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Consumer Alert

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Tailoring & Alterations



Silk-and-wool
panel added
by a
seamstress

Linen blend

The actual skirt is a linen blend and the panel is a silk-and-wool fabric.

The seamstress who added the panel guaranteed the customer that it was not wool. Unfortunately, as a result, Shatnez was worn for approximately one year. The Lakewood Shatnez Laboratory removed the panel and the seamstress replaced it at no extra charge. However, she replaced it with the same silk-and-wool fabric. Now she said she will replace it again; however, the customer must supply the fabric.

The lesson we learn from this: Prior to alterations, any shoulder pads or pieces of material should be tested to determine their true content, before being added by a tailor or seamstress.

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