

# LAUNDRY

## CARE SYMBOL GUIDE



machine wash



do not wash



permanent press



gentle



hand wash



do not wring



wash cold



wash warm



wash hot



bleach



non-chlorine



do not bleach



dry flat



drip dry



line dry



tumble dry



permanent press



gentle



no heat



low heat



high heat



high heat



iron



do not iron



do not steam



high heat



medium heat



cool heat



dry clean



do not dry clean

The majority of Greater Vancouver's water has a low pH, alkalinity and mineral content meaning it is very soft water.

Studies show detergent use can be reduced by 50% and energy saved by washing in 16°C (60°F) cold water instead of 38°C (100°F) hot water, achieving the same or better stain removal and whiter clothes compared to results in hard water.

The reduced detergent will also prevent washing machine service calls due to disproportionate soap use in a soft water environment. If you are unsure of your water's alkalinity contact your Regional District to verify.