

# CURTAIN CARE, CLEANING & DRY CLEANING

*For Coated Curtains or Curtains with Coated Linings*

## CARE INSTRUCTIONS

- When machine washing, use cold water on a gentle cycle
- Do not spin dry, do not tumble dry, do not wring dry
- For best results, hand wash in warm water
- Store goods at temperature above 20deg. C or 70deg F for 24hrs prior to processing
- When hanging, vacuum regularly with a brush attachment

## GENERAL PRECAUTIONS PRIOR TO DRY CLEANING

- The following dry cleaning practices are necessary to minimise the risk associated with dry cleaning thermal-coated curtains or linings.
- During periods of hot weather, an early dry clean during the cool of the day is advised.
- Inspect curtains with customer and note any degradation that has occurred prior to cleaning.
- Look for the appropriate care label and do not accept a curtain for cleaning if in doubt.
- Ascertain the age of the curtains. Coating that has been exposed to UV rays for several years will not withstand dry cleaning as well as newer coating.
- Advise the potential customer of the risks involved in dry cleaning thermal coated curtains.

## MACHINE LOADING

- When loading a machine ensure the fabric weights are as noted below.
- Machine capacity should be used as follows:
  - 13kg capacity machine – load with 5.0 – 6.5 kg of fabric.
  - 18kg capacity machine – load with 7.0 – 9.0 kg of fabric.
  - 23kg capacity machine – load with 10.0 – 12.0 kg of fabric

*note: A standard pair of lined (coated), triple pinch pleat curtains of 213cm drop weighs around 8 kg.*

## PROCEDURE USING PERCHLORETHYLENE

- When using Perchlorethylene, always ensure solvent temperature is below 20°C.
- Run for three minutes using gentle machine cycle.
- Drain to tank or still for at least two minutes.
- Drying temperature should be less than 55°C for 25 minutes with second stage at 35°C.