PPE Maintenance Instructions

With 20+ years of experience in the PPE cleaning and repair business we feel we know what it takes to build a first rate cleaning & maintenance program. SR-71 products are specially formulated to Northwest Safety Clean specifications and are a proprietary blend of solvents designed specifically for turnouts and accessories.

The following guide is provided for the professional firefighter as maintenance instructions for the care and cleaning of protective clothing.

Following these instructions in a regimented program should contribute to the reduction of hazardous contamination and increase the life expectancy of your protective clothing.

Field HAZMAT Decontamination

Dilute One (1) ounce of SR-71 Cleaning and Decontamination concentrate in a gallon of warm water (105 degrees or less). Keep this solution handy in a spray bottle. Spray solution lightly over contaminated turnout gear, helmet and other safety gear to loosen materials and surface toxins. Carefully remove turnout gear from the fire-fighter and "red bag" the item(s) for the return trip to station and final cleaning.

Shells vs Liners

Remove inner liner from shell prior to cleaning. Put aside for separate cleaning. Do not wash liners with outer shells! ALWAYS SEPARATE LINERS FROM SHELLS PRIOR TO WASHING!!!

Spot cleaning outer shell

Use SR-71 SP, a citrus based pre-soak /spotter agent, by pouring a cap-full directly onto stain to spot-out tar, soot and other stains from outer shell. Use a medium-soft bristled brush to loosen soils. Tar may require a little scrubbing to completely loosen.

Diesel/gas odor removal: Soak or Spray SR-71 SP onto shells until affected area thoroughly wet. Let set for 30 to 60 minutes before washing with SR-71 Cleaner .

Machine Washing:

Add One (1) ounce of SR-71 Cleaner concentrate for every 10 lbs of washer capacity (gentle cycle) in 105 degree water. ****NEVER EXCEED 100G's EXTRACT SPEED - Damage will occur to moisture barriers.**** SR-71SP may be used as a post-spotting tool for any stain not previously removed during regular spotting. Dry by hanging on a large hangar. Always AVOID direct sunlight and fluorescent lighting.

Hand Washing

Dilute Two (2) ounces of SR-71 Cleaner/concentrate in one gallon of warm water. Spray solution over the areas to be cleaned and brush in with a heavy brush. Rinse with fresh water and repeat only if necessary. Hang on large hangar to dry. AVOID direct sunlight and fluorescent lighting.

****NOTE: If inner liner is sewn to the shell, wash garment by hand ONLY.

If you have any questions, contact Northwest Safety Clean for assistance, 503-775-2114, or info@northwestsafetyclean.com