

CESARIO UNIFORM CARE GUIDE

THE CESARIO COLLECTION OF BAND UNIFORMS IS PERORMANCE WEAR MADE FOR EASY CARE, COMFORT, AND DURABILITY.

LAUNDERING

Jackets and Bib Pants:

Jackets and bib pants are made of completely washable poly-gabardine. Machine wash and dry on the gentle/knit cycle in **cold** water. **Never wash in hot water!!!!**

Caution: Do NOT use a hot dryer setting! A hot dryer setting will remove the press. Use a cool setting. When dried on a cool setting, uniforms will require very little touch up. **Remove them from the dryer and place on a hanger immediately. Touch up pressing on extended shoulders and collars should be done after each wash.** Touch up pressing on pants with a warm iron may be desired occasionally, or the **pants** may be professionally pressed after several washings and dryings.

Be sure to dry garments completely before storing.

Do not use liquid fabric softener on Cesario band uniforms! If a softener sheet is required, use only 1 sheet while drying.

If a stain does occur, sponge with water or treat with an appropriate product before it has time to set and before laundering. **(See stain removal “Quick Reference” guide)** You may use “Spray and Wash” and other **non-chlorine** stain removers when washing. **Use only non-chlorine detergent!** Many detergents are harsh and have a beaching ingredient that will cause even colorfast fabric to migrate.

Garments or Pieces with VELCRO:

Make certain that the hook side of the Velcro is not exposed when laundering uniforms to avoid a “picking” of the fabric.

Extended Shoulders (Wings) and Collars:

If jackets have extended shoulders or wings, fold them back onto the shoulder during washing and drying. Also do this when transporting uniforms. Folding allows them to hold their shape much better. **Steam pressing shoulders and collars is required to retain their proper shape and appearance due to heat bonded interfacings.**

Gauntlets:

The gauntlets may be washed on a gentle cycle and dried on a permanent press setting in a dryer following the same washing instructions provided for the coat and bib pants.

Make sure to hook the Velcro closure together when laundering in a machine to avoid picking of the fabric.

Plaques:

The plaques are made from specialty or **unique fabrics** (luster brass). These **must be hand-washed** in cold water then towel dried to remove excess water. They should lie flat to dry. Only wash the plaque if it is absolutely necessary. Take care when storing the plaques because they can crease if folded. Make sure they are flat and preferably attached to the coat. **Do not under any circumstances ever iron the plaque!**

GENERAL PRECAUTIONS AND FYI:

Buttons:

Buttons are tack-back buttons. The top of the button is plated brass which will not rust. The back and tacks have a rust resistant coating.

Precaution:

NO perfume, deodorant, or hair spray should be sprayed on or next to garments. The residue from these items will cause a build up on the fabric or sequins causing them to lose their luster. Excess friction of Velcro with the fabric may pick the fabric. "Picks" are easily removed with an electric beard trimmer or tool designed for this use.

Important:

Make any repairs as needed. Repair of minor seam rips or loosening of trim must be taken care of before the problem gets worse.

Dry Cleaning:

Can garments be dry cleaned? Yes, but we **do not recommend it**. Colors remain brighter with machine washing and chemicals used in dry-cleaning can often affect the material from which the uniforms are made. **Never dry clean the plaques!**

STORAGE:

Never stack or store a damp or wet garment from water or from perspiration. Do not place in a plastic bag. Let it dry out first. All garments are washable, unless otherwise stated. However, this does not mean that careful care and repair are not necessary. It is extremely important that the uniforms are properly hung and dried after each time they are worn.

PROPER WASHING AND GENERAL MAINTENANCE WILL ADD LIFE TO ALL YOUR PERFORMANCE WEAR AND ALWAYS KEEP YOU'RE THE UNIFORM LOOKING FRESH AND PREPARED.