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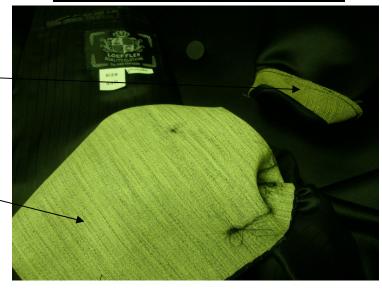
CONSUMER ALERT

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Loefler Beketche

Cuffs reinforced with Linen

Interlining contains wool



Pictured above is a Polyester "Loeffler" beketche. The cuffs of the sleeves were reinforced with a linen canvas, while the interlining contains a significant amount of wool.

Question: Why was linen used in the cuff reinforcement?

Answer: A Polish seamstress in Lakewood added the canvas when she shortened the sleeves.

This incident illustrates that alterations such as lengthening a skirt, adding shoulder pads, shortening sleeves and repairing a tear can turn a Shatnez-free garment into a Shatnez garment. Altered garments should be sent for retesting.

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