

Consumers Want to Know

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Sometimes I feel I'd like to object to a TV commercial. How can I find out what agency prepared the commercial?

You can write or telephone your objection to the television station and it will be forwarded to the agency. The same procedure is recommended for misleading advertising on radio, or in newspapers and magazines.

Isn't there a law that punishes businesses that advertise items at low prices and then try to sell consumers a more expensive model?

This is called "bait and switch" advertising which is considered a deceptive practice and should be reported to the Better Business Bureau or other consumer protection agencies in your area.

Does the purchase price of a mobile home include furnishings?

Yes, the basic home furnishings including carpeting, curtains and draperies, furniture, kitchen and heating appliances, freight charges, plus the cost of setting the home on the site are usually included in the purchase price.

Is it true that book clubs have been outlawed? If so, when did the law go into effect?

New regulations have been proposed by the Federal Trade Commission to regulate sales plans often used by book and record companies. The regulation does not outlaw this method of selling.

What kinds of products must be packaged in child resistant packages?

All packages for aspirin and all packages for products containing aspirin—powder preparations, suppositories, chewing gum, effervescent tablets and cold pills—and like medications are included in the requirement.

Happy Homemaking

By BARBARA BAKER

The next time your hubby buys windshield wiper blades, save an old one to use when your windshield fogs on the INSIDE. You can wipe the fog away without streaking or smearing the glass.

When setting the table with your good crystal and sterling silver, wear white gloves to avoid finger marks.

Cut a thin slice from the stem end of a red or green pepper and clean out the center. Use this as a container for salad dressing to be placed in the center of a mold or bowl of salad. It makes an appealing holder for a dip surrounded by chips or crackers.

When wrapping presents for a family birthday party, decorate one big box to hold all the gifts. On each gift, attach a long ribbon that comes out of the box to create a sort of grab bag. There will be no "open mine first" arguments in the family.

To tie tight, secure packages to be mailed, use wet string. It shrinks as it dries and thus gets tighter.

Keep a whisk broom on a hook under your ironing board to have handy when ironing linty clothes.

When ironing curtains, pin a pillowcase to your waist and keep the dampened curtain inside. Pull it out as you iron. This keeps the damp curtains from getting soiled.

Do not discard shoulder pads from old dresses or suits. Simply sew two together and use as a pressing form. You will wonder how you ever got along without one, especially when pressing those hard-to-get-at places.

When ironing, hang all the garments together that are to go in each closet and you'll eliminate the need for sorting when they are ready.

to put away. Also, sort your mending in the same manner and put it aside as you come to it. Then, you can just sit down at the machine with an assortment of threads and do it all at once.

To make your ironing board easier to move about, set each leg in a glass coaster.

Use a clean sponge on your stove top as a spoon holder. It is handy to clean up any spills and can be washed and rinsed along with the dishes.

If baby's plastic pants are washed in hot water and rinsed in hot water, they will stay soft much longer. Quick drying, as over a register, also helps. It is the rinsing in cold water that hardens them.

Dip cotton swabs in oil before cleaning the children's ears. This cleans the wax off without pressure.

When teaching a baby the art of drinking from a glass, hold a sponge under his chin. This is a real help for new mothers and encourages one to keep on pursuing what could be a messy task, and baby comes out without a drip.

If small children hate to have their faces washed, use dad's shaving brush to get up a good lather and they will love it.

Use a length of chain in your clothesline. If your line sags, simply pull it tight and put the next chain link over the hook that holds the line. Presto! Your line is tight again.

Plastic tablecloths seem so porous that it is hard to keep them looking new without rubbing the design off with household cleansers. Try using some hair shampoo on a wet sponge. It gets the dirt off but not the design.

Hire the handicapped—a reservoir of competent, dependable help.



by MARY LEE

In grandma's day they used to joke about "Monday wash-day blues". Today, washing is no joke. It almost takes a college degree in laundering before you can wash a pair of nyons.

The controversy over whether to use a phosphate or non-phosphate or return to laundry soap is enough to confuse anyone, even a trained ecologist. Obviously, the final solution is yet to be found.

Meanwhile, you have to consider all sorts of variables if you want clean clothes: the softness or hardness of the water; its temperature; the type, color and flame-retardant protection of the fabric; the kind of soil to be removed; the size of the wash load; plus your own standards of cleaning and environmental considerations.

One laundry expert suggests the following tips to lessen wash day confusion: First, save all hangtags and laundry instructions for reference in case memory fails. Second, dissolve detergent and/or bleach in the water before you add your clothes. Then sort laundry and wash heavily soiled items separately. Delicate fabrics require different handling.

Also try using less soap or detergent. Many homemakers use too much detergent which leaves a gray residue on fabrics and a rough feel. So, follow directions on the package, and then, by trial and error, reduce the amount until any residue vanishes and your clothes feel softer.

Detergents containing bleaching agents can cause fading and also discoloration when used in the concentrated state. So, be sure the article is colorfast. To test for colorfastness, wet a small, inconspicuous part of the fabric, rub in detergent, let stand for 10 minutes, and then rinse.

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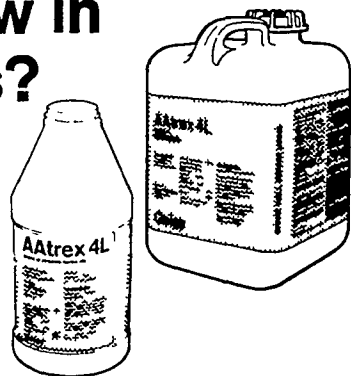
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