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## Amber Alert

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## **Chanel Jacket**

Care Label was F, with a bar underneath, and the cleaner cleaned it in Hydrocarbon using the appropriate measures, however the manufacturer used an adhesive that was not totally resistant to this solvent and the plastic loops, used in the trim of the garment, are breaking away.



This is a Chanel jacket with a series of plastic loops which make up the trim around the cuffs, pockets, collar and fronts. The jacket was labelled F with a bar beneath however the adhesive used to bond the joints of the plastic loops was not wholly resistant to hydrocarbon.

The adhesive degrades when immersed in hydrocarbon. During cleaning this leaves the loops susceptible to working free.

Multiple loops were missing and the majority of the remaining loops had very little residual adhesive holding them together. There is no remedial action possible.

"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."