

## **Fabric Cleaning Protocol**

Alta<sup>™</sup> dwr provides a high level of repellency to water-based stains while enhancing the physical attributes of the fabric. This textile technology will be permanent for the life cycle of the fabric and by following a proper cleaning protocol the fabric will remain cleanable.

## For quick spills:

- 1. Use a fresh, dry cotton cloth to remove the beading up liquid or debris by carefully blotting the spill. Allow the cloth to absorb the liquids.
- 2. In case of residual liquids, dampen the cotton cloth with warm water and gently press the mark. Avoid rubbing!
  - a. Remove any excess soil or debris from the surface. Flush soiled area liberally with warm water then blot with a dry, clean, absorbent cloth.
- 3. If mark is persistent, apply more water and repeat blotting action.
  - a. Change towel surface frequently until spot is gone. Try to avoid brushing which can spread the stain; keep repeating the process until the spot has been removed.
  - b. A warm water extraction machine is an excellent tool to clean soiled fabrics. Please follow the instructions on the machine for use.
  - c. Steam cleaning can damage the fiber of the fabric and are not recommended.
- Let fabric dry. A blow dryer on a low temperature setting can be used to speed up the process.

## For stubborn stains (sauces/liquids pressed or dried onto the fabric):

- 1. Follow steps 1-3 from the quick spill protocol, then apply 2-3 drops of dish detergent to a warm, damp cloth and apply to the soiled area.
  - a. Gently work the solution into the area, wait a minute and blot the spot with a clean, dry, absorbent cloth. Repeat until spot has been completely removed.
- 2. After cleaning, be sure to rinse thoroughly with warm water and blot to remove any soap residue.
- 3. Any remaining soap not rinsed away in the fabric can cause a reoccurring stain.

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