




## UNIFORM MAINTENANCE AND CARE GUIDE

Riddell recommends the following washing, drying, and storage procedures to prolong the appearance, and extend the life of your Riddell uniforms



**DO NOT WASH IN WARM OR HOT WATER**  
**DO NOT WASH WHITES AND COLORS TOGETHER**  
**DO NOT DRY, FOR BEST RESULTS HANG DRY**  
**DO NOT USE CHLORINE BLEACH**  
**DO NOT USE FABRIC SOFTENER**  
**DO NOT DRY CLEAN**  
**DO NOT LEAVE WET OR DAMP UNIFORMS IN A PILE**

### PREPARATION

When receiving Riddell apparel you should pull each item out of the package and store hanging. This is important to assure there is no residual wetness from manufacturing and avoid molding. The tackle-twill numbering and lettering will soften after one good wash and completely soften after a couple. This process can be expedited by soaking 30 minutes in cold water before the first wash.

### PRESOAKING

Heavily soiled uniforms should be soaked in cold water with a protein release agent for a MAXIMUM of 45 minutes.

Uniforms should be washed immediately after presoaking.

### WASHING

For uniform longevity and optimal results, wash uniforms immediately after each wearing.

If washing cannot take place immediately after wearing, uniforms should be rinsed out and hung on rust proof hangers. Color migration may occur if wet uniforms are piled for laundry, or placed in travel bags while wet or damp.

DO NOT wash in warm or hot water, wash ONLY in cold water.  
DO NOT wash whites and colors together.  
DO NOT use chlorine bleach.  
DO NOT use fabric softener.  
USE a mild detergent (ph under 10.0ph)

Minimize the mechanical action by keeping the water level high in the washing machine.

### DRYING

For best results allow garments to hang dry (particularly those containing Spandex).

DO NOT dry with a dryer.

### STORING

Uniforms should be completely dry before storing. To prevent mildew and yellowing, uniforms should be stored in a cool, dry area protected from the sunlight and florescent light.

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