HEADWEAR CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS

Care and cleaning of shako hats:

- Hand wash with mild soap and cold water using a sponge.
 Wipe away excess and then let air dry.
- Armor All is an excellent product to clean and treat vinyl, but should not be used on fabric covered shakos.
- Magic Erasers are excellent for removing stains and discoloration on vinyl. Do not use excess pressure when using a Magic Eraser so as not to scar or scuff the finish.
- Spot cleaners such as Shout or Spray and Wash are acceptable methods of cleaning stains.
- If the shako is covered fully or partially with fabric and not vinyl, use a large toothbrush with diluted mild soap or Woolite to clean and air dry.
- It is best to remove all metal parts, such as front chains and side buttons.
- Special care must be taken with embroidered shakos. Do not apply cleaning products of any kind to soak or permeate embroidery. Never put hats in a dryer!

 If shakos are subjected to rain, dry off excess moisture with a towel and air dry with fans circulating. Never leave wet shakos in a hat box or garment bag.

PLUMES

Plumes of any kind are not washable or dry cleanable.

PLUMES SHOULD NEVER BE WORN WHEN A THREAT OF RAIN EXISTS!

NOT ONLY WILL THE PLUMES BE RUINED, THE DYE WILL RUN ONTO THE HATS AND UNIFORM JACKETS. THIS DYE CANNOT BE REMOVED. STANBURY WILL NOT WARRENTY UNIFORMS DAMAGED BY WEARING PLUMES IN INCLEMENT WEATHER.

IF YOU ARE CAUGHT IN A SUDDEN RAINSTORM, QUICKLY HAVE THE STUDENTS REMOVE THE PLUMES AND PUT THEM INSIDE A COAT SLEEVE UNTIL THEY CAN BE COLLECTED AND STORED.