

We use an aqueous cleaning method called Wet Care which is used as an eco-friendly alternative to traditional dry cleaning. We use a specific machine and detergents to gently clean your items, leaving them clean, fresh and smelling great.

Advice About Curtains

When buying curtains, either readymade or made to measure, it would be helpful to take note of the fabrics after-care cleaning instructions (or retain the care label). It is suggested that curtains be cleaned every 3-5 years depending on their environment. It's always advisable to vacuum your curtains to remove particles of household dust and dirt on a regular basis as this will help prevent the deteriorating of the fabric.

Shrinkage

Shrinkage is always a concern when cleaning curtains. Readymade curtains are generally ok, as the manufacturer will use curtain specific fabrics. Although, some open weave fabrics still may shrink, the BSI Standard for Wet Cleaning allows a 6% shrinkage factor. When cleaning home/handmade curtains there is an element of mystery. Were they made using pre-shrunk materials? Are they made from curtain specific material?

There is never a guarantee that the curtains won't shrink in the cleaning process, but all professional care will be taken by our staff.

Colour Loss

This can be caused by the fabric dyes lack of stability to withstand the cleaning process. Sunlight can also cause colour loss by weakening the dye fastness.

Mould

This will show as black spots. Mould is a growth and the growth's spawns will eat into the fabric. Cleaning will kill the spawns but, it will not completely remove the markings.

Water

Watermarks can appear due to dampness, usually, you will see a brownish watermark, these can be treated. The brownish stains will fade in colour but, some can be impossible to remove completely.

Sunkissed Lining

The lining is mainly there to protect the curtain fabric and they get the brunt of the light, especially sunlight, and the immediate environment. The folds as they hang will attract environmental particles that will damage the fabric, which can cause noticeable colour changes. Environmental damage to the lining can cause the fabric to fray as the fibres are degraded by sunlight. Thermal and Blackout lining can cause problems if it is delaminating (where the bonding of two fabrics loosen). This, again, is due to environmental effects, however if the fabric is not bonded together correctly in the first place, this will lead to delamination that may occur on the first clean.

Taken from the Dry Cleaning Advice on UK Fashion & Textiles Association

We take every professional care with your curtains and are happy to talk you through the cleaning process. However, all work is done at your own risk.