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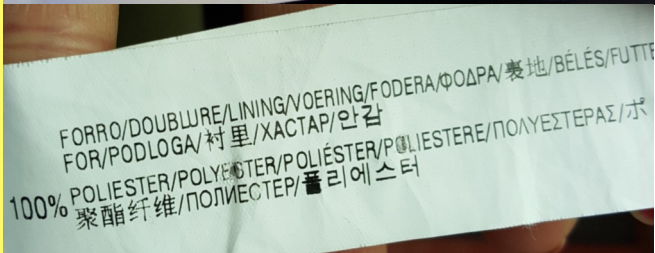
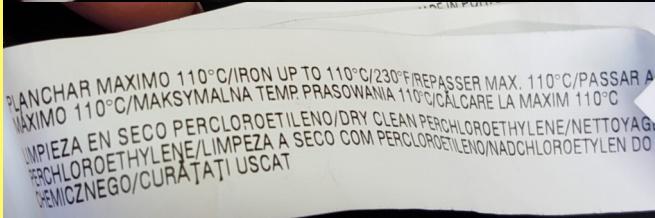
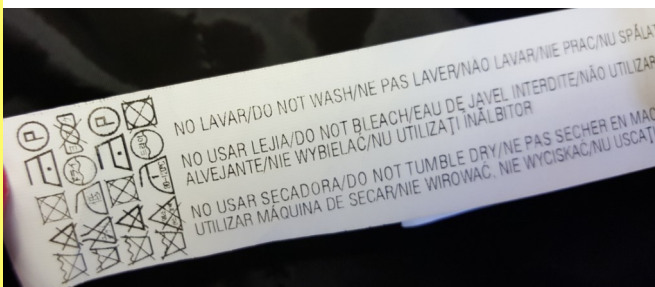
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AMBER ALERT

Zara Woman Brown Jacket

Care Label says dry clean in perchloroethylene, do not wash, do not tumble dry, iron with a cool iron maximum temperature 110°C.

The fibre content says it is 100% polyester, and this may refer only to the lining, but if you look at the second and third photographs after cleaning you can see broken fibres of elastane (Lycra) showing through.



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Poorly labelled garment and the outer fabric is not identified adequately on the fibre content portion of the label.

There was no sign of the elastane on the surface prior to cleaning and the cleaner followed the advised procedure on the care label.

Obviously the fabric had not been tested to BS EN ISO 3175 for Textiles –Dry Cleaning and Finishing And the dry cleaner could not have foreseen this happening because of the fibre mixture not being present on the fibre content label.



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“Obviously we cannot say that other items of the same type will have the same problem, or that a different method of cleaning may have had a more satisfactory result, because this was not tested, but we advise caution and that you carry out your own test if you are going to clean this type of garment.”