SAFETY INFORMATION SHEET

LAUNDRY & DYEING

WHAT THIS SHEET APPLIES TO:
Dyeing, washing and drying fabric and/or clothing in the Laundry & Dye Rooms

RISKS INCLUDE:
Contact with dye (powdered and liquid). Contact with bleach/detergent.

GUIDELINES, RULES, AND PROCEDURES:

- All persons working in the laundry/dye area must have the approval of the Department of Theater Costume Shop Manager.
- Know the location of the nearest first-aid kit and fire alarm pull boxes.
- Know the location of the nearest fire extinguisher and how to use it.

WHEN DYEING FABRIC:
- Look at MSDS sheets for the product before using.
- Use proper ventilation, use box fan if necessary.
- Wear rubber gloves to protect your skin.
- Wear protective clothing (lab coat).
- Wear goggles if you use caustic dyes or corrosive chemicals.
- Wear dust mask if using large amounts of powdered dye.
- Unplug hotplate after using.

WHEN USING THE WASHING MACHINE:
- Turn on the water supply to use.
- Turn OFF the water supply when done.
- Remain in the area while in use.

WHEN USING THE DRYER:
- Remove the lint from the screen when done.
- Remain in the area while in use.

FOR FURTHER UNDERSTANDING:

Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) in the Costume Shop.

The costume designer’s handbook: a complete guide for amateur and professional costume designers / Rosemary Ingham, Liz Covey
New York: Prentice-Hall Press, 1986, c1983,