

To Safety Co-ordinators (for onward transmission to Deans of Faculty, Heads of Schools, Safety Advisors, Safety Representatives)

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Sending lab and workshop coats for laundering

The photograph below is of items retrieved from washing machines following one wash sent from the University on 25/4/06. Laundry staff have previously suffered needle stick injury and therefore are not permitted to check pockets before loading the machines. There is now a concern that some of the items discovered in this load could foul up the very large commercial washing machines, and could also lead to personal injury for maintenance staff.

Please remind those people who send items for laundering that all pockets must be checked and emptied before they are placed in the receptacle and bagged up for sending to the laundry.



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