

# It works best when you follow the instructions.

**GORE-TEX®**  
HAND OR MACHINE WASH  
USE WARM WATER AND  
POWDERED DETERGENT.  
DO NOT BLEACH.  
WARM TUMBLE DRY OR  
DRIP DRY.  
WARM STEAM IRON  
SEE OVER FOR DRY CLEANING

The performance of most weather-proof fabrics is reduced with washing. In the case of Gore-Tex the reverse is true.

Although our fabrics are engineered to resist the elements that cause degradation and leakage - body oils, cosmetics, chemicals such as insect repellents, dirt and grime - their eventual build up may prevent Gore-Tex from performing at its peak.

Rather than causing damage, regular cleaning will restore the properties which make Gore-Tex the most effective breathable waterproof fabric available.

#### **Maintaining Water Repellency.**

Every new Gore-Tex jacket is coated with Durable Water Repellent (DWR). Water just beads and runs straight off the surface.

It's important that you maintain this coating, as it ensures the garment's breathability during even the heaviest downpour. Although it has no bearing on the waterproofing qualities of Gore-Tex, it's an important part of the garment's resistance to stains and contaminants.

After you've washed your Gore-Tex garment, apply heat through tumble drying, or better still, ironing.

This will re-fuse the DWR treatment throughout the face fabric. Eventually you may need to re-apply the treatment. Use a commercial spray whose active ingredients are fluoropolymers.

If you need further advice regarding care and maintenance, or with any other concerns you have about your Gore-Tex garments, contact Gore on

0800-107-107 in New Zealand or 1800-226-703 in Australia

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