

Z-FLEX CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Garments made with Z-Flex® Multilayer Aluminized fabrics are globally recognized for their excellent radiant protection and performance in extreme environments. Proper storage, cleaning, and inspection will ensure that these products remain in excellent condition to provide maximum protection when needed.

- Z-Flex Aluminized materials and other high performance materials capable of resisting high heat do not have the same wear qualities as work gear or fire fighting turnout gear.
- Care should be taken to avoid rough handling, folding, or abrasion. Rubbing against rough or sharp edges can be especially damaging for the Z-Flex outer layer.

DO NOT MACHINE WASH

- Z-Flex can be wiped down with a soft cloth and warm water. <u>Do not use</u> chlorine bleach, active ingredient cleaning agents, or solvents.
- Examine apparel regularly for rips or tears in the fabric, damage to the straps, and to ensure all hardware
 is functioning properly.
- Always dry thoroughly before storage.
- Store by hanging dry garments in a well ventilated area out of direct sunlight.
- To limit damage caused by creasing, do not fold aluminized garments.
- NFPA 1851 recommends the mandatory retirement of aluminized proximity suits 5 years after the date
 of manufacture. This does not mean the suit will, or should, remain in service the full 5 years. Early
 replacement may be required if the suit is damaged.

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