

CONSENT TO CLEAN YOUR SILK WEDDING DRESS

Silk is a beautiful and lustrous fabric, but it is more difficult to clean than most other fabrics.

Your wedding day has exposed your dress to a variety of detrimental events, such as:

1. Staining with makeup and tanning solutions
2. Damage and wear and tear of beads and trims
3. Spillage of food and beverages
4. Perspiration and deodorant stains on bodice and under arm areas
5. Hemline soiling from dance floors and external venues

The severity of one or many of the above issues will determine the degree of success of the cleaning of your dress.

It is very important to have discussed with your cleaner all of the above issues and understand that there are in many cases, limitations due to the nature of silk fibres, including:

- a. Silk is a very fine and strong fibre and many dress manufacturers may use 'sizings' to give the fabric greater luster and body
- b. Silk can shrink to a small degree when moisture is used for various types of stain removal procedures
- c. All cleaning solvents will remove some 'sizings' that have been added during manufacture. Dry Cleaning will remove less sizing than Wet Cleaning.
- d. Silk can be damaged with excessive exposure to sunlight and heat. If applicable, check that your dress has not been displayed in the window prior to purchase
- e. Some manufacturers will use solvent soluble glues in the construction of the dress, particularly around the bodice, and have been known to leach out or dissolve when dry cleaned, leaving noticeable discoloration on the dress.

I declare that the Dry Cleaner has explained the above to me, and I understand the risks and limitations relating to the cleaning of my wedding dress, but I give consent for the cleaner to proceed with the cleaning of the dress.

I agree that as I have been fully advised on the possible risks to the dress, that I will make no claim on the Dry Cleaner, should any damage occur.

This declaration does not deny my basic rights to have the dress cleaned with all due care, nor to claim in the event of mishandling or neglect on the part of the Dry Cleaners.

Name of Dry Cleaner:

Signed: (customer)

Phone: Date:

Price: Docket no.
