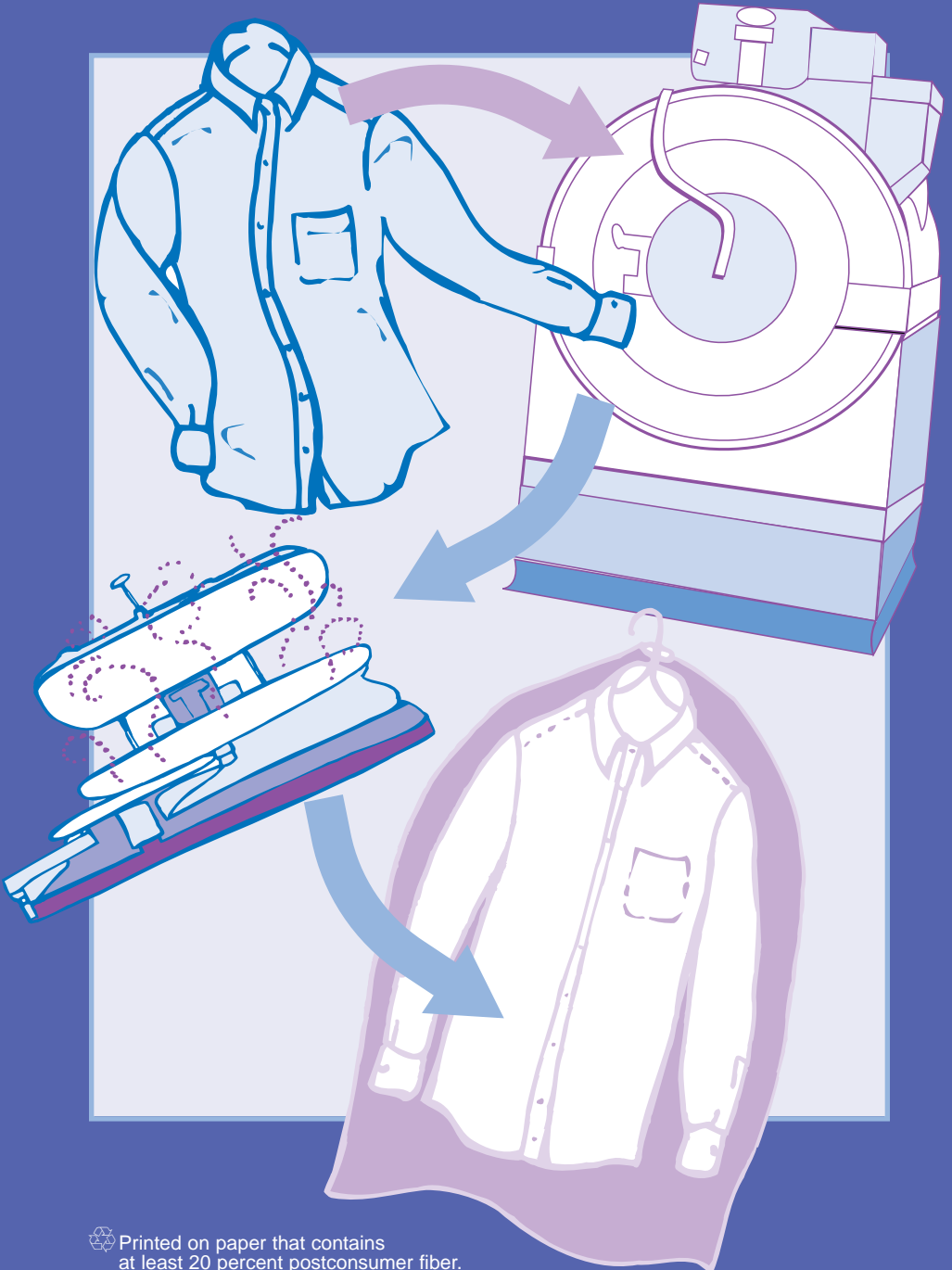




Wet Cleaning





About This Booklet

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has received many inquiries recently about garment cleaners (traditionally known as “dry cleaners”) that offer “wet cleaning” services. Wet cleaning is a professional, nontoxic method of cleaning clothes. Unlike conventional dry cleaning, which uses chemical solvents to clean clothes, wet cleaning technologies are water-based. Consumer demand for nontoxic garment cleaning alternatives like wet cleaning is on the rise. This increase is evidenced by the growing number of manufacturers of wet cleaning and other alternative technologies, and by the increasing number of facilities offering wet cleaning services.

This booklet lists over 120 establishments throughout the United States and Canada that currently have wet cleaning capabilities. If you are familiar with cleaners that are not listed in this directory who offer machine wet cleaning services **besides laundry** (see next page for definition), please contact EPA’s Pollution Prevention Information Clearinghouse (PPIC) at 202 260-1023. In addition, if you are a consumer or shop owner who uses machine wet cleaning, please write us to share any garment cleaning challenges you encounter or overcome: Pollution Prevention Information Clearinghouse, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW. (7409), Washington, DC 20460.

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What Is Wet Cleaning?

Wet cleaning is a professional garment cleaning technique that uses detergents and water. Professional cleaners in the 1930s and 1940s wet cleaned about one-fourth of all the garments that came through their shops. Back then, wet cleaning was used mostly on natural fiber garments, and dry cleaning solvents were used to clean the remainder. The introduction of specialized, non-flammable solvents in the 1950s, however, allowed cleaners to dry clean virtually any type of fabric, including natural fibers. As a result, wet cleaning was no longer necessary.



Driven by concerns about the toxicity of dry cleaning solvents, recent advances in both wet cleaning technology and garment care have revived wet cleaning as a safe alternative to dry cleaning. Trained cleaners are now able to wet clean many garments that have typically been dry cleaned, such as silks, woolens, linens, suedes, and leathers.

Modern machine wet cleaning uses large, specialized machines to gently wash and dry clothes. These machines may be programmed for many variables, such as mechanical action, water and drying temperature, moisture levels in the dryer, and water and detergent volume. This flexible technology provides cleaners with the controls to administer a customized wet wash suited to a fabric's specific needs.

For example, wet cleaners can set the machines to as few as six revolutions per minute to reduce the stress placed on delicate fabrics during the wash cycle. (In contrast, a typical home washing machine may rotate garments several dozen times per minute.) To safely clean fabrics that can shrink when washed in water and dried, cleaners can increase the amount of water spun out of wet garments after the final rinsing cycle, so that minimal drying is needed. They can also control the temperature and humidity levels during the drying process to prevent shrinkage.

Trained wet cleaners also use other tools to ensure that garments are safely cleaned. For clothes that bleed, cleaners can apply an agent that prevents dye from washing out of garments. New, mild bleaching detergents can be used to remove tough stains without diminishing color. Fabric softeners and finishes can be added during the wet cleaning cycle to restore fabric softness, body, and crispness to garments once they are dried.

What Is Dry Cleaning?

Despite its name, dry cleaning is not totally dry. It involves the use of liquid chemicals called solvents that remove most stains from a variety of fabrics. Because very little water is added, the term “dry cleaning” is used to describe the process. Here is how the process typically works:

- ❖ Dry cleaners usually treat spots by hand before placing garments in large machines.
- ❖ Liquid solvents (such as perchloroethylene or “perc”), detergents, and sometimes a small amount of water are added to the machines. The machines then tumble clothes in a manner similar to laundromat washing machines to remove dirt, oil, and stains.
- ❖ Once clean, the clothes are either dried in the same machine or moved to a separate dryer, then pressed and shaped.
- ❖ After several washings, the used solvent is distilled to separate the solvent from water so it can be recycled. Distillation also separates out any waste residues such as detergents, dye, dirt, oil, and grease so the solvent can be reused. Instead of distillation, some machines use filters to clean used solvent after washings.
- ❖ Because they contain traces of perc, filters and residues left over from purifying used solvent must be managed and disposed of as hazardous waste. Most dry cleaners send these materials to special facilities for recycling or incineration.

Because the dry cleaning process uses only a small amount of water, garments are not subjected to the same conditions as those clothes that are immersed and agitated in water. Although modern wet cleaning machines have eliminated most of the problems that can occur, certain fabrics can shrink, dyes can bleed, and fabric texture can be altered when washed in water. Dry cleaning, however, can also adversely affect some fabrics. In short, neither method is perfect. The main difference between the two technologies is that while dry cleaning relies on toxic solvents such as perc to clean clothes, wet cleaning machines use water and specialized, nontoxic detergents that present less risk to human health and the environment.

Is Wet Cleaning an All-Out Substitute to Dry Cleaning?



Cleaners using state-of-the-art wet cleaning technologies are able to clean at least 30 percent and up to 100 percent of all garments that are typically dry cleaned. Studies underway will help to better determine the percentage of clothes that can feasibly be wet cleaned. As the technology matures, that number will continue to rise. Dry cleaning, however, remains the most widely-used method of large-scale garment cleaning.

Does Wet Cleaning Involve Laundering and Hand Washing?

For years, professional cleaners have been using methods such as conventional laundering and hand washing in addition to dry cleaning. While these processes are both water-based and require cleaners to know which fabrics need special treatment, they are not the same as wet cleaning. Laundering uses standard washing and drying machines to clean certain nondelicate garments that normally would NOT be dry cleaned, such as cotton slacks and shirts. Hand washing is labor-intensive and therefore limited to the most delicate garments such as silk and dyed fabrics. Machine wet cleaning, on the other hand, is an environmentally-friendly, high-volume method of cleaning clothes that would typically be dry cleaned.

I think if people would try having their clothes wet cleaned, they'd love the results. I'm just amazed at how good the sweaters come out, so fluffy and soft. As cleaners, we need to prepare our businesses for the future, and wet cleaning is a good way to do just that.

— Mary Wells, 1 Hour Koretizing,
Rocky Mount, NC

How Is EPA Involved With Wet Cleaning?

Since 1992, EPA has been working with the dry cleaning industry to reduce exposure to perc. Because of potential health and environmental concerns associated with perc, EPA formed a partnership with the dry cleaning industry and public interest groups to minimize perc exposures and evaluate alternative technologies through its Design for the Environment (DfE) Program.

As part of this voluntary partnership, DfE initiated a Cleaner Technologies Substitutes Assessment (CTSA) with the dry cleaning industry to examine existing pollution control technologies, solvent substitutes, and alternative cleaning processes. A CTSA is an in-depth study that evaluates the cost, performance, and environmental and health risks of given technologies and weighs their associated “tradeoffs.” Wet cleaning is one such alternative technology that has shown significant promise in the areas of performance, profitability, the environment, health, and customer satisfaction.

To date, DfE and its partners have conducted a study to test and compare wet cleaning and dry cleaning. The initial results indicate that wet cleaning is cost-effective and in many instances performs as well as or better than dry cleaning. Additional data on machine wet cleaning and other alternative technologies are being gathered with the help of demonstration projects.



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- ❖ **Demonstration Sites**—Two wet cleaning demonstration sites have been established to collect information on performance, cost, and customer satisfaction. The sites mirror typical neighborhood dry cleaning shops and offer dry cleaners the opportunity to observe wet cleaning techniques under long-term, “real-world” conditions. Demonstration sites in Chicago, Illinois, and Los Angeles, California, are both operational. A final report on the demonstration sites is available from the Center for Neighborhood Technology at 312 278-4800.

As part of its research, DfE has undertaken the additional initiatives to evaluate and promote alternative cleaning methods:

- ❖ **Pollution Prevention/Waste Minimization Manual for Dry Cleaners**—DfE is developing a manual for dry cleaners offering technical information on waste minimization, better work practices, and pollution prevention opportunities. In addition to this information, the manual contains financial analysis worksheets and case studies designed to help cleaners track the cost of process and equipment changes.
- ❖ **Training Program**—To encourage the design and operation of “greener” cleaning facilities, EPA is sponsoring the development of a curriculum and related workshops to train professional cleaners to reduce their use of solvents. The course focuses on alternative cleaning technologies, particularly garment wet cleaning, and includes sections on economics, worker health and safety, and liability issues.

Take an article of clothing that has been dry cleaned over and over again, wet clean that same garment maybe two to three times, and afterwards, you'll see a difference. Wet cleaning restores color in the clothes.

— Diane Casey, Casey's Cleaners, Parma, OH

When customers come into the store, they see signs indicating that we offer wet cleaning, and they specify that they want this service. On the whole, wet cleaning has produced cleaner, fresher looking clothes for my customers. —Myeong-Ho Lowe, Utopia Cleaners, Arlington, MA

Clothes Cleaning Establishments That Can Offer Wet Cleaning Services

The following is a list of professional clothes cleaning establishments with the ability to provide wet cleaning services. Companies are listed alphabetically by state or country. While all of the shops listed have the capability to perform wet cleaning, they may not actually be providing this service to their customers at this time.



This list is based on research conducted by EPA, the Center for Neighborhood Technology, and Greenpeace. For a current listing of wet cleaners, consult the Greenpeace web page at: <http://www.greenpeace.org/~usa/campaigns/toxics/wetlist.html>

ALABAMA

Watkins Cleaners
1484 Montgomery Highway
Birmingham, AL 35216
Danny Watkins
205 823-0874

Watkins Cleaners
1715 28th Avenue, South
Birmingham, AL 35206
John Watkins
205 879-7951

ALASKA

One-Hour Martinizing
2042 East Northern Lights
Anchorage, AK 99508
Don Adamson
907 279-8041

ARKANSAS

Schickel's Cleaners
2723 Foxcroft, #201
Little Rock, AR 72227
Lou and Teri Schickel
501 225-7807
4 locations

CALIFORNIA

Cleaner By Nature
2407 Wilshire Boulevard
Santa Monica, CA 90403
Debra Davis
310 315-1520
100 Percent Wet Cleaning

Cleaner 2000
18572B Prospect Road
Saratoga, CA 95070
Abe and Mona Afshari
408 366-1700
100 Percent Wet Cleaning

Fazio Cleaners
11702 San Vincente Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90039
Angel Chicas
310 820-0469

Flair Cleaners, Inc.
11702 San Vincente Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90049
Steve Fazio
310 820-0469

Forever Treasured
10049 Rubio Avenue
Granada Hills, CA 91343
Lynda Valenti
818 360-9943
100 Percent Wet Cleaning
Wedding gowns only

Mother Earth Cleaners
4721 Geary Street
San Francisco, CA 94118
John Wolohan
415 751-2822

Natural Cleaners, Inc.
12749 Ventura Boulevard
Studio City, CA 91604
Edward Sidi
818 985-9019
2 locations

The Natural Valet
17451 Nichols Street, Suite J
Huntingdon Beach, CA 92647
Allison Grossman
714 841-9229
100 Percent Wet Cleaning

Nature's Cleaners
172 West Foothills Boulevard
Monrovia, CA 91016
Sam Alem
818 357-8592
100 Percent Wet Cleaning

Porteranch Cleaners
19450 Rinaldi Street.
North Ridge, CA 91326
Nick Tirabassi
818 368-7474

Union French Cleaners
1718 Union Street
San Francisco, CA 94123
Young Kim
415 923-1212

COLORADO

Morrison Suede & LeatherWorks
401 East 17th Avenue, Unit C
Denver, CO 80203
Jim Orlin
303 894-9911

Papa Joe's
728 South Main Street
Walsenburg, CO 81089
Sal D'ambrofia
719 738-2044
100 Percent Wet Cleaning



Paradise Cleaners
3310 East Colfax
Denver, CO 80206
Gregory Geller
303 399-0507
12 locations citywide

CONNECTICUT

Ecomat
457 Main Street
Ridgefield, CT 06877
Jeannette Bedini
203 894-1616
100 Percent Wet Cleaning

Pure Elegance
1240 Post Road, East
Westport, CT 06880
Mike Weisel
203 221-7448
2 locations

FLORIDA

ACME Cleaners
600 North Westmoreland
Orlando, FL 32805
Jim Parham
407 841-2301

Dryclean 2000
2262 North Congress Avenue
Boynton Beach, FL 33426
Robert Leduc
561 737-1114

Orange Blossom Garment Care
9835 SW. Sunset Drive, Unit 101
Miami, FL 33173
Ruth Wendenburg
305 271-8233

GEORGIA

Carriage Cleaners
226 Johnson Ferry Road
Atlanta, GA 30328
Gary Branch
404 255-8688

Custom Cleaners
202 East Town Center
East Ellijay, GA 30539
Jerry Hensley
706 635-5353

K.S. Personal Touch
2014 Powers Ferry Road,
Suite 200
Atlanta, GA 30339
John Pak
770 690-0304

McAbee Cleaners
320 East First Avenue
Rome, GA 30161
Terry McAbee
706 291-0001

Pleasant Hill Cleaners
4300 Pleasant Hill Road, Unit F
Duluth, GA 30136
Louis Huitz
770 418-1131

Professional Cleaners
6018 Sandy Springs Circle
Atlanta, GA 30328
David Galsuha
404 255-2146

Three D's Cleaners and Laundry
1865 Thompson Bridge Road
Gainesville, GA 30501
Danny Dunagan
770 534-2172

Town Cleaners
5885 Cummings Highway,
Suite 406
Sugar Hill, GA 30518
Tom and SonYe Pak
770 614-8656

IDAHO

Family Cleaners
163 Main Street
Gooding, ID 83330
Carolyn Warner
208 934-5892

ILLINOIS

The Greener Cleaner
5312 North Broadway
Chicago, IL 60613
Anne Hargrove
312 784-8429
100 Percent Wet Cleaning

Lansing Cleaners, Inc.
18210 Torrence Avenue
Lansing, IL 60438
Tom Ustanik
708 474-2459

Reed's Cleaners
7659 South Ashland Avenue
Chicago, IL 60620
Eric Jones
773 994-1289

Regent Cleaners
3000 North Broadway
Chicago, IL 60613
Fred and John Barry
773 348-5510

Smart Look Cleaners
10301 South Roberts Road
Palos Hills, IL 60465
Brian Niven
708 599-8059

IOWA

Colfax Cleaners
23 East Howard Street
Colfax, IA 50054
Monty Beals
515 674-3404

Huxley Cleaners
109 South Main-Old Town
Huxley, IA 50124
Dennis Severson
515 597-2331

Nature's Way Cleaners
500 Blairs Ferry Road, NE.
Cedar Rapids, IA 52402
Rick Braden
319 395-6777

Wagner's Cleaners
2525 18th Street
Bettendorf, IA 52722
Ken Vandersnick
319 355-5659
2 locations

KANSAS

Lee's Cleaners
1110 West 31st Street
Wichita, KS 67217
Lee Gieseke
316 522-2391

KENTUCKY

Highland Cleaners
2455 Bardstown Road
Louisville, KY 40205
Vivian Marcian
502 454-4641

LOUISIANA

#1 Cleaners
5038 West Esplanade Avenue
Metairie, LA 70006
Claude W. Foreman, Jr.
504 455-0096

New Concept Cleaners
401 Focis Street
Metairie, LA 70005
Frank Boazman
504 835-6531

Russell's Cleaners
3401 Tulane Avenue
New Orleans, LA 70119
Richard Bauer
504 482-3153

Sutton's Cleaners
3724 Government Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70806
Norman Sutton
504 344-4968

MARYLAND

Admiral Cleaners
4 North Taylor Avenue
Annapolis, MD 21401
Scott Kerridge
410 295-0234

Prestige...Exceptional Fabricare
9420 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20910
Ed Boorstein
301 588-0333

MASSACHUSETTS

Corner Cleaners
1301 Washington Street
Newton, MA 02165
617 969-1711

Kelly Green Cleaners
266 Hyde Park Avenue
Jamaica Plain, MA 02130
Patty and Stan Kelly
617 522-5961

Moonie's Cleaners
233 Bowdoin Street
Dorchester, MA 02122
Joe Lewis
617 282-1046

Natick Cleaners
13 Watson Street
Natick, MA 01760
Bill Kourtis
508 655-8200

Nature's Cleaners
5 Campbell Road
North Andover, MA 01942
David Nobil
508 975-9995
100 Percent Wet Cleaning

Panda Cleaners
155 State Street
Newburyport, MA 01950
Sylvan Menezes
508 499-1735
4 locations

Utopia Cleaners
1370 Massachusetts Avenue
Arlington, MA 02174
Myeong-Ho Lowe
617 648-4783
100 Percent Wet Cleaning

Wayside Cleaners
90 Linden Street
Waltham, MA 02154
Seth Campbell
617 894-7732

MICHIGAN

Clothes Depot of Romulus
37500 West Huron River Road
Romulus, MI 48174
Milton Budzinski
313 941-7033

Curtis Equipment
450 Michigan, NE.
Grand Rapids, MI 49503
John Curtis
616 897-9810
3 locations

Executive Cleaners
28829 Hoover Road
Warren, MI 49331
Gary Richards
810 574-0959

MINNESOTA

Colonial Cleaners
3701 Lyndale Avenue, South
Minneapolis, MN 55408
Soo Chang
612 823-8095

Double Dimension
313 North Minnesota, South
New Ulm, MN 56073
Ann Olsen
507 359-7630
100 Percent Wet Cleaning

East Metro Clean & Press
1183 Geneva Avenue, North
Oakdale, MN 55128
Dan Clausen
612 738-6572

Saint Croix Cleaners
5850 Omaha Avenue, North
Stillwater, MN 55082
Dave Schaff
612 439-9501

Temple Cleaners
628 11th St. E
Glencoe, MN 55336
Brian Grochow
320 864-4317

Waconia Cleaners & Laundry
209 West First Street
Waconia, MN 55387
Keane Raether
612 442-2105

MISSOURI

Lee's Summit Cleaners
316 South Douglas
Lee Summit, MO 64063
Merritt Gano
816 524-3544
4 locations

NEBRASKA

Fashion Cleaners
3031 Leavenworth Street
Omaha, NE 68105
Kermit Engh
402 342-3491
2 locations

Globe/Fabricare Center
4831 Normal Boulevard
Lincoln, NE 68506
Barbara Burr
402 488-5374
10 locations

NEW JERSEY

Linders French Cleaners
130 Morristown Road
Bernardsville, NJ 07924
David Lafer and Allan Shapiro
908 766-6404

Royal Cleaning Specialists
65 West Somerset Street
Raritan, NJ 08869
Kevin Parella
908 707-8383

NEW YORK

Baris Cleaners
48 Saint Paul Street
Rochester, NY 14604
Debbie Freeman
716 325-2286

Crown Cleaners
627 Columbia Turnpike
East Greenbush, NY 12061
Felix Dumbrowski
518 477-4607

Ecomat Cleaners & Laundromat
Ecofranchising, Inc.
140 West 72nd Street
New York, NY 10023
Laine Wilder
212 362-2300
100 Percent Wet Cleaning
5 locations



Embassy Cleaners
1895 Palmer Avenue
Larmont, NY 10538
William Stern
914 834-2700

Enviro Tech
2005 Palmer Avenue
Larchmont, NY 10538
David Burachio
914 833-7500

Hollywood Cleaners
7910 Flatlands Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11236
Murim Lee
718 251-3063

Leary's Cleaners
3256 Monroe Avenue
Rochester, NY 14618
Daniel Small
716 586-4403

Manhattan Valet West
230 West 76th Street
New York, NY 10023
Anthony Burachio
212 721-2480

Meurice Garment Care
20 Park Avenue
Manhasset, NY 11030
Wayne Edelman
516 627-6060
2 locations

Pamper
505 Plainview Road
Plainview, NY 11803
Joe Penestri
516 681-5040
5 locations

Sunny Hi-Tec Cleaners
800 Montauk Highway
Shirley, NY 11967
Suung Kim
516 281-1666

NORTH CAROLINA

1 Hour Koretizing
202 Falls Road
Rocky Mount, NC 27801
Mary Wells
919 977-1610

A Cleaner World
2321 Davis Drive
Cary, NC 27511
Jamie Kelly, CED
919 461-1722

Quality Laundry & Cleaners
238 Tarboro Street
Rocky Mount, NC 27801
Herb Hopkins
919 446-7116
100 Percent Wet Cleaning

Wilmington Specialty Cleaners
56 Darlington Road
Wilmington, NC 28403
Ralph Lockwood
910 763-7695

OHIO

Bowser Cleaners
8600 Glenwood Avenue
Boardmen, OH 44512
Bill Bowser
330 758-7456

Casey's Cleaners
5425 State Road
Parma, OH 44135
Diane Casey
216 351-3600
100 Percent Wet Cleaning

London Cleaners
26163 Chardon Road
Richmond Heights, OH 44143
Bill Richle
216 731-3344

Widmens Dry Cleaning Specialists
2016 Madison Road
Cincinnati, OH 45208
Steve Darico
513 321-5100

OKLAHOMA

Northside Laundry & Cleaners
402 South Main Street
Stillwater, OK 74074
Anne Hacker
405 372-0644

OREGON

Campus Cleaners
1465 Siskiyou Boulevard
Ashland, OR 97520
Ruth Fleming and George Strock
541 482-2281

Central Oregon Dry Cleaners
415 SE. Third Street
Bend, OR 97701
Alan Albertini
541 389-2140

Hubbard Cleaners
3362 D Street
Hubbard, OR 97032
Marlys Peterson
503 982-0524

Oldham's Classic Cleaners
102 South Baker
McMinnville, OR 97128
Shauna Oldham
503 472-7724
100 Percent Wet Cleaning

Prestige Cleaners
2345 NW. Stewart Parkway
Roseburg, OR 97470
Sid Leiken
541 440-1533

Town & Country Cleaners
7561-C Crator Lake Highway
White City, OR 97503
Dorene West
541 826-5484

We-Clean
2795 Anderson Avenue, Suite 32
Klamath Falls, OR 97603
Ron Isakon
541 883-3565

PENNSYLVANIA

Cleaner Services
2035 North 63rd Street
Philadelphia, PA 19151
Gary Mosley
215 477-2201

E.J.B. Industries
913 First Avenue
Conway, PA 15027
John Budavich
412 869-8204
6 locations

Lionville Cleaners
140 Eagleview Boulevard
Lionville, PA 19353
Devidas Parmer
610 534-0661

Michael's Cleaners
1126 South Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19146
215 546-8171

TENNESSEE

Crescent Cleaners
6685 Quince Street, #101
Memphis, TN 38119
Russ Jacobs
901 753-7334

Crossroad Cleaners
6673 Maynardville Highway
Knoxville, TN 37913
Fred Scalf
423 925-4000

TEXAS

Atomic Cleaners
1395 Franklin Street
Beaumont, TX 77701
Rock Barry
409 835-5555

Texas Research Center for Laundry
and Dry Cleaning
Texas Woman's University
P.O. Box 425529
Denton, TX 76204
Charles Riggs
817 898-2670

VIRGINIA

The Cleaners
790 Hawthorne Drive
Norton, VA 24273
Don Green
540 679-1500

Imperial Gown Restoration Co.
2814-C Merrilee Drive
Fairfax, VA 22031
Steven Saidman
703 573-8989

McLean Drapery & Rug Cleaning Co.
1407 Chain Bridge Road
McLean, VA 22101
Dale Mullane
703 356-5321

Row Cleaners
1321 Memorial Boulevard
Martinsville, VA 24112
Alvin Oakes
540 632-5572

WISCONSIN

Leather Rich, Inc.
1250 Corporate Center
Oconomowoc, WI 53066
Ron Kantor
800 236-6996

Valet Cleaners
3825 Durand Avenue
Racine, WI 53405
Gary Becker
414 554-6966

WYOMING

Elite Cleaners and Tailors
1026 East Pershing
Cheyenne, WY 82001
Dot Anderson
307 638-8901

WASHINGTON, DC

District Fur Storage
33 Patterson Street, NE.
Washington, DC 20002
Ali Ghobadi
202 898-4160

BAHAMAS

Princess Tower Hotel
P.O. Box F-2623
Freeport, Grand Bahama
Elvina McIntosh
242 352-9661 ext. 4268

CANADA

Blondie Cleaners
909 Riverside Drive, East
Windsor, ON
Canada N9A 2T5
Dick Rivard
519 254-4364

Buttons and Bows
3850 Finch East
Toronto, ON
Canada
Jagdish Hattiangadi
416 754-2136

Careful Hand Laundry
195 Davenport Road
Toronto, ON M5R 1J1
Canada
Brian Chelsky
416 923-1200

Fabtech Dry Cleaners
Unit 690
3147 Douglas Street
Victoria, BC V8Z 6E3
Canada
George Bradasch
250 385-8244
3 locations

Finchdale Cleaners
2578 Finch Avenue W.
Weston, ON M9M 2G3
Canada

Yazdi Kharwanwala
416 741-2536

Green World Cleaners
204 Carlton Street
Toronto, ON M5A 2L1
Canada
Cleveland Smith
416 960-8485

Heritage Cleaners
21 Wooten Way North
Markham, ON L3P 2Y2
Canada
Young Jin Kim
905 294-9105

Langley Parisian Cleaners
679 Mohawk Road E.
Hamilton, ON L8V 2K6
Canada
Ken Adamson
905 522-4651

Miss Brown's Cleaners
67 Provo Street
Lachine, PQ H85 1L3
Canada
Albert Rich
514 637-6741

Roop's Cleaners
8 King Street
Turo, NS B2N 3K6
Canada
Randy Roop
902 895-8044
2 locations



For More Information

The following publications on dry and wet cleaning can be obtained, at no charge, from EPA's Pollution Prevention Information Clearinghouse (PPIC) at:

PPIC

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401 M Street, SW. (7409), Washington, DC 20460
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Fax: 202 260-4659

Many of these documents can also be found on EPA's home-page at: <http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/dfe/garment/garment.html>.

- ❖ *Design for the Environment Garment and Textile Care Program* (EPA744-F93-004). This fact sheet provides an up-to-date description of EPA's Garment and Textile Care Program and research efforts.
- ❖ *Multiprocess Wet Cleaning: Cost and Performance Comparison of Conventional Dry Cleaning and An Alternative Process* (EPA744-R-93-004). A technical report summarizing research on performance and costs of multiprocess wet cleaning and dry cleaning.
- ❖ *Summary of a Report on Multiprocess Wet Cleaning* (EPA744-S-94-001). This booklet explains the results of the initial research comparing multiprocess wet cleaning and dry cleaning.
- ❖ *Resource Guide for Dry Cleaners* (EPA744-K-96-004). This booklet provides a variety of resources on topics affecting the dry cleaning industry, including publications, Internet resources, trade associations, and EPA Regional contacts.
- ❖ *Chemicals in the Environment: Perchloroethylene* (EPA749-F-94-020). This brochure explains what perchloroethylene is, how it is used, and what happens once it enters the environment.
- ❖ *Profile of the Dry Cleaning Industry* (EPA310-R-95-001). This document provides summary information on the dry cleaning industry and refers to other in-depth resources.

This booklet is part of a series of EPA publications on dry cleaning issues and concerns, alternative clothes cleaning technologies, and research initiatives. To receive additional information or to learn more about EPA's efforts, contact EPA's Pollution Prevention Information Clearinghouse at 202 260-1023.



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