



Important Information About Our Fabrics and Their Care

GK offers fabrics that are produced to meet our exclusive stretch and quality standards. GK takes tremendous pride in having the best fabrics in the industry. As the leader in performance apparel, it's important for us to advise you of the tendencies of certain fabrics, as well as practices to avoid.

OUR FABRICS CAN BE GROUPED INTO TWO CATEGORIES:

1. **Long Wearing, Durable Fabrics include:** Nylon/Spandex, Velvet, DryTech, Tech Mesh, Brushed Tricot and Stretch Woven. Note that DryTech may shrink when heat is applied.
2. **Fragile Fabrics** need *extra special care* and include Hologram, Mesh and Nylon/Spandex with Foil. Note that certain high fashion fabrics are more susceptible to wear and fading than the traditional long wearing durable fabrics. Hologram and Nylon/Spandex with Foil fabrics will dull slightly in jeweled areas due to any heat application.

FRAGILE FABRICS NEED EXTRA SPECIAL CARE:

1. Repeated wear and washing may cause the fabrics to fade or lose foil.
2. Alcohol in all aerosol products, such as hairspray, affect these fabrics. Please cover garment before applying. Perfumes and body lotions can also affect fragile fabrics.
3. Deodorants and perspiration may cause these fabrics to bleed, fade or lose foil. We recommend the use of a pure crystal deodorant (does not contain Aluminum Chlorohydrate).
4. Mesh could potentially be damaged due to the rigors of certain routines, where person to person contact can add stress to the fabric. If you choose to use mesh in a design, you will be asked to sign a waiver indicating that GK-Elite Sportswear will not be responsible for replacing or repairing your garment(s).
5. Color transference or color bleed occurs when a white or light color fabric is combined with a bright or dark color fabric. This is a common industry problem and can become more obvious under certain conditions. It is impossible for GK to guarantee that our fabrics will not bleed, even by following proper washing instructions, due to the individual nature of each athlete's wear/washing procedure. The following is a list of fabrics that may be at greater risk for color bleed, when combined with white or light color fabrics: Berry Mystique, Black Mystique, Navy Mystique, Red Mystique, Red Velvet and Merlot Mystique. You are free to order any fabric and color combination, but please do so with great discretion. If you choose to combine light and dark colors, GK-Elite Sportswear will not be responsible for replacing your garment(s).

Please note that the following items may also contribute to color bleed:

- a. Perspiration and deodorant could contribute to color bleed, especially when the two colors meet under the arms.
- b. Damp Garments left in gym bags.
- c. Light colored garments worn under a dark velvet warm-up or shorts.

IMPORTANT WASHING INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALL FABRICS:

Garment(s) must be washed separately. Turn garment inside out, to prevent jewels and foil from rubbing off during washing. Using mild liquid detergent, gently hand wash in a large volume of cold water. Using mild detergent will help prevent colors from bleeding. Rinse immediately, **DO NOT** allow garment to soak. Pat dry with a clean towel and use a thick, plastic hanger to air dry.

DO NOT use fabric softeners. Fabric softeners do not have any effect on the fabrics used in our garments; however, they do negatively affect the adhesives used to attach embellishments to the garment.

DO NOT dry clean. Dry cleaning uses harsh chemicals that will damage the fabrics used in our garments.

DO NOT iron. Ironing will melt and/or discolor the fabrics in garments. Ironing will also have a negative effect on the adhesives used to attach embellishments to the garment.

At GK, we are committed to providing you with the ultimate in service and quality. Contact our Customer Service Department, with any questions or concerns you may have about your Special Order apparel.

Contact us: 1.800.345.4087 or customerservice@gkelite.com.



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