

Amber Alert

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Roman Original Dress

92% Polyamide (Nylon)
8% Elastane, lining 100% polyester.
Apart from the ruched bodice
(gathered ruffle top) there is no rea-
son why this garment should have a
Dry Clean Only label because all of
the fibres/fabrics could be hand
washed or professionally wet
cleaned.

The Elastane has broken through
the weave and is a manufacturing
fault of the original fabric.

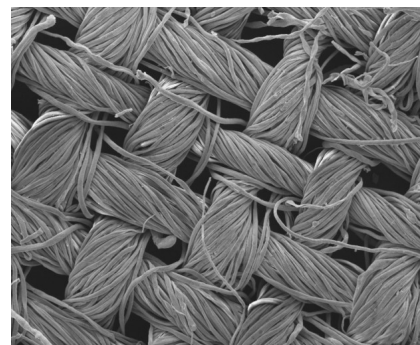


Dry cleaner followed instructions on care label but the Elastane still broke down.

Customer claims only worn once.

Dress is 92%Nylon and 8% Elastane, dress could have been Hand washed or Professionally Wet Cleaned, although this breakdown of the weave revealing the Elastane thread is still likely to have occurred. 8% Elastane is a high % for a dress fabric and is more likely to be seen in sport or swim wear, however, it is wrongly labelled, because turning inside out would not protect Elastane fibres.

Deteriorated Lycra (Elastane) fibre as seen
through a magnified scanning electron micro-
scope



"Obviously we cannot say that other items of the same type will have the same problem, or that a different method of cleaning may have had a more satisfactory result, because this was not tested, but we advise caution and that you carry out your own test if you are going to clean this type of garment."