

PeaceWolf Creations

Fursuit Care Guide – Dos & Don'ts

DO:

- ✓ Brush your suit often. Use a wire slicker brush and gently brush out any matting or tangles *with* the direction of the fur.
- ✓ Wear some sort of Under Armour or body suit. It will help keep you cooler, and keep sweat from damaging the fabric.
- ✓ Use a 50/50 mix of Isopropyl Rubbing Alcohol and Water as a good, affordable cleaning solution. Only use this on the inside of your suit.
- ✓ Store fursuit parts in a cool, dark, protected place, i.e. in a plastic tote in a high place in your closet.
- ✓ Allow your head and other parts of the suit to dry out before storage.
- ✓ Keep an emergency repair kit handy. Use needle and thread to fix seams. Use non-toxic industrial strength hot glue to re-attach any pieces, such as claws, that may come loose over time.
- ✓ Avoid messy situations. Watch CAREFULLY where you put your paws – everything and everyone you touch has the potential to be grimy, rusty, wet, etc. This is especially critical for suits with white fur.
- ✓ Shower and use deodorant often.
- ✓ Always have a handler with you when you're out in public.

DON'T:

- Overbrush your suit. You are not a real animal, so your hair does not grow back. Take care of your suit, but don't brush it constantly.
- Use Febreze, Endbac, or other similar disinfectants. They have harsh chemicals in them and have been proven to break down the foam and other materials in your fursuit over time, as well as leave a greasy residue behind.
- Leave suit parts exposed in sunlight or brightly lit areas. This will cause the colors to fade.

- Allow other people to pull, scratch, or poke at your suit, especially the head. Having a handler will prevent this. People can easily forget that you're a person and not a toy.
- Store your suit when it's wet or damp – this will cause mold to build up.
- Submerge your head in water. My heads are not waterproof.
- Use a hairdryer (unless it has a cold setting) or heater to dry suit parts. This will cause immediate damage to the fur fibers.

Following this guide religiously will help you get a longer life and more years of enjoyment from your custom built fursuit. Now get out there and have some fun!

Online Recommended Resources for Proper Fursuit Repair and Care:

Pocari Roo's "*The Bottle*" Episodes 9 and 10

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d!SoG8QbFKc>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FBAQXMCfcUE>

Sunny Valley Creations – *Fursuit Care Guide*

<http://www.sunnyvalleyc.com/fursuit-care>

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