## CARE SYMBOLS



The five symbols above are the basis of the standard and relate to: Washing, Bleaching, Drying, Ironing, and Professional Cleansing. They should be used in the order shown here.

The sixth symbol:



is superimposed over any of the others to indicate that the process should NOT be done. Temperatures, agitation, and solvents are indicated by figures, bars, dots and letters according to rules set out in BS EN ISO 3758.

The symbols indicated in the standard are identified on the inside of this document.

Symbols should be of a suitable size to be easily read and when attached to the product be reproduced in a form that will survive the indicated processes for the life of the product.

Items bearing the care symbols must survive the processes indicated and this may be treated as a promotional claim. Most of the characteristics likely to be effected by care and cleaning processes can be verified through appropriate international standard test methods.

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Additional text instructions may also be used; for example where cleaning advice is required with flame retardants on children's nightwear.

There are further specific requirements relating to symbols and labelling in a number of territories including the USA and Japan

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- National Children's Wear Association

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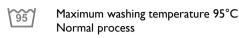




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### **WASHING**



Maximum washing temperature 60°C Normal process

Maximum washing temperature 40°C Normal process

Maximum washing temperature 30°C Normal process

Maximum washing temperature 60°C Mild process

Maximum washing temperature 40°C Mild process

Maximum washing temperature 30°C Mild process

Maximum washing temperature 40°C Very mild process

Maximum washing temperature 30°C Very mild process

Maximum washing temperature 40°C Wash by hand

Do not Wash

### BLEACHING

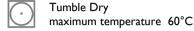
Any Bleaching Agent

only oxygen/non-chlorine bleach allowed

Do Not Bleach



### **DRYING**



Tumble Dry maximum temperature 80°C

Do Not Tumble Dry

Natural drying on a Line

| || Natural Drip drying on a Line

Natural Line drying in the Shade

Natural Drip Line drying in the Shade

- Natural drying Flat

Natural Drip drying flat

Natural drying Flat in Shade

Natural Drip drying Flat in Shade



### **IRONING**

Iron at maximum sole-plate temperature of

Iron at maximum sole-plate temperature of 150°C

Iron at maximum sole-plate temperature of 200°C

Do Not Iron



### **PROFESSIONAL CLEANING**

Do not dry clean

Dry Clean using tetrachloroethene (perchloroethylene) and all solvents listed for the symbol F

P Normal process

P Mild process

Dry Clean using Hydrocarbons (distillation temperature between 150°C and 210°C, flash point between 38°C and 70°C)

(F) Normal process

(F) Mild process

Low water wet cleaning processes

(W) Professional wet cleaning

Professional wet cleaning Mild process

Professional wet cleaning Very mild process

Do not wet clean

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