# Headwear

When choosing a headpiece, make sure its model, color and size are suited to your needs. Take its intended purpose into account. It's important to follow all given guidelines. To ensure comfortable wear and longer product life, avoid: excessive and improper use (it's not recommended to wear the headpiece every day); machine and hand washing; exposure to water, sunlight and chemicals; improper storage etc.

Proper care ensures the headpiece stays in good condition and keeps its properties. Improper and inadequate care significantly shortens the product life.

# **Exploitation and care:**

- Store in a dark dry place; it's best to store your headpiece in a dedicated box.
- Remove dust regularly using a soft horsehair brush; always brush with the grain. Dust particles dissolved in water can form hard to remove stains.
- If your headpiece gets wet, straighten out creases and flip up the brim and the sweatband. Lay the headpiece on a clean flat surface and leave it to dry. Never lay it down on its brim, especially when it's wet. The extra weight can cause the brim to curl.
- If your hair or scalp are damp, lift up the sweatband and wait for the water to evaporate so the inside of the hat is dry.
- Never fold the hat or clean it using chemicals. Doing so could damage the headpiece and void the warranty.

# Hats:

- Do not machine wash or dry clean
- Hats are not waterproof unless stated otherwise. A light drizzle or a few rain drops are fine, however the hat will not replace an umbrella.
- Small stains can be removed using a damp cloth. Gently rub the soiled spot, then reshape the hat and leave to dry.
- Remove any dirt/debris using a horsehair brush and steam to refresh (use a steam device, iron, kettle or boiling water, from at least 30 cm away). If you notice any deformations, the original shape can be partially restored by steaming the hat and molding it back to its original shape. Leave it to dry once you're done.

- Small grease stains can be removed using a cloth soaked in an organic solvent (calcium hypochlorite, trichlor). Gently clean the stained area and mold the hat back to its original shape.
- If possible, store the hat on a plastic mannequin head or lay it with the brim facing up. This is especially important for hats with a wide brim.
- Protect from dust. If possible, keep the hat in a box or store in the closet.

## Summer hats:

- Made of natural materials (seagrass, straw, paper fibers)
- Never fold the hat, it could be permanently damaged
- Do not wet the hat to avoid deformation

## Sewn items:

- Do not machine wash to avoid shrinking and deformation
- Remove stains using a damp cloth or a sponge with a traditional solvent (e.g. turpentine) mixed with a small amout of water

#### Knitwear:

• Do not wash. Knitwear can only be dry cleaned using e.g. tetrachloroethylene, preferably at a dry cleaner's

## Symbols and labels:

- 1. Do not machine wash. Handle with care when wet
- 2. Do not dry clean
- 3. Do not bleach with chlorine
- 4. Do not tumble dry
- 5. Do not iron (steaming is allowed)