



GALLET  
**F2XR**

# CLEANING, DISINFECTION AND DECONTAMINATION GUIDELINES



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## GOOD PRACTISES FOR FIRE HELMET CLEANING



### At the **FIRE SCENE**

- ✓ If possible, rinse the helmet with water on site immediately after intervention
- ✓ If not possible to rinse with water, perform a dry pre-cleaning with microfiber cloths directly on site
- ✓ Put your helmet in an isolated area in order to avoid any cross contamination inside the fire truck



### Back to the **FIRE STATION**

- ✓ Clean helmet as soon as possible after soiling following the procedures described below



### Important **RULES**

- ✓ Always wear gloves when handling soiled equipment
- ✓ Do not use abrasive materials to clean your helmet
- ✓ Do not use solvent-based products (acetone, alcohol, ...) or softeners to clean your helmet

## TEXTILE ELEMENTS CLEANING PROCEDURES













- ✓ Remove components which are in contact with the firefighter's head: chinstrap and padding. You can also include the neck curtain.

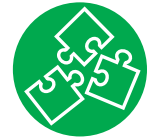
**Neck curtains are exposed to contamination and may need to be washed more frequently than internal textile elements.**

- ✓ Put components in a washing machine bag (P/N GA1173).

Close the Velcro straps of the padding.

Put bag in tumbling machine and select program as follows:

Elementos	Instrucciones	Iconos de cuidado
<b>Padding</b> GA3715	Washing at 60°C max., gentle cycle Do not bleach Do not iron Do not tumble dry	   
<b>Chinstrap</b> GA3711	Washing at 30°C max., gentle cycle Do not bleach Do not iron Do not tumble dry	   
<b>Nape neck curtain</b> GA3709	Washing at 60°C max. Do not bleach Iron dry at 110°C max. Tumble dry at 60°C max.	   



Use Clax Plus and Clax 100 Color detergents (Diversey) with the following dosing recommendations::

Detergent	Pre Wash (per kg)	Main Wash (per kg)
Clax 100 Color	8 g	8 g
Clax Plus	23 g	28 g

- ✓ Re-install textile components on GALLET F2XR helmet after air-drying or tumble dry (see above table for detailed care instructions per element).

**The helmet must be completely dried before returning to service.**



## HELMET CLEANING PROCEDURES

### MANUAL Cleaning Procedure – without Disassembly

#### Ingredients: water and soap

- ✓ Remove electronic components from helmet (lights, active hearing protection, ...)
- ✓ Rinse shell and interior parts (textile, shell, ocular visor) thoroughly with water (about 30°C)

Use pH neutral soap and microfiber cloth or sponge (soft side) to scrub the different helmet components

- Shell and accessory interface
- Face shield and ocular visor (inner and outer surface)
- Internal elements (padding, chinstrap, plastic pieces)
- Neck curtain

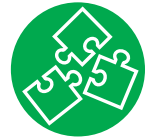
- ✓ Rinse helmet thoroughly with warm water (about 30°C)

- ✓ Dry helmet

- Ambient air drying => 24 hours
- Warm room drying => several hours
- Drying cabinet (with or without ozone) => 2 hours  
Maximum level of ozone: 0.2 ppm

***The drying times are only an indication.***

***The helmet must be completely dried before returning to service.***



## MECHANICAL Cleaning Procedure – without Disassembly

### Fixed-basket washing machine

- ✓ In case of highly soiled helmets, proceed to manual pre-cleaning with warm water
- ✓ Remove electronic components from helmet (lights, active hearing protection, ...)
- ✓ Insert complete helmet into washing machine
- ✓ Select program adapted to fire helmets
  - Maximum temperature of 30°C
  - Cycle time between 3 and 8 minutes depending on the selected machine and the soiling level
  - Use the following Diversey products combination through the dosing system of the machine:
    - Suma Jade Pur-Eco L8 detergent with the following dosing: 2 ml per litre of water
    - Suma Med Neutral neutralizer with the following dosing: 0.2 ml per litre of water
 The neutralizer allows to avoid any detergent residue on the helmet components.
- ✓ Dry helmet
  - Ambient air drying => 24 hours
  - Warm room drying => several hours
  - Drying cabinet (with or without ozone) => 2 hours  
Maximum level of ozone: 0.2 ppm

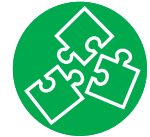
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### Ozone Cabinet

This procedure has been tested and approved with Novven Ozone Cabinet.  
Program and level of ozone may vary according to the cabinet brand.

- ✓ Pre-clean the helmets with soft cloth and warm water
- ✓ Remove electronic components from helmets (lights, active hearing protection, ...)
- ✓ Insert complete helmet into the cabinet
- ✓ Select program adapted to fire helmets
  - **Option 1: Standard drying & cleaning program**
    - Max. temperature 50°C
    - Level of ozone: 0.2 ppm
    - Cycle time: between 45 minutes and 4 hours
  - **Option 2: Eco-Friendly drying & cleaning program**
    - Max. temperature 45°C
    - Level of ozone: 0.2 ppm
    - Cycle time: between 2 and 6 hours



## HELMET DECONTAMINATION PROCEDURE WITH OZONE CABINET

This procedure has been tested and approved with Novven Ozone Cabinet.  
Program and level of ozone may vary according to the cabinet brand.

- ✓ Pre-clean the helmets with soft cloth and warm water
- ✓ Remove electronic components from helmets (lights, active hearing protection, ...)
- ✓ Insert complete helmets into the cabinet
- ✓ Select program adapted to fire helmets
  - Max. temperature 58°C
  - Level of ozone: 0.5 ppm
  - Cycle time: 2 or 4 hours



## HELMET DISINFECTION PROCEDURES

### With Diversey Products

- ✓ In addition to regular cleaning, Diversey Oxivir® Excel™ Broad Spectrum Cleaner and Disinfectant may be used for disinfection.

***It is important to follow the cleaning manufacturer's instructions, including contact time to achieve disinfection.***

*For recommendations on the method of application and details on the exact nature of the agents, please refer to the product and safety datasheets on the vendor's website.*

*If the indicated disinfectant is not available in your country, please refer to its technical specifications and guidance from your local authorities to find a product with equivalent concentrations of the same active ingredients that can be sourced locally.*

- ✓ If in doubt, soft clothes (padding, chinstraps, neck curtains, etc.) should be removed and replaced by new ones.

***Please refer to the user manual for references of the corresponding spare parts.***



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- ✓ Pre-clean the helmets with soft cloth and warm water
- ✓ Remove electronic components from helmets (lights, active hearing protection, ...)
- ✓ Insert complete helmets into the cabinet
- ✓ Select program adapted to fire helmets
  - Max. temperature 60°C
  - Level of ozone: 0.7 ppm
  - Cycle time: 45 minutes or 2 hours



**Once cleaning, disinfection or decontamination is completed, perform complete check of helmet with detailed inspection of each critical component (suspension, shell, chinstrap). MSA recommends to have a system for keeping minimal records for their GALLET F2XR helmets in case of repair.**

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