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## Daily Care, Disinfection, and Storage for Tingley Pylon Boots

Tingley Pylon® Dipped Neoprene Boots offer exceptional comfort, slip resistance, and chemical resistance. Daily care, disinfecting (if desired), and storage information is presented below for Pylon boots.

**Daily Care:** At a minimum, the boots should be rinsed at the end of the shift with copious quantities of clean water (temperature range between 10°C and 45°C) to remove any contaminants, cleaners, or disinfectants to which the boots may have been exposed during wear.

**Cleaning:** Longevity of the boots can be further enhanced by washing the exterior of the boots with mild soap/detergent and warm water (temperature range between 25°C and 55°C). A soft-bristled brush may be used to aid in removing particulates. Boots should then be allowed to air dry for at least 6 hours before redonning. Removing the insole (aka footbed) for air drying may be required for individuals with excessive foot perspiration. Before redonning, inspect the boots on both the interior and exterior for nicks, punctures, cuts, cracks, tears, hardening, discoloration, or any other signs of degradation. If any of these degradation signs are found the boots should be considered unfit for use and discarded in accordance with all local, state, and federal requirements.

First, prepare a cleaning solution. There is a wide range of solutions that can be used for this. The following is offered as an example. Please consult your local Tingley representative if you have a specific question on a cleaning solution.

**Commercially Available Detergent Cleaning Solution:** To clean the boot exterior, mix a solution of one teaspoon liquid, heavy-duty laundry detergent that contains enough enzymes to break apart soil (Tide and Persil are considered heavy-duty) and two cups warm water (temperature range between 25°C and 55°C). Soak a clean cloth in the solution and wipe down the entire exterior of the boot. Rinse the exterior with plenty of warm water to rinse away the detergent solution.

**Disinfecting (If Desired):** Tingley Pylon boots may be disinfected on the exterior. Exterior disinfecting is typically accomplished by requiring employees to walk through a disinfecting bath or mechanized boot washer upon entering or exiting a work area.

**Storage:** Boots may be stored for longer periods of time provided they are kept in a cool, dry location away from direct sunlight and heat. Before use, inspect the boots on both the interior and exterior for nicks, punctures, cuts, cracks, tears, hardening, discoloration, or any other signs of degradation. If any of these degradation signs are found the boots should be considered un-fit for use and discarded in accordance with all local, state, and federal requirements.

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**Replacement Insoles:** The following are OEM insole replacements which are available from Tingley Rubber Corporation.

**OEM Insoles - Style CI124, Replacement Polyurethane Contour Insole**

These insoles resist compression set for long wear comfort and are constructed of three layers. The top layer is made of polypropylene for moisture wicking and absorption. The middle is polyurethane with open cell construction for breathability. The bottom layer is made of polyethylene, which conforms to the shape of the foot for secure placement. These insoles are more economical than the Gel-Cushioned insoles and will fit well with any of Tingley's PVC boots (Premier G2, Profile, Pulsar, and Pilot G2). These insoles also fit well with Tingley's Steplite X, Airgo, Pylon and Flite boots. Available in four sizes (SM – XL). Sold by the pair.

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