

Dylon Cold Water Dye Instructions

Product Information

- Suitable fabrics are cotton, linen, viscose and wool.
- Lighter shades on polyester/cotton mixes because polyester and other pure synthetics do not pick up dye.
- Lighter results on wool and silk.
- One pack will dye up to 250g / 8oz dry weight fabric (125g / 4oz for A52 Black).
- You will also need Cold Dye Fix, 125g / 4oz of salt, rubber gloves, flat-bottomed bowl.

How to use

1. Weigh dry fabric. Wash fabric thoroughly even if new and leave damp.
2. Fill a flat-bottomed bowl with enough cold water to cover article (do not use a bath or sink unless stainless steel, as it may stain).
3. Wearing rubber gloves, dissolve dye in 500ml/1 pint hottest tap water. Stir well and add to bowl.
4. Dissolve 125g/4oz salt and 1 sachet Cold Fix in hottest tap water and add to bowl. (For Black, use 250g/8oz salt and 2 sachets of Cold Fix).
5. Put in unfolded damp article. Dye for 1 hour (3 hours for Black).
6. Agitate continually for first 10 minutes, then occasionally after that, keeping fabric submerged.
7. Rinse in cold water until water runs clear, then wash in hot water with usual washing detergent.
8. Dry away from direct heat and sunlight. Wash article separately for the first few washes to remove excess dye.

Additional instructions for Wool

1. Hottest tap water must be used instead of cold in the dye bowl
2. Use 375ml / 13fl.oz of vinegar instead of salt and cold fix.
3. Use warm water to rinse and wash after dyeing.

How to use Cold Dye on Wood

1. Rub down to bare wood, removing previous coatings. Wipe clean with white spirit.
2. Wearing rubber gloves, dissolve dye in 500ml/1 pint of warm tap water.
3. Apply dye evenly using a brush, sponge or cloth working in the direction of the grain.
4. Allow to dry.
5. For darker shades apply further coats of dye, allow drying between coats.
6. Apply any clear wood varnish to seal the colour.