

### Washing Instructions for Leather Clothing

In principle, it is possible to wash almost every kind of leather in the washing machine with **Leatherwash** Hand & Washing Machine Concentrate for Leather Clothing. If one keeps the temperature luke-warm or lower (under 35° (95°F), just like washing wool), and follows the instructions, the leather will be clean, guaranteed soft and will not shrink.

Before washing please note:

- Heavily soiled garments or fatty collars, cuffs etc. should be pre-soaked in luke-warm water and the problem areas pre-treated with the Wash Concentrate and a soft brush.
- With leather garments made of more than one colour of leather or of a mixture of leather and textile or with a light coloured lining, some colour-bleeding can occur. In such cases always soak in **Leather Fixative** before washing.
- Never wash two different garments together.
- Always wash the two or three parts of a dress or trouser suit together.
- Some garments are faded or scuffed but this is hidden by the soiling. This can become visible after cleaning.
- There are leather types being sold where the dyes have not been fixed to the fibre. Others are coated with oils or waxes. Such garments will be clean after washing but will have a changed surface or appearance.
- Loose buttons or too loosely sewn decorative applications must be removed or secured before washing.
- Sheepskins with a white underside: Always cut off a small piece and wash it as a test. If it becomes hard it is a kind of tanning, sometimes used for sheepskins, that is washed out in water. In such cases do not wash!

## Leather-Fixative (100 ml) Pre-Treatment

Leather-Textile-Mixture, multi-coloured garments  
Leather garments: black, red, blue, bordeaux and green

} Always pre-soak in a tub with **Leather-Fixative**

**What does it do?** It fixes tannins, colours and fats preventing them from being washed out. Use before washing.



- Use in a tub, not in the washing machine.
- Add ½ bottle to approx. 10 litres luke-warm water max. 30° C (until covered).
- Motorcycle suits: use a full bottle.
- Put in the garment and soak thoroughly for approx. 60 minutes, moving occasionally.
- Without rinsing put it into the washing machine.

Careful: The product contains natural volatile acids. Avoid skin contact, use rubber gloves. Wash off skin or eyes with generous amounts of water. Keep away from children.

## Hand Washing Leather Clothing

Suited for hand washing all suede and napa leathers, jackets, coats, shirts, trousers, motorcycle suits, gloves.



Hand wash: depending on the garment size 1/3 – ½, bottle approx. 12 litres of luke-warm water. Cover the garment. Keep the temperature under 35°C (95°F)

Complete motorcycle suit or large coat, use 1 bottle and enough water to cover. Soak for about 30 minutes and wash by hand, treat heavy soiling with a soft brush. When clean remove and rinse once in clean hand-warm water.

Surface Cleaning: thin concentrate 1:50 and wipe surface or use a brush.

## Machine Washing

Use only in the 'Delicate-Wash' or Wool program. Not over 35°C (95°F). For all suede and grain leather such as jackets, coats, shirts, trousers, motorcycle clothing and gloves. Also ideal for leather-textile combinations.



Depending on garment size add 1/3 – 1/2 bottle to the machine. Motorcycle suits or large coats will need one whole bottle. Heavy soiling: soak for 1 hour and pre-treat with a soft brush dipped in concentrate.



Wash with the 'Delicate Wash' or Wool program. Not over 35°C (95°F). At the end of the wash-cycle just spin for about 30 seconds.



Remove the wet garment, shake and stretch out the folds. Hang or lay the wet garment on a towel at room temperature away from sun or heat. This can sometimes take several days, depending on the leather ... but it's worth it!



Important: Never dry in a drier or with heat!



After drying, the leather fibres are stuck together, So when dry, pull and stretch the garment into shape in all directions and if needed cold tumble (inside out), for about 15 - 30 minutes, with no heat whatsoever! Nubuck and suede should finally be brushed up with a soft dry brush.

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