



Latex Care Tips

Latex rubber is a natural material that is, like you, constantly biodegrading. However, if you follow these care guidelines, you can prolong the life and strength of your latex.

AVOID

- Oils, greases, and solvents – they destroy latex. **NEVER** use grease or oil-based lubes.
- Exposure to fluctuating or extreme temperatures, and prolonged or direct sunlight.
- Copper, brass, and bronze – they stain latex, especially the lighter colors.
- Storing or wearing with leather – this material will stain and damage latex.
- Alcohol-based perfumes or hairspray – these grooming products also damage latex.
- Sharp objects, like fingernails and jewelry.
- Fire, like candles, cigarettes, or other open flames. Latex is flammable!

POLISHING

For a high shine we recommend silicone lube like Pjur or spray like Black Beauty, apply liberally and then rub in circles with hands or buff with a soft cloth, like an old t-shirt. We caution against Armor All because it contains petroleum.

CLEANING

Wash in lukewarm water with a small amount of unscented/uncolored soap or baby shampoo. Rinse well, inside and out and hang to dry. Do not iron, dry-clean, or put latex garments into a washing machine or dryer.

STORING

After washing and once completely dry, lightly powder your latex garment with talcum powder, and keep it in a cool dark place. It is best not to fold latex because it will crease, unless you wear the item often. Store latex in a vented plastic bag, in an old cotton pillowcase, or on clear plastic, padded or wooden hangers. It is best not to store your latex saturated in silicone, as it can cause the latex to stick too much to itself.

REPAIR

Holes, tears, zippers and seams can often be repaired for much less than the cost of a new garment. Please contact KLA W T E X to discuss repairing your latex, and mention this document for 10% off your repair! KLA W T E X also offers a full range of custom latex and alterations to fulfill your every latex dream!

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