SECLUSION PRODUCTS CARE INSTRUCTIONS:

Interweave Healthcare Seclusion products are made from a heavyweight, 100% woven polyester fabric, quilted into a dual-layer (Secure-Tex); this is combined with re-enforced thread used at all seams and hems. This material is hardwearing, but like all fabrics, has limitations and will wear out over time, based on how the products are treated and the environment they are used in.

Find below recommendations and suggestions on caring for Seclusion Products:

Wash Recommendations – The Secure-Tex fabric has been wash-tested for 50 washes at 71°C via industrial washing process (NHS Laundry). The test led to no decrease in the tear strength of the fabric. Interweave recommends the products are washed at 71°C or a lower temperature and for facilities to have their own internal laundry processes and policies.

When to Replace – All products should be checked for wear & tear and/or user-created damage, after washing and prior to being distributed to service users. Damaged products should be disposed of as the anti-ligature properties are significantly lowered. We suggest the number of uses or the age of garment is used to determine when to replace products from a wear & tear perspective.

Creating a System of Internal policies – Interweave highly recommends that service providers develop their own set of internal policies regarding the use, care and replacement of seclusion products that reflects the needs of the care environment. Some environments may require different policies to others based on product handling and the risk profile of service users.



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