

You just got fuzzy! Now let's keep it clean & pretty!

Sorry to get on my soap box... (Sorry... Dad humor there) ...but please...



WASH YOUR SUIT!

Spray it down with Isopropyl Alcohol inside after each use, but after events or lots of use, please wash it!



BRUSH YOUR SUIT!

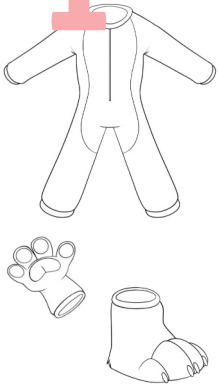
Looking like a mangled mess just wears out your suit faster and makes you look awful.

How to wash:

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▼ Prep your suit for wash

- If you have a zipper on your tail with a pillow inside... remove the inner pillow.
- If your legs have digi pillows, remove them unless you want to wash the fill. (it's fine to wash)
- Turn the body inside out the best you can if possible.
- Put handpaws inside suit.
- ▼ Footpaws can be washed.
 - Indoor footpaws can be washed with the body.
 - Outdoor footpaws are best to be hand washed unless they're -really- bad. Best to wash outdoor paws separately in case shoes inside bleed any dyes.
- If your tail is removable, it can be washed too if desired.



▼ What products should I use?

- ANY laundry detergent will work. You don't need to use Woolite. Fur is plastic. Woolite is for WOOL. However any soap is a surfactant that will release dirt from the plastic fibers.
- You can use fabric softener. I wouldn't go crazy with it, because it is a waxy type of substance and will attract dirt if you use a lot. I usually use half of what's recommended for a normal load.
- If you have a suit with a LOT of white... and its getting discolored. It -is- okay to use a little bleach. I usually use 1/4 of the amount for a normal load. Also you'll want to set your machine for 2-4 extra rinses (if your machine doesn't have that, then do manual rinse cycles). Bleach likes to hang out in fur and will leave you smelling.... bleachy! I don't do this often as it will break down the backer over time.
- Oxyclean can also work well, but don't use it every time. Like once every 10 times maybe?



▼ What kind of machine and what settings?

- ▼ Front load or top load is fine. The best are machines with NO center agitator. Use Delicate.
 - It is possible to use a machine with a center agitator but you MUST use delicate, and keep the load very light. Remove as much fill as possible to keep the load as small as possible. Wash hand and feet separately. You just don't want the suit packed in there tight against an agitator
- Cold or Warm water is fine. DON'T use hot water.
- **DO NOT PUT IN THE DRYER.** Not for drying. Not for fluffing. Not for -ANY- reason. I hear too many stories of "My fluff cycle wasn't supposed to heat, but it did *sobbing crying*. Just be safe, and DON'T risk it.





▼ How do I dry?

- Let the washing machine do as fast as a spin cycle as possible to extract as much water as possible.
- Brush your suit while its damp. This is the best time to get the fur straightened out before its dried in place.
- Hang dry if its not too heavy (don't want to stretch the shoulders & neck), Otherwise lay flat.
- Put Fans on it to dry. You may need to flip around to make sure air is getting into all places.
- The metal braided pencil / pen holders at the office supply store work well for pushing down inside the paws so that you can get air into the deepest places in them.
- After its dry, give your suit a thorough brushing.
- Don't be afraid to use the brush "the normal way" to get fur tangled at the roots. I often use a course pin brush for long fur, and a fine slicker brush for short fur. But on occasion after I wash the suit use a fine slicker brush for everything.

Scent oils...?



- You can use them if you want. BUT keep in mind what does oil attract?? Dirt! So go very sparingly to minimize how much it attracts. I do recommend -if- you do use scent oils, putting the sparse amounts in the areas where smell does occur most... arm pits.
- Again... there is no substitute for just washing your suit. Suits are plastic. Soap and water -won't- hurt the fur.

Head Care and Washing your Head



- For each use of your head its best to spray 70% isopropyl alcohol inside the head, particularly around the mouth and chin area. Also spray from outside the head into the mouth getting both the tongue and roof of the mouth. But also overall inside the head to kill the nasty. I find it best to spray it and let it sit for 5-10 minutes, then put the head on a fan to dry out the alcohol and sweat. Letting the alcohol sit for a bit lets it kill the germs in there.
- Cleaning the outside is easily done by spot cleaning using products like Folex or even just soap and water.
- You can fully immerse the head for cleaning, which is best done in a tub. But make sure you remove the battery and the fans inside. This will involve opening up the head from the back zip, and pulling apart the glue that holds in the fans.

If you have questions on any of this, please feel free to reach out! I want to encourage you to care for your suit so you can get many years of joy and love from something we have enjoyed making so much for you! 💜