... to avoid thermally induced yellowing of cotton/elastane fabrics during heat setting



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Special antioxidant for use in heat setting of cotton/elastane fabrics

Cotton/elastane fabrics often show strong yellowing after hot treatment. Preheat-setting before dyeing is necessary to reduce the edge-curling propensity of knitted goods and to achieve a dimensionally stable fabric.

Yellowing of CO/EL during pre heat-setting results in:

- Iower degree of whiteness after heat setting
- Iower degree of whiteness after bleaching
- Iower brilliance of shade
- danger of stretching power decrease of elastane



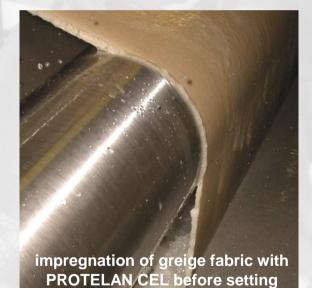


relieves the manufacturing of an optimal white and brilliant shades.

The pad application of an antioxidant before heat-setting yields big advantages for the customer because

PROTELAN CEL has multiple effects:

- > emulsifying of oily deposits, dust and spots
- > no burn-in of preparations
- reducing of yellowing of cotton/elastane during heat setting
- > optimal protection of the elastane fiber during heat setting



PROTELAN CEL penetrates the fabric very quickly and evenly.

The treated cotton/elastane fabrics show a lower tendency to yellowing after heat setting than without using of this antioxidant.



We compared different antioxidants used in preheat setting of CO/EL. The products were applied by padding before preheat setting.

Depending on the kind of antioxidants, a higher or a lower degree of whiteness after scouring and bleaching results.

PROTELAN CEL achieved the best protection against yellowing during heat setting of the sample cotton/elastane knitwear.

Fabric: 92/8 cotton/elastane knitwear	without	20 g/l PROTELAN AY	20 g/l competitor SPX	2 g/l competitor VW (powder)	20 g/l competitor EFR	20 g/l PROTELAN CEL
degree of whiteness of greige fabric	7.1 CIE	7.1 CIE	7.1 CIE	7.1 CIE	7.1 CIE	7.1 CIE
padding of antioxidant heat set for 45 sec at 195°C degree of whiteness after heat setting	- 18.8 CIE	3.8 CIE	- 4.8 CIE	- 9.2 CIE	8.3 CIE	11.4 CIE
scouring 20 min at 90℃ degree of whiteness after scouring	19.3 CIE	25.3 CIE	22.6 CIE	19.9 CIE	28.4 CIE	29.7 CIE
bleaching 45 min at 98°C degree of whiteness after bleaching						
	67.8 CIE	72.0 CIE	71.4 CIE	69.1 CIE	73.9 CIE	75.0 CIE



The same comparison using an other knitwear which shows very strong yellowing during heat-set if no antioxidant is used.

PROTELAN CEL protected this fabric in an optimal way so that a significantly higher degree of whiteness after scouring resulted.

SAMPLES - only scoured before dyeing -

Fabric: 90/10 cotton/elastane Knitwear very dark shade	without	20 g/l PROTELAN AY	20 g/l competitor SPX	2 g/l competitor VW (powder)	20 g/l competitor EFR	20 g/l PROTELAN CEL
degree of whiteness of greige fabric	- 13.9 CIE	- 13.9 CIE	- 13.9 CIE	- 13.9 CIE	- 13.9 CIE	- 13.9 CIE
padding of antioxidant heat set for45 sec at 195°C degree of whiteness after heat setting	- 34.4 CIE	- 13.8 CIE	- 18.1 CIE	- 28.7 CIE	- 8.6 CIE	- 7.8 CIE
scouring 20 min at 90℃ degree of whiteness after scouring	11.7 CIE	20.8 CIE	16.2 CIE	13.0 CIE	22.3 CIE	23.6 CIE



Our new special antioxidant for use in heat setting

of cotton/elastane fabrics

ADVANTAGES for our customers:

- ✓ optimal degree of whiteness
- ✓ brilliant shades
- no burn-in of preparations
- optimal protection of elastane fiber during heat setting
- ✓ better reproducibility

