

TEXON VOGUE

Processing Recommendations & FAQs

Can Texon Vogue be washed?

Texon Vogue can be washed in typical home washing machines with the water temperature set to *MEDIUM* (about 40°C/104°F), using normal detergent (powder or liquid) without a fabric softener. If bleach is required, use only a *NON-CHLORINE* bleach. It is not recommended for industrial washing (stone or destroyer wash) or dry cleaning. It is recommended performing washing and drying tests on the finished product before use in production.

Will Texon Vogue shrink when washed?

Texon Vogue is a dimensionally stable material that does not shrink or stretch but will wrinkle slightly during wash, taking on a natural vintage look.

Should Texon Vogue be washed before sewing?

Washing Texon Vogue makes the material softer and easier to sew. If Texon Vogue is to be used in combination with other materials, please prewash both Texon Vogue and the other material separately as each material may react differently.

Can Texon Vogue be placed in a dryer?

Texon Vogue can be tumble dried but recommend at Medium temperatures. The material does not leave fibres and can withstand higher temperatures but it will crease/crinkle, which is a desired effect with most customers.

Can Texon Vogue be ironed?

It can be ironed using a warm temperature setting.

Can Texon Vogue be embroidered?

Texon Vogue can be embroidered by hand or by machine, but not every embroidery file works well. Very tight embroidery motifs should be tested with each sewing machine. If the finished part is to be washed afterwards, please prewash both the Texon Vogue and the other material that will be used. Both materials could shrink a little in different ways. For best results:

- embroidery fleece should be used on the back
- choose a slow embroidery speed and a new pointed needle.

How should Texon Vogue be cut?

Texon Vogue can be cut using most common cutting tools such as steel dies, laser, water jet or oscillating knives. Hand tools such as shears, roller cutters, etc. can also be used. Texon Vogue is an excellent material for cutting thin strips to use in belt straps, bags or jewellery, for example, because it is less elastic than leather and tear resistant.

Texon Vogue does not contain PVC and can also be cut with a laser. However, the size and speed of the laser must be precisely controlled to avoid burning the edges. For die cutting, it is recommended using a maximum of four layers (0.55mm), to ensure cut patter accuracy. Ensure cutting dies are sharp, and the cutting board is in good condition, for accurate and clean cutting.

What needs to be considered for plotting Texon Vogue?

For an optimal result, it is recommended the following plotter settings,

- Set the knife to 10
- Speed to 1
- Thickness to 33

For the plotter, for best results, use Texon Vogue in the original state not pre-washed because it will have an even height. These are just recommendations and results can vary depending on the type of machine, fabrics and colours etc., are used during the working process with Texon Vogue. *This recommendation does not replace your own Tests.*

What type of adhesives work best with Texon Vogue?

Texon Vogue can be adhered with most types of water based and hot-melt adhesives, following the manufacturer's instructions.

Can Texon Vogue be stitched?

Texon Vogue can be sewn with typical lockstitch or overlock machines. If using an overlock sewing machine equipped with a trimming blade, the blade must be sharpened frequently and avoid use of a dull blade. It is recommended not to reverse stitch or overlap stitches.

Is a special needle required for stitching Texon Vogue?

Texon Vogue can be sewn using most types of sewing machine needles. Two or more layers can be sewn without difficulty, depending on the size of the needle and efficiency of the sewing machine. Slightly moistening the sewing area with a damp brush or sponge will help reduce friction and the risk of thread breakage. The following dimensions should provide good results in most cases:

- Needle thickness 80-100 EU standard or 12-16 US standards
- Stitch length 3.50 mm or 6-8 stitches per inch
- Avoid stitching too close to the edge.

Needle sizes

Needle packages are marked with two size numbers. The higher the number is the European metric system and defines the needle shaft diameter in fractions of a millimetre. The lower number is the American numbering system (see chart below).

| European | American |
|----------|----------|
| 60 | 8 |
| 65 | 9 |
| 70 | 10 |
| 75 | 11 |
| 80 | 12 |
| 85 | 13 |
| 90 | 14 |
| 100 | 16 |
| 110 | 18 |

How to use Texon Vogue for bags or other articles that are stitched inside out.

For ease of turning bags or other articles that are stitched inside out, lightly moisten the stitch area of Texon Vogue before sewing. Pre-washing Texon Vogue gives even better results and creates a soft, vintage look.

What printing method works best with Texon Vogue?

Texon Vogue can be printed many ways, including hot stamping and foil transfer. Texon Vogue can also be painted with crayons and pencils. *It is always recommended to perform a washing test before beginning printing in mass production.*

Recommended Printing Methods:

- Silk screen printing.
- Offset printing, preferably used with ultra violet inks to speed up drying time.
- UV printing can be offered to ensure that the label and hence the garment are the genuine article.

Does a varnish need to be applied before printing on to Texon Vogue?

Most applications have no need to use varnish on the high quality Texon Vogue which may provide cost reduction for not using additional materials and processing costs.

For more information about Texon Vogue, contact sales@texon.com