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**Process and composition for treating fabrics.**

A process and composition for the domestic treatment of a fabric to reduce the amount of dye released from the fabric during wet treatments comprising the steps of contacting the fabric with a solution of the composition comprising a cationic dye fixing agent wherein the temperature of the solution is below 40°C throughout the process.

The invention has the advantage that dye transfer between coloured and white or coloured and coloured fabrics during wet treatments such as laundering is reduced.

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