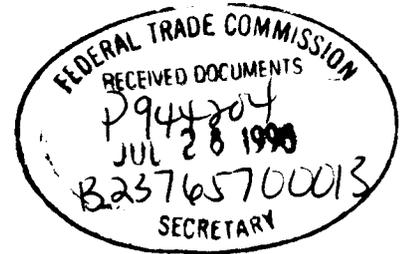


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RE: 16 CFR Part 423--Care Labeling Rule--Comment

In response to the questions at the end of the May 8, 1998, *Federal Register* referenced above, I would like to state the following:

- (1) Certainly I interpret a "dry clean" instruction to mean that a garment cannot be washed; why else would the manufacturer put dry clean? If that's not what it means, I would appreciate it if you would require manufacturers to be more accurate. If what they really mean is "dry cleaning preferred", then they should say so.
- (3) I have never heard of professional wet cleaning, and I would be extremely frustrated if a garment care label listed only that method of cleaning.
- (5) I have no idea exactly what "hot" and "warm" mean on my washer in terms of degrees and no way to find out, but I almost never use pure hot water to wash anything (occasionally I will manually switch the water temperature back and forth between hot and warm as the washer fills in order to get something halfway between).
- (6) I would find it hard to believe that "very hot" water was really good for my clothes, and what I would do is use the "hot" setting.

To help you put my comments in perspective, I am a middle-aged, intelligent college graduate with a lot of years of experience washing clothes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elizabeth Scanlon".

Elizabeth K. Scanlon