

WALKAROUND MASCOT CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS

The best cleaning is preventative cleaning. How? Treat your WalkAround mascot like you would treat your most expensive clothes.

Always get **in** and **out** of your shape on a carpeted area. If carpet is not available, have a bed sheet or large beach towel to lie down.

Never lay your shape down on asphalt, dirt, concrete or dirty/greasy floors.

CLEANING SUPPLIES:

- Clean rags (Best is “rags in a box” from Wal-Mart, auto supply store, etc.)
- Hand spray bottle of Febreze®
- Hand spray bottle of water
- Hand spray bottle of soap & water (Mild, like Ivory soap, mixed 20% soap, 80% water)
- Hand spray bottle of rubbing alcohol
- Lysol® spray
- Optional: Signs & Shapes 110 Dryer/Blower for WalkArounds.

SIGNS AND SHAPES has a nation-wide WalkAround rental program. We have found the following cleaning procedures work well.

CLEANING YOUR WALKAROUND MASCOT

1. Wipe feet, legs, hands, and whole costume down, if possible, with a dry rag before the wearer gets out. With a dry rag, the costume can be packed away immediately, depending on the environment conditions. The ideal thing is to unzip suit and turn arms, hands and fingers inside out to air out 15 to 30 min. It should never be packed away if the shape is wet from rain or it is hot and the wearer is sweaty. A damp cloth may be used to wipe down costumes if you are able to leave the costume inflated after the wearer gets out.
2. On a regular basis, depending on use, lay the deflated costume out on a table or drop cloth and clean it. Dampen a clean cloth with a mild soap/water mixture and wipe the costume down and wipe removable marks and spots. **BE ESPECIALLY GENTLE ON PAINTED FABRIC AND LOGOS.** Then wipe down with spray water only to remove soap and let dry.
3. Dampen a clean rag with rubbing alcohol and wipe off **only unpainted sections** (no logos, face features or special color painted on material) of the shape. Also do the tops of the feet and then wipe the bottoms of the feet off.

4. For stubborn dirty spots, only use rubbing alcohol. Do NOT use any chemicals. Call Signs & Shapes—402-331-3181.
5. After cleaning or if your WalkAround is wet, inflate the costume with either the optional Signs & Shapes 110 blower or by connecting your PowerBelt assembly, placing it in the foot of the costume and leaning it up against a wall. BE SURE THAT YOU RUN THE BLOWER WITH A NEW BATTERY FOR NO MORE THAN 2 HOURS—TO KEEP FROM DAMAGING THE BATTERY.
6. Spray a small amount of Lysol and/or Febreze into the costume through the zipper opening (avoid spraying it directly onto the costume). This will keep your shape fresh.
7. Leave the mascot inflated for at least ½ an hour to allow it to “air-out” after being used and to ensure it is completely dry from use and/or the cleaning. If you do not have a place to inflate it, leave it out of the box and pull the hands, the fingers and the arms inside out so that the inside of the hands can dry out.
8. After your WalkAround mascot is thoroughly dry and fresh, lay shape face down and place the soles of the feet together and fold the costume’s left and right sides together. Start at the head of the costume and roll the shape up like a sleeping bag—the view window needs to be on the outside of the roll. Do not roll too tightly and avoid creasing the window panel(s). Place the shape into some kind of thin plastic bag and put it into the red shipping box, on top of the PowerBelt, batteries, charger and other material.
9. Again: **NEVER** pack your WalkAround mascot away wet, damp or “unfresh”. You must dry it out. Never leave your WalkAround in a hot car trunk.

REMEMBER: YOU GET A FREE CLEANING EVERY SIX MONTHS FOR THE LIFE OF YOUR WALKAROUND – ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS PAY FOR THE UPS CHARGES BACK BOTH WAYS. IF YOUR WALKAROUND NEEDS REPAIRS, WE CALL YOU FOR PRIOR APPROVAL.