



# RESPONSE BAG CLEANING

**MERET response bags are extremely durable and are made from the highest quality materials and components.** But field use can get your bag dirty, and in some cases, contaminated by blood or Other Potentially Infectious Materials (OPIM) that should be decontaminated through cleaning and disinfecting, or disposed of as contaminated waste. Below are some recommended guidelines for cleaning and disinfecting MERET response bags.



## CLEANING PROCESS:

Wash all bags by hand. DO NOT Machine Wash bags or Machine Dry bags. Although some bags are small or have small internal components, washing machines can often cause damage and it is recommended that all MERET bags are washed thoroughly by hand. Machine Dryers can also cause damage and it is recommended that all MERET bags are air dried.



## CLEANING SOLUTIONS:

It is recommended that all MERET bags are cleaned using cold water and detergent. Hot water can sometimes set the stain further. You can use any commercially available cleaning solution to remove persistent stains or antimicrobial spray, fluid, or wipe to remove contaminants. DO NOT use chlorine bleach. Prior to cleaning using any solution, first test the material color fastness in a small area of the bag to confirm that it will not cause damage. Use a nylon soft bristly brush if necessary.

