

# LAUNDERING AND CARE OF ATHLETIC UNIFORMS



# Tag Team Uniforms recommends the following cleaning and storage procedures:

# Laundry Preparation

- Check for normal wear and tear so repairs can be made promptly to prevent further damage.
- Launder uniforms immediately after each use.
- Garments that cannot be laundered immediately should be rinsed out in cold water and hung individually on rust proof (plastic) hangers.
- Perspiration fading will occur if uniforms are left wet in a pile or in a travel/laundry bag.
- Do NOT over load a washing machine.

#### Pre-soak

- Soak heavily soiled garments in cold water with a protein release agent for a maximum of 45 minutes.
- Garments should be washed immediately after pre-soaking in a normal cycle.

#### **Washing**

- DO NOT wash white and colors together.
- Wash only in COLD water (30° C, 65° 86° F). Do NOT wash BELOW the recommended temperatures as that water that is too cold may cause some dyes to run.
- Wash with a mild detergent that has a ph under 10 (such as Ivory, TIDE or Cheer).
- DO NOT use chlorine bleach, or any form of bleaching agent, whitener, brightener or laundry booster as excessive fading or color bleeding will result.
- DO NOT use any fabric softener.

# **Drying**

- For best results, uniforms should be hung to dry on a rust proof hanger.
- When tumble drying, use the LOWEST temperature AIR ONLY setting. Do NOT allow uniforms to sit in the dryer after the cycle is completed.
- When tumble drying, jersey's should be dried with the reverse side out.
- EXCESSIVE HEAT will cause SHRINKAGE and IRREPARABLE damage to the screen printing on the garment.
- NEVER WASH OR DRY using high temperature settings (over 120° F).

# Dry Cleaning

• DO NOT dry clean any athletic uniform.

# **Storage**

• Dry garments completely before storing. Store in a cool dry area out of sunlight and fluorescent light.