken when dark shades are dry cleaned. Avoid use of pre-spotting agents.

3. INDUSTRIAL LAUNDERING

- Garments that are embroidered can be industrially laundered when proper procedures are followed as outlined by the International Fabricare Institute. Embroidery may be dry cleaned, however, extreme care should be exercised when dry cleaning. Special care must be taken when dark shades are dry cleaned. Avoid use of pre-spotting agents.

4. IRONING

- Embroidered fabrics should always be ironed on the reverse side
- It is recommended to iron embroidery between two pieces of cloth
- It is not recommended to wet embroidery prior to ironing or to use a steam iron

Note: Normally the care label instructions pertain to the garment, not the embroidery. Special care should be taken when laundering embroidered garments.