

SHATNEZ LABORATORY

CONSUMER ALERT

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Banana Republic Raincoats



Shatnez was discovered in a 100% Polyester
Banana Republic Raincoat

Contents Label:

Shell: 100% Polyester
Body Lining: 54% Viscose 46% Polyester
Sleeve Lining: 100% Polyester
Lining upper part: 100% Cotton
Lower part: 61% Wool, 22% Polyester,
10% Viscose, 7% Other Fibers

Country of Origin: Indonesia

Shatnez: These polyester raincoats have a gray under collar felt fabric comprised of wool and linen (see picture).

The Lesson: Raincoats that list wool in the contents label must be checked for shatnez. In addition to the above, it is important to note that many jackets (even non wool) and wool coats made by Banana Republic have been found with Shatnez in numerous places.



Recent Incident: A shatnez tester was visiting a dry cleaner in Lakewood when a customer brought in three suits, requesting that they be cleaned for the following day. After the customer left, the shatnez tester noticed that one suit was a Banana Republic (China) with no Shatnez label. He asked the attendant if he could look at the suit. A quick scrape revealed linen and wool under the collar. The owner was informed and gave permission to remove the shatnez.

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