



# Custom Apparel Care Instructions

To properly care for your new custom screen printed garment, follow these simply Instructions:

1. Turn the garment inside out, wash in cold water with no bleach, on a gentle cycle or even hand wash.
2. Remove the garment within a few minutes of the spin cycle finishing.
3. Hang on a line to dry. This provides the best results for long lasting quality. You may also dry on low/medium heat and remove as soon as possible, after drying.
4. Avoid commercial Dryers in a Laundromat. Temperature Controls are not accurate and excessive heat can damage printed graphics from any provider of screen printed products. Most often the result is cracking of the printed graphics.
5. **DO NOT DRY CLEAN.** This will damage the printed graphics.

Tips:

1. T-shirts are almost always washed with other items. Some items are quite abrasive (like towels) and if the shirt is not inside-out, friction can cause quite a bit of wear and tear on the garment and the printed graphics.
2. Washing in hot water won't necessarily destroy our printed graphics but color loss can occur. Washing in cold water will reduce color loss.
3. Bleach is used to remove color stains. Some soap actually has quite a bit of so-called "color-fast" bleach in them. This won't destroy an image, but it doesn't help.
4. If a shirt is left in the washer too long after the wash cycle, the colors can bleed.
5. Quickly removing a garment from a dryer is fairly important. Even if you dry on low to medium heat, the middle of a load of clothes is hot! If a wadded-up shirt stays in a dryer with 20-30 lbs. of clothes on top of it, it will look a little crumpled when it comes out of the dryer. This can cause the printed graphics to crack.

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