

# KRAKEN

## LATEX CARE INSTRUCTIONS

### WEARING

- Dust your body & the inside of the garment with baby powder to facilitate a smooth wearing experience.
- Remove all body piercings, rings, necklaces, and earrings that may stain or rip the latex. If they can't be removed cover them in firm body tape, at your own risk.
- To avoid fingernail damage, ask someone without a long manicure to help you or wear cotton gloves.
- Latex rubber permanently stains brown in contact with copper, brass, or bronze. Light colours are particularly prone to staining. ALWAYS TEST your metal accessories before styling a look on a piece of scrap latex to make sure they won't initiate the staining reaction. This type of damage is irreversible.

### POLISHING

- Best to be done directly on your body or on a dust-free desk.
- We recommend using only latex specific polishes and silicon-based lubes.
- Wipe latex with a lint-free cloth using circular motions. Be gentle so not to scratch the shiny surface. For everyday use, our favourite is Lynx blue polish, for photoshoots we opt for Vivishine which is a much tackier, high-gloss product, for sexy times you can try Pjur.
- DO NOT use baby oil or other sex lubes, they'll stain latex irreversibly.

### WASHING

- Do this right after taking your latex off, not the day after! Takes 10 min max.
- Place latex in a plastic bucket or ceramic sink/bath tub to remove sweat and lubricant.
- Submerge it in lukewarm water.
- Add one squirt of liquid dish soap and foam up the water / garment by hand.
- Leave to soak for 5 minutes. If the latex changes colour in patches at this stage, do not worry, it'll return to full pigmentation once dry.
- Rinse all soap off, inside and outside. We place longer garments inside a shower and hose it to finish the rinsing process.
- Leave it to dry hanging on a plastic/wooden hanger in a dark space, away from any direct sun/artificial light. Again, the shower is a great place for an over-night stay.
- By the morning at least one side should be dry, turn it the other way around if needed. Have a glorious breakfast while you wait.
- Place the dry garment in a plastic bag and pour in a little baby powder. Close and shake well. You want the talc to "coat" the entire garment - This prevents the latex from sticking to itself.
- Ready for storage or to be worn again!
- DO NOT attempt to machine wash, tumble dry, iron or dry-clean rubber garments.

### STORAGE

- Put talced latex in a black garment bag and store hanging vertically, not folded, in a dry place, away from damp, heat and direct sun/artificial light as these will discolour the latex and make it disintegrate faster.
- Don't hang colourful latex next to other colourful latex together as colours could bleed together if they're too close. These damages are irreversible.