# Removing pills from clothes

To remove the pills, you need to waste a lot of time tearing every single pill off manually. You can use special devices for the procedure. Housewives will advise you how to remove pills from clothes and what devices help in solving this difficult problem.

## Reasons for the forming

Pills is the main sign that a piece of clothes is starting to wear out. If your beloved sweater, skirt, dress, coat or other has this sign of aging, it means that you do not take care about it or make mistakes during washing or laying-up. Let’s immediately figure out where and why pills appear on clothes:

* Because of the composition of the fabric: it is known that if the fabric is natural (wool, linen, cotton), the formation of pills is inevitable, and if the fabric is of synthetic materials, this problem appears less often.
* Selecting a wrong wash mode. Each type of material has its own washing parameters: temperature, duration, spin speed and others.
* Use of inappropriate detergents. In addition to excellent gentle stain removal washing powders for delicate fabrics are characterized by a carefully selected composition that takes care of clothing and prevents the formation of pills.
* Looseness of threads. Loose twisted threads are more prone to this problem than tightly twisted threads.
* Frequent friction of some sections of clothing. For this reason, pills often appear in an armpits section, in the place of contact with a bag (when wearing it on the shoulder).

## Removing pills

You can remove pills only mechanically. An alternative to manual removal is the use of some improvised materials (completely unsuitable for this process, at first glance. How to remove pills from clothes with some devices, read on.

### Specifically designed machine

A shaver was invented specifically for this purpose. All that you should do is to insert the batteries and press the button, then without pressing process the problem areas of the clothing in circular motions. You can remove pills with this way from clothes made of knitwear, cotton, wool and others.

Only a devise with the function of adjusting the height of a knife can remove pills from mohair or angora clothes.

Such devices are more expensive but the range of their treatment is much wider.

### Razor

Solving the problem with a razor will cause a little more inconvenience and will probably damage the product (you need to work keenly and carefully). Several conditions must be met:

1. Stretch the product intensely.
2. The shaving machine should not be new.
3. Run a razor from bottom up on clothes.

It is convenient to remove pills in that manner from small things (hats, socks, mittens, gloves or tights). If the thing is large, such processing will take much longer, there is a rick of damaging to clothing. Be sure to monitor the tension of the fabric. Another disadvantage of this method: you cannot use it for long-haired things (angora. mohair).

### Sticky tape

How you remove the pills with it? Sticky tape does not cope well with the problem (depending on the type of fabric). It is very simple to use:

1. Cut off the tape.
2. Hold to the fabric.
3. Make flat to the fabric.
4. Tear off with an abrupt movement.

They can remove only small pills.

You can also use a sticky roller. You can buy it or make of a bottle and double-sided tape. It is usually used to remove adhering hairs and pet hair from coats, hats and other things. You can try to remove the pills with it too.

### Scissors

You will have to spend about the same amount of effort as when removing with your bare hands (without devices). The pills should be removed one after one. It can damage the fabric.

### Hairbrush

If the pills are large enough, you can comb the product. Most of the pills will stay on the brush. The bristles should be thick and shallow.

### Toothbrush

It will help you to manage the problem on long-hair products (mohair, angora). The brush should be soft and the movements should be light in the direction of the fibers. You should wash the product in special liquid to give it fluffiness after the procedure.

### Sandpaper

It combines the effect of a razor and a brush. Sandpaper with fine grains is used and only on products without pile.

### Dried bread

Cut a piece of bread (it is better to make it thicker as it would not crumble) and dry it in the sun or in the oven. Carefully sweep with it clothing so as not to deform it. For dried bread it is better to use less crumble bread.

### Sponge for dishes

Its hard side removes pills. For this procedure it is better to use a dry new sponge.

How does one remove pills without participation? Apply to a dry cleaner. They will not only remove the signs of wear that have already appeared but also do preventive treatment so that they do not appear again.

## Prevent apparition

So that the pills bother you less often, you can delay their appearance on things. Here are some tips:

* Observe the washing, spinning and ironing modes (they are all indicated on labels).
* During hand washing do not rub or twist the knitted fabric.
* Use detergents marked “softening”.
* Use a conditioner regularly.
* Expensive clothes require special care so take it to a dry cleaner.

It is necessary to periodically carry out the procedure for removing pills at the first sign of appearance. So you will reduce the time of their removing in the future, and clothes will look neater.

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