

## **Care instructions EQUTEX™**

Here are tips on how to take care of your Stierna garments in the best way so that they function as they should, stay fresh and withstand many years of use.

## Wash

All EQUTEX™ fabrics are water- and windproof and can release moist from the inside, i.e. the fabric is breathable. Wash the garment on a regular basis to maintain the full functionality and avoid clogging the breathability with dirt.

- Follow the care instructions on the label you will find inside the garment. If you have questions, contact the store where you bought the garment or Stierna's customer service.
- Close all zippers and velcros before washing.
- Use a mild detergent and do not use softener, as this will destroy the moist transportation.
- Rinse the garment carefully and do not overdose detergent, then detergent residues can impair the function of the fabric.
- To avoid discoloration, do not let the garment remain in the machine after completing the program.
- Re-activate the impregnation by drying the garment in a tumble dryer, drying cabinet or iron on low temperature. Follow the drying instructions on the care label.
- Do not iron on zippers, reflectives or prints.

## Re-impregnate

All EQUTEX™ garments have a DWR (Durable Water Repellent) treatment, which is a surface treatment of the fabric to make it water repellent. If the fabric surface becomes wet will the breathability be affected and the wet/cold fabric will cling to your body - the inside membrane is still active and waterproof – but it may seem that the garment is leaking. The garments are impregnated at the factory, but we still recommend that you re-impregnate them after a few washes.

- Re-impregnate only clean garments.
- After re-impregnation, dry the garment in a tumble dryer, drying cabinet or iron on low temperature to maximize the effect of the new impregnation. Follow the drying instructions on the care label.
- Do not forget that you should never iron on zippers, reflectives or prints.
- Make sure to use an impregnation suitable for functional sportswear. Suitable impregnation can be purchased from specialist equestrian stores or sports stores.
- If you have questions, contact the store where you bought the garment or Stierna's customer service.