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54 Fabric-softening composition.

57 A liquid fabric softening composition containing an aqueous base, not more than 8% of a cationic fabric softening agent, at least 0.2% of a C₈-C₂₄ fatty acid and a nonionic surfactant. The mole ratio of the cationic fabric softening agent to the nonionic surfactant is within the range from 40:1 to 1:1. The nonionic surfactant is added to give a composition which is stable to freeze thaw cycling.



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