

Nikwax Cleaning Tips

FOR LEATHERS, BOOTS & GLOVES

Removing stubborn stains

Apply **Nikwax Leather Cleaner** to the stain. Use a sponge or soft nylon brush to remove the stain.

General cleaning tips

1. Wet the surface of the leather under running water or with a wet cloth.
2. Remove surface dirt with a soft brush.
3. Work on one panel or small area at a time. Apply the Leather Cleaner.
4. Rub in well with sponge or soft nylon brush. Pay attention to dirty areas such as front, cuffs etc. Make sure you work the Leather Cleaner into pleats and gathered areas.
5. Rinse off straight away under tap or with damp cloth.
6. Apply the appropriate Nikwax Leather treatment:
 - **Leather Restorer** for clothing.
 - **Aqueous Wax** for boots and panniers.
 - **Glove Proof** for gloves.



FOR TEXTILE GARMENTS

Removing stubborn stains

Apply **Nikwax Loft Tech Wash** undiluted to the stain. Use a sponge or soft nylon brush to remove the stain.

Clean in a washing machine or hand wash?

Cleaning a garment in a washing machine produces a more even and thorough result. Loft Tech Wash can however be used to hand wash garments in a bath or sink. Rinse the garment 3 times in clean water to remove all traces of soap before applying the waterproofing. Remember to remove the armour first if possible, no matter which method you use to wash your garment.

Why wash before waterproofing?

Washing your garment in Loft Tech Wash before applying **Nikwax TX.Direct Waterproofing** will remove dirt, detergent residues and any other contaminants. It is not necessary to dry the garment before applying the waterproofing. After all, you wouldn't wax a dirty bike so don't waterproof a dirty garment.



Zips, Velcro and Fasteners

Make sure all closures on the front, cuffs, ankles, pockets etc are closed before washing. This will help prevent zips etc, snagging on fabrics.



Frequently Asked Questions



What is the Nikwax Motorbike Range?

A complete range of cleaning and waterproofing products developed for motorcycle leather & textile clothing, footwear & equipment

What are the benefits of Nikwax WaterBased products?

1. No harmful solvents - safe for you, your gear & the environment.
2. WaterBased products soak in only where needed - you can't over treat or over soften.
3. No heat is required to activate the waterproofing.
4. No sticky finish which attracts dirt.
5. Non-flammable.
6. Can be applied to damp textiles or leather.

Will any of the WaterBased products affect the breathability of my gear?

No. **Nikwax WaterBased** waterproofing products make individual fibres water repellent and so water vapour (sweat) can still pass through.

Do I have to wash my textile jacket in a washing machine?

No. The bottle has both machine and hand wash instructions.

What can I use to waterproof non-breathable textile clothing or equipment such as panniers & rucksacks?

Nikwax TX.Direct Waterproofing can be used on non-breathables. Nikwax manufactures other products including **Tent & Gear Proof**, which is designed for waterproofing non-breathable items. For more details go to www.nikwax.co.uk

What is the difference between Leather Restorer & Aqueous Wax?

Leather Restorer will soften, condition & waterproof whereas **Aqueous Wax** won't soften. Therefore Nikwax recommends **Aqueous Wax** for footwear.

Will Glove Proof make my gloves slippery?

No. **Glove Proof** contains an ingredient which maintains grip.

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1 Loft Tech Wash
Cleaner for textiles

2 TX.Direct Waterproofing
Waterproof for textiles

3 Leather Cleaner
Cleaner for leather

4 Leather Restorer
Softens & conditions leather

5 Aqueous Wax
Tough waterproofer for leather
Available in clear or black

6 Black Aqueous Wax
Tough waterproofer for leather

7 Glove Proof
Waterproofing for leather & fabric gloves

8 Nikwax Wax
Traditional proofer for leather

9 Travel Towel
Half the weight, dries twice as fast, less bulk
Great as a neck scarf too

Key

- Cleans
- Restores & re-proofs

