

## WASHING INSTRUCTIONS: Cotton-Polyester Terry Towels and Robes

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### MACHINE WASH



*Wash at 40°C (100F) for colors, 40°C (100F) for whites*

### BLEACH



*Do not use chlorine bleach*

### IRON



*No need to iron*

### DRY



*Tumble dry at medium heat (not exceeding 65°C / 150F)*

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### GENERAL TIPS

*Always shake out linens before laundering*

*Keep linens clear of the floor - floor stains are difficult to remove*

*One of the most common laundering problems is machine overloading. It should be 75% filled*

### WASHING

*Towels and cotton and poly/cotton should not be washed together to prevent cross-contamination of lint*

*After fabric type, wash should be separated based on soil level and color*

*Soft water will help maintain colors and keep the hand feel soft on towels. Hard water deposits are trapped in the looped yarns of towels and harm their appearance and feel*

*High-quality detergent should have surfactant and a percarbonate in it (and be without brighteners on colors) to swell cotton fibers, releasing the dirt and preserving color*

*Do not use chlorine bleach*

### DRYING & IRONING

*Always check to see if a treated stain was removed after laundering and before ironing.*

*The heat will set the stain*

*Press up to 40 bars*

*Dryer: Tumble dry at medium setting (not exceeding 65°C / 150F)*

*Do not overfill the dryer or run it longer than necessary. Over drying can result in scorching, loss of brightness and a harsh hand feel*

*Maintain efficient door seals and clean lint filters in the dryer*

*Always use a cool down stage at the end of drying to prevent creasing*

*Moisture needs to be at 0% when terry comes out*



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## LAUNDERING STEPS

	<b>Water level</b>	<b>Temperature</b>	<b>Time/Duration</b>	<b>Instructions</b>
<b>Wash</b>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>40°C (100F)</i>	<i>25 min</i>	<i>Do not drain</i>
<b>Cold rinse</b>	<i>High</i>	<i>Cold</i>	<i>15 min</i>	<i>Add fabric softener before 5min soak to improve feel and scent</i>
<b>Spin/extract water</b>	<i>Spin</i>		<i>8-12 min</i>	<i>Continuous high pressure at 27bars</i>

## WHAT CAUSES YELLOWING?

1. **Poor rinsing:** Alkaline materials collect in the fibers, turning yellow when dried. Also called galling
2. **Detergent:** Too much used on first wash with no soiling; refer to product specifications and load size for correct amounts
3. **Gas Dryer:** Some can cause cotton to turn yellow. Try a steam dryer. The two best-rated brands of electric and gas dryers in Consumer Reports are GE and Whirlpool.
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5. **Rust:** In water supply
6. **Chlorine bleach:** Reaction to bleach or poor rinsing after bleaching
7. **Cross Contamination:** From other items in wash that are colored or soiled
8. **Fabric softener:** Used too much; refer to product specifications and load size for correct amounts