Cleaning Guide



Pattern: Structure-X

AC#: **33290X - 33297X**

Content: 97% FR PCR Polyester

3% X-STATIC® Silver Antimicrobial Fiber



General Cleaning Recommendation:

- Load Fabric into washer (Do Not Overload).
- Use the usual hospital protocol (rinse, drain, etc.), for washing cubicles and note maximum temperature of 200°F
- Detergent with a maximum pH not to exceed 12.
- Oxidative bleaching agents should not be used as these will damage X-Static silver antimicrobial fiber. These include sodium, hypochlorite, hydrogen peroxide, and per(oxy)acetic acid (PAA).
- A thorough rinse is essential to remove traces of surfactant, as residual detergent will adversely affect the
 X-Static silver antimicrobial.
- Do not overload washer or dryer.
- Fabric softeners should not be used.
- Always ensure that the fabric is thoroughly dried with heat. The dryer exhaust temperature should not exceed 200°F.
- Washers and dryers should be inspected regularly to ensure there are no rough spots that could damage the fabric.
- As is the usual procedure with laundering synthetic cubicle curtains, after the dry cycle is complete, curtains should be quickly removed to avoid over exposure to the heated drying cam.
- Silver is a natural element and may tarnish. This does not affect the biocidal properties of the material.
- Always process one single cubicle first before processing bulk cubicles. A thorough examination &
 evaluation of the test cubicle should be reviewed to make sure that the proper results are attained.

List of Incompatible Chemicals for Use With X-Static Silver Antimicrobial Fiber

The Table below contains a general list of chemicals that are incompatible for use with X-Static filament or staple fibers. While this list is not comprehensive, it does reference the most common chemicals used in processing, dyeing, finishing and laundering that are incompatible with the X-Static technology.

Incompatible Chemicals	Effect on X-Static Silver Antimicrobial Fiber	Impact on End-Use Requirement	Recommended Substitutes
Sulfur Powder	Sulfur degrades X-Static	Potential issue with consistency of color, luster Potential issue with reduction in thermal and electrical properties	Non-sulfur powder-containing chemicals Non-sulfur-containing atmosphere (that is, away from high vehicle exhaust areas)
Ammonium Sulfide	Sulfur containing compounds degrade X-Static	Potential issue with consistency of color, luster Potential issue with reduction in thermal and electrical properties	Non-ammonium sulfide- containing chemicals
Sodium Hypochlorite (Household Bleach)	Sodium hypochlorite degrades X-Static	Potential issue with consistency of color, luster Potential issue with reduction in thermal and electrical properties	Non hypochlorite-containing cleaning agents
Chlorine Gas	Chlorine degrades X-Static	Potential issue with consistency of color, luster Potential issue with reduction in thermal and electrical properties	Non-hypochlorite-containing cleaning agents
All Strong Acids	Strong acids degrade, dissolve and oxidize X-Static	Potential issue with consistency of color, luster Potential issue with reduction in thermal and electrical properties	Alternate process that does not expose X-Static to strong acids
Strong Oxidizing Agents	Strong oxidizing agents, degrade, dissolve and oxidize X-Static	Potential issue with consistency of color, luster Potential issue with reduction in thermal and electrical properties	Alternate process that does not expose X-Static to strong oxidizing agents
Sodium Silicate	Sodium Silicate reacts with X-Static	Visual color change Deposits of orange yellow precipitate of silver silicate on substrate	Magnesium salts of ethyl- enediamine tatra acetic acid (EDTA) and tetrasodium pyrophosphate (TSPP)
Sodium Hydrosulfite (Sodium Dithionite)	Degrades X-Static and effects overall hue of fabric	Potential issue with consistency of color, luster Potential "tea stains" on finished fabric Potential uniform change in hue (towards brown) Potential issue with reduction in thermal and electrical properties	Non hydrosulfite reducing agents such as isopropyl alcohol

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