# How to wash colored clothes

Going shopping and falling in love with a beautiful garment of vibrant color is very easy. However, when purchasing this type of garment, it is inevitable to stop to think if washing it will not be very complicated, especially if we want to maintain its color.

The idea that the color deteriorates quickly with washing and subsequent drying is not at all pleasant.

For this reason, we want to share with you five recommendations on how to wash colored clothes correctly, with which you will save a lot of money and, surely, a lot of trouble.

#### 1. Read the labels

When buying a new garment, avoid cutting the label, as the manufacturer's recommendations will be very useful when washing and drying it. The best way to protect the color of your clothes is by providing proper care and the labels will tell you how, so you should know the meanings of clothing labels.



### 2. Do a fade test

To avoid surprises, carry out a simple bleaching test before putting colored clothes in the wash.

1. Identify the clothes that you think will fade.

2. Take an inconspicuous part of the garment and moisten it with hot water.

3. Place the moistened part in the middle of a white cloth and iron it at a high temperature.

Ready! This way you will know which of your colored clothes fade.



Finally, separate colored clothes that are colorfast and wash them separately to avoid mixing colors that can stain lighter clothes.

**3. Use detergent for colored clothes and enough fabric softener** So that the colors of your clothes are always bright, use a specific detergent for colored clothes, which will help keep the tones of the clothes firm. Remember that applying fabric softener to colored clothes is essential to keep them well cared for and looking like new; In addition to giving your clothes a delicate scented touch, it will also leave them very soft.



## 4. Select the correct temperature and wash cycle

To prevent clothing from discoloring and wearing out, use the "delicate" or "hand" wash cycle with the water temperature at 30°. To extend the life of your garments, take care of the washing times;

Between 35 and 45 minutes are enough to wash colored clothes with a level of normal soil.



### 5. Choose the correct drying cycle

Choose the "delicate" or "anti-wrinkle" drying cycle and dry on low heat. Once the machine process is finished, remove the clothes from the dryer and hang or fold them immediately, this way you will save ironing time, as well as the wear and tear caused by the excessive heat of the iron on your colored garments.



It is also good that you keep in mind these three valuable tips:

• Make sure your clothes are completely dry when putting them away. If it's still wet, it will go bad and also dampen your closet and drawers.

• To ensure that the iron will not fade the colors of your garment, be sure to iron on heat levels. First, start ironing the fabrics that require

the lowest temperature and leave the thicker fabrics that need the highest heat until last.

• Iron the garments from the reverse, so you will prevent the heat from discoloring and wearing them out.