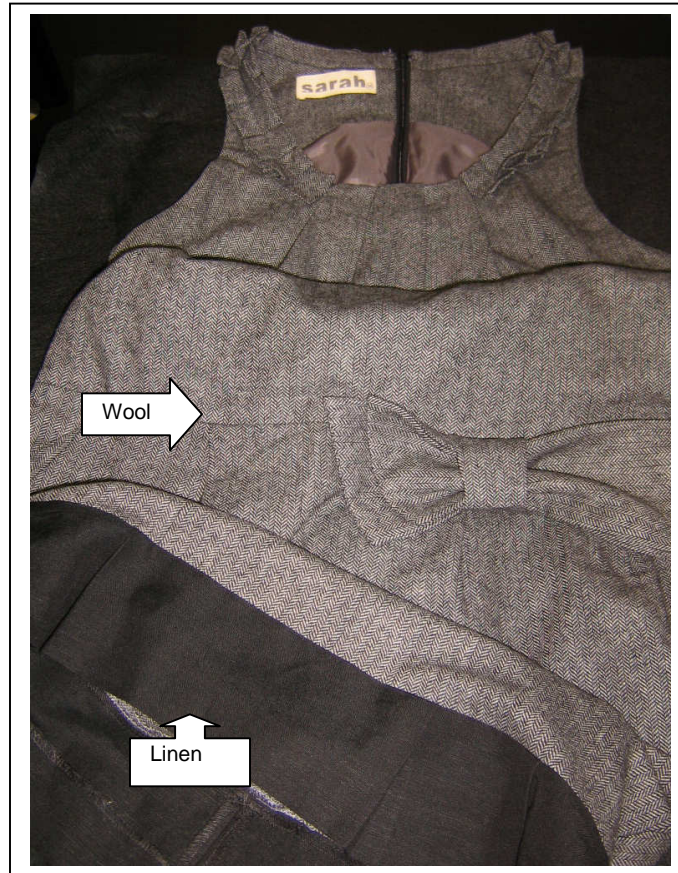


Kehilla Shatnez Testing Service of Los Angeles

345 No. La Brea Blvd. Suite 204 Los Angeles, CA 90036 323-936-8760

Consumer Alert

Beware of Alterations!



The fabric of the jumper in the picture above is a black and white herringbone, 50% wool and 50% polyester. The fabric at the bottom is 50% linen and 50% polyester, with linen in one direction and polyester in the other direction.

How it was discovered: After listening to a shatnez demonstration at school where the linen look was emphasized, an attentive girl asked her mother to have her jumper checked. The garment had been altered and the black piece was added for length. She was sharp enough to recognize a linen look, noting that the label listed wool.

The lesson: Have an altered garment checked for shatnez because an added piece can introduce shatnez.

Here is another example from Yaakov Gurwitz, Har Nof:

The Best of Intentions

A woman attempted to close the slit of her skirt with a piece of fabric. She ended up with shatnez! The skirt is a wool blend and the fabric used to fill in the slit contains linen.

