


East Lake Tarpon Special Fire Control District

	SOP 924 Bunker Gear	
	Implementation Date: 11/2000	Revision Date(s): 01/2007
		Reviewed Date(s):
	Forms or Attachments: None	

COATS & PANTS

Daily Inspection: Should report any unsafe conditions to the Shift Officer.

Frequency of Cleaning: Should be accomplished at least every six months or as soon as possible after the termination of an incident where the clothing has been soiled or has come into contact with blood or other body fluids.

Cleaning at Scene: If possible, flush the clothing with water as soon as possible after the emergency (after exiting the structure) as this will remove as much as 90% of all contaminants before they have a chance to set in.

Cleaning Instructions:

1. Machine wash at Station 56 or 58. Wash inside out with buckles hooked.
2. Hang dry in well ventilated area or the drying unit at Station 56.
3. Inspect for any unsafe condition after wash.
4. Follow printed instructions.

NOMEX PROTECTIVE HOODS.

Daily: Inspect for any unsafe conditions.

Frequency of cleaning: Same as Coats & Pants.

Cleaning:

1. Wash in machine, warm water with liquid detergent.
2. Hang to dry in well ventilated area or place on drying unit.
3. Inspect for any unsafe conditions.

FIREFIGHTING GLOVES:

Daily: Inspect for seam integrity and for lack of tears.

Frequency of Cleaning: Same as Coat & Pants.

Cleaning:

1. Machine wash using extractor washers.
2. Rinse thoroughly
3. Hang to dry or use the drying unit.
4. Re-Inspect

PROTECTIVE HELMET:

Daily: Inspect inner lining and outer shell for visible damage.

Frequency of Cleaning: Same as Coats and Pants.

Cleaning: Inner Lining.

Remove ear flap and wash with protective hood.

1. Tumble dry, warm

Cleaning: Outer Shell:

1. Hand wash with mild detergent and warm water.

BOOTS:

Daily: Inspect for any tears or unsafe conditions.

Frequency of Cleaning: Same as Coat & Pants.

Cleaning:

1. Hand wash in mild detergent and warm water
2. Hang to dry using the drying unit at Station 56 when possible.
3. Re-inspect.

SUSPENDERS

Daily: Inspect for unsafe condition

Frequency of Cleaning: Same as Coat & Pants.

Cleaning:

1. Machine wash using extractor washers.
2. Rinse thoroughly
3. Hang to dry or use the drying unit.
4. Re-Inspect

Monthly Inspection of all Bunker Gear:

There will be a monthly formal inspection of all Bunker Gear by the personnel to whom the equipment is assigned. Periodic inspection will be completed when designated on the Training Schedule. Any damages found will be reported on a Uniform Inspection Form 917.1.

Identifying Bunker Gear

All gear will be identified with the last 3 digits of the employee's ELFR ID number marked with permanent ink marker in the following locations:

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| • Helmet liner | Rear of liner just above lower hem line |
| • Nomex Hood | Just above manufacturer's label |
| • Bunker Coat shell
already on
shell) | inside the right side of coat flap (if name is not
rear "tail" of coat |
| • Bunker Coat liner | on manufacturer's label |
| • Trousers shell | Inside right flap of trousers fly |
| • Trousers liner | on manufacturer's label |
| • Boots | Inside top edge of each boot top |
| • Gloves
fabric wrist
leather | Posterior aspect of glove in gray area between
closure and blue |

Laundering Contaminated bunker gear (extractor machines only)

- Bunker coats and trousers will have liners removed from shells (older gear will still require liners to be separated and inverted "inside-out")
- Follow instructions listed on laundry cycle option sheet. (Wash only liners with liners, shells with shells, etc.)