



# APPAREL INFORMATION

## FABRIC CARE



Hand wash at 30°C.



Do not bleach.



Do not iron.



Do not tumble-dry.



Do not dry clean.

*The above care instructions apply to the majority of Palm apparel. Always check individual garment care labels for precise instructions.*

## LATEX SEALS



Remove all jewellery before putting on apparel.



Use other hand to ease seal over hand.



Use both hands to open neck seal.



Wear a sock while putting on ankle seals.



Neck seals can be trimmed to size with sharp scissors.

## Introduction

All Palm apparel is handmade with the care and attention to detail that Palm insists on. The design and cut has been carefully tailored to give you the combined features of keeping you dry and warm whilst providing optimum freedom of movement when paddling. Palm's commitment is for you to have ultimate performance and durability from your Palm apparel.

It is important that all Palm garments are correctly looked after. We have compiled some useful information on the features you can find on our garments and also a few simple guidelines to guarantee you get the best out of your apparel.

## Fabric Care

Palm uses performance fabrics that are highly waterproof and breathable. To protect the fabric and keep it in full working order, ensure that you carry out these basic care procedures when packing your wet gear into a suitable carrier or dry pack:

- Loosely fold up your gear and prevent latex seals coming into contact with abrasive dirt, sand or oil-based substances (including sunscreen and insect repellent).
- Try not to leave your gear in a damp condition for long periods of time. Wash and dry your gear within 24 hours.
- Hand wash in fresh water only to a maximum temperature of 30°C. To remove dirt or grease use a non-detergent soap (e.g. Nikwax Techwash) and rinse well.
- Do not tumble-dry your paddle gear. Allow garments to dry naturally and away from direct sunlight.
- Once dry, check to see if any running repairs are necessary. If damage has occurred either through wear and tear or careless use, Palm offers an excellent repair service.
- Correct storage of your Palm paddle gear will noticeably increase its life. Store in a cool place away from direct sunlight and try to avoid leaving equipment in your vehicle during warm weather.
- Avoid compressing your gear.

## Latex Seals

To get the most from garments with latex seals it is important that you adopt the correct procedure each time you use your paddle top:

- Natural latex seals are very sensitive to sunlight and also vulnerable to damage from oil based products (sunscreen and insect repellent).
- Remove all watches, rings and jewellery. Gently place your hand and wrist inside the seal and with your other hand ease each seal on one at a time.
- Use both hands for the neck seal, gently stretching the aperture to allow the seal to pass over your head.
- Finally, remove any excess air from the paddle top by venting the neck with two fingers.
- When removing your paddle top, it is essential that this is done with great care by reversing the dressing procedure.
- If neck and cuff protectors are fitted to your paddle top, it is important to ensure that the velcro is not firmly closed when placing your hand and wrist, or neck, inside the seal. Once the latex seals are fitting snugly and correctly, ensure that the velcro tabs are properly adjusted and secured.
- Palm recommends the frequent use of a silicone protectant (e.g. McNett Seal Saver) to extend the life of the seals.

The size of the latex seals on all paddle tops are governed by the size of the garment. However, should a seal feel excessively tight it is possible to achieve a custom fit by careful trimming with sharp scissors - neck seals have concentric rings specifically for this purpose. Trimming should always be undertaken with extreme caution. Ideally, the garment should be worn outdoors in



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cold weather to assess the size required.

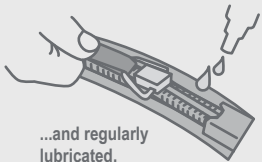
Palm paddling pants incorporating latex ankle seals have been designed for use in conjunction with our paddle tops. Correct use is straightforward although we would recommend that a sock is worn before easing the latex seal onto your foot. Once the seal is in a comfortable position around your ankle, the sock may then be removed. The waistband should be pulled up to be high on the waist, and then a brief check made that comfort is maintained whilst in the paddling position.

Palm recommends the frequent use of a silicone-based protectant (e.g. McNett Sealsaver) to extend the life of latex seals. This should be applied after every two or three outings and as prescribed by the manufacturers instructions given on the bottle.

*It should be borne in mind that paddle top latex seals are not 100% watertight. Movement will always create a minor amount of seepage, but this is usually very insignificant and should not adversely affect your comfort or enjoyment.*

## ZIP CARE

Keep all zips clean...



*Palm drysuits utilize several types of waterproof zips. These general guidelines are good for all of them.*

### Zip Care

Palm use the best waterproof zips in our drysuits. These zips must be cared for to ensure correct operation:

- Never fold the garment across the zip as this can break the teeth. Always keep the zip flat when folding or storing the garment.
- Always rinse zips after use especially after use in saltwater.
- Keep zips regularly lubricated with a silicon lubricant (e.g. McNett Zip Care).

If the zip jams, try to release it by thoroughly washing in fresh water and applying lubricant. After releasing the zip, gently run the slider back and forth to spread the lubricant along the length of the zip and protect it from future jams.

### Palm's Warranty Commitment

All Palm Equipment products are fully guaranteed for the original purchaser against defects in materials and workmanship. If a product is found to be defective before or during use due to a manufacturing failure, Palm will undertake to either repair or replace it subject to an initial inspection. Items should be returned either direct to Palm (Carriage Paid) or to the dealer from whom it was purchased, enclosing the original receipt.

This guarantee is only valid against workmanship and materials and does not cover wear and tear. Due to the vulnerability of latex seals, no guarantee can be given once the garment has been worn. Clothing must be clean and dry before being sent back for warranty or repair work. Please allow up to 21 days for return.

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