

Remove Permanent Press Finish

Please read directions carefully before starting.

If your fabric is treated with a permanent press finish, you need to remove it prior to dyeing. This recipe treats 1 pound (454 gm) of fiber. It is important to work in a well-ventilated area and use gloves, safety glasses and a cartridge respirator fitted with an acid gas cartridge. Always do test samples before working on a large project. For additional information visit our web site at www.prochemicalanddye.com.

- ✘ Use extra caution when using this procedure.
- ✘ Wear rubber gloves, apron, or old clothes and cover work area with newspapers.
- ✘ Dye utensils should never be used for food preparation.

Supplies

PRO Dye Activator or Soda Ash

Synthrapol

Hydrochloric acid (muriatic acid 30%-35% strength)

Procedure

1. Scour the fabric by machine washing in HOT 140°F (60°C) water, or by hand in a pot on the stove with ½ tsp (2 gm) PRO Dye Activator or Soda Ash and ½ tsp Synthrapol per pound of fabric (454 gm, or 3 to 4 yards cotton muslin, or 3 Medium T-shirts, or 1 sweatshirt). Rinse thoroughly. Fabric is ready for the permanent press removal bath or it can be dried and treated later.

2. Make the bath. Measure 2 gallons (8 liters) of cool water into a non reactive stainless steel or enamel pot. Carefully add 1 Tbl (15 ml) hydrochloric (muriatic) acid.

3. Add the washed fabric and heat the bath to 185°F (85°C) with intermittent stirring for twenty minutes.

4. Rinse thoroughly in warm water and fabric is ready for a dye bath or it can be dried and dyed later.

It is very important to always add acid to water. Never add water to acid.