

Glossary of Terms

1x1 Rib - Also 2x2 rib knit trim. The width of each rib is the same as the width between each rib. This helps the garment retain its elasticity.

2-Way Zipper - A zipper with two zipper pulls so that it can be unzipped from either direction.

4-Needle Stitched - Double-Needle stitched but with four stitches.

All-Weather Micro-Fiber - 100% Polyester Micro-Fiber with waterproof coating and fully taped seams. 100% waterproof.

Anti-Pill - A treatment applied to garments primarily to resist the formation of little balls on the fabric's surface due to abrasion during wear.

Argyle - Typically a diamond pattern woven into a garment.

Baby Pique - Very small pique knit. See Pique Knit.

Back Pleats - Tiny folds in the material on the back of a garment that allow for more room and comfort.

Back Yoke - A piece of fabric that connects the back of a garment to the shoulders. This allows the garment to lay flat and drape nicely.

Basket Weave Knit - A process of weaving yarns back and forth resulting in a two-tone appearance.

Birdseye Jacquard - A small geometric pattern with a center dot knit into the fabric.

Blanket Stitch - A decorative stitch used to finish an un-hemmed blanket. The stitch can be seen on both sides of the blanket.

Box Pleat - A single, uniform fold in the center back of a garment to allow for more room and comfort.

Brushed Cotton - Cotton fabric that is brushed to remove all the excess lint and fibers from the fabric, leaving an ultra soft, smooth finish.

Button-Through Sleeve Placket - A small placket located on the sleeve, by the cuff, which contains a single button closure.

Cami-Strap - Very narrow shoulder straps.

Casual Micro-Fiber - 100% Polyester Micro-Fiber fabric that is water repellent and wind resistant.

Cavalry Twill - A type of Twill Weave (Pattern of the Twill).

Chambray - A dressier fabric woven with white threads across colored threads.

Collarette - The trim around the neck of a t-shirt or sweatshirt.

Combed Cotton - Cotton yarn that has been combed to remove short fibers and straighten or arrange longer fibers in parallel order resulting in a smooth yarn used in finer garments.

Cool Mesh - Similar to a pique knit but with a more open texture for increased breathability. Features a soft hand for better comfort.

Cool Weave - Similar to a pique knit, but with a more open texture for increased breathability. Slightly larger knit than Cool Mesh, it has a denser feel.

Cord Locks - A stopper or toggle on a draw cord that keeps the cord from retracting into the garment.

Cover Seamed - A finish in which two needles are used to create parallel rows of visible stitching. It is used around the neck, armholes, waistband, and wrists of garments to create a cleaner, more durable finish.

Denier - A density of the weave in a nylon or polyester product.

Double-Needle Stitched - A finish used on a sleeve and/or bottom hem that uses two needles to create parallel rows of visible stitching. It gives the garment a cleaner, more finished look and adds durability.

Dry-Fiber - A high activity sportswear fabric that absorbs, wicks and dries faster than average golf wear.

Drop Needle - A knit fabric characterized by vertical lines within the cloth. Manufactured by "dropping" a needle from the knitting cylinder.

Duck Cloth - Tightly woven fabric that provides wind and snag resistance.

Dyed-To-Match - Buttons or trims that are the same color as the garment onto which they are sewn.

EcoSpun - A fleece outerwear fabric made from at least 50% materials reclaimed from recycled plastic soda pop bottles.

End-on-End - A 2-ply weave of different color yarns that run parallel against each other so that both colors are visible.

Enzyme Washed - A laundering process in which a catalytic substance is added to create a chemical change in the fabric resulting in a very soft finish, smoother appearing surface and reduced shrinkage.

Etched Tone Buttons - A more upscale horn tone button with an etched pattern.

Extended Tail - When the back portion of the garment is longer than the front. Assists in keeping the garment tucked in during normal activity.

Eyelets - Small holes or perforations made in a series to allow for breathability. Finished with either stitching or brass grommets.

Full Cut - Refers to a garment's fit as being generous and roomy.

Garment Washed - A wash process where softeners are added to finished garments to help the cotton fibers relax or bloom. The result is a fabric with a thicker appearance, reduced shrinkage and a softer hand.

Garment Dyed - A dyeing process that occurs after the garment is assembled.

Herringbone - A chevron or zigzag pattern, knit into fabric.

High Profile - A cap style with a high slope structured with buckram—a stiff fabric lining. Less fitted to the head.

Horn Tone Buttons - Buttons that appear to be manufactured from horn.

Houndstooth - A medium sized broken check effect that is knit into the fabric.

Interlock Knit - A fabric that has a two ply knit simultaneously to form one thicker and heavier ply. It has more natural stretch than a jersey knit, a soft hand, and the same appearance and feel on both sides.

Iridescent Buttons - Buttons with a lustrous, rainbow-like hue.

Jacquard Knit - A pattern knit directly into the fabric during the manufacturing process. Typically, 2 or more colors are used.

Jersey Knit - This fabric has a definite smooth side, the outside, and a textured side, the inside.

Lamborder - A flat rib knit, with specified dimensions, which are used to function as a placket and placket facing.

Locker Loop - A looped piece of fabric in the neck of a garment for the convenience of hanging the garment on a hook. Can also be located at the center of the back yoke on the inside or outside of a garment.

Locker Patch - A semi-oval panel sewn into the inside back portion of a garment, just under the collar seam, to reinforce the garment and minimize stretching when hung on a hook. The patch also allows for the garment tag or label to be sewn below the neckline to help prevent irritation.

Low Profile - A cap style with a low slope that is more closely fitted to the head. Can be either structured or unstructured.

Matte Taslan - See Taslan but with a dull finish.

Mélange - A mix of different colors of yarns knit together to create a heathered effect.

Mercerized - A product that has gone through a process to produce a smooth, lustrous hand.

Mesh 0 Similar to a pique knit, but with a more open texture for increased breathability. Larger knit than Cool Weave.

Micro-Fleece - A high density, anti-pilling fleece made of knit micro-fibers that are brushed less than a regular fleece garment. It has a high capacity for warmth without the weight.

Micro-Fiber - This fabric is tightly woven from a very fine poly thread and has a suede finish for a luxurious, soft feel. Micro-Fiber fabric is naturally water repellent due to its construction process and when specially treated, can also be waterproof.

Micro-Cord - A very fine wale cord.

Micro-Stripe - An ultra-fine stripe that is knit into the fabric.

Mid-Profile - A cap with a slope height in between that of a High Profile and Low Profile. It is most often structured with buckram.

Mother of Pearl Logo Buttons - Buttons made from Mother of Pearl, with a logo inscribed on them.

Nail Head Design - A jacquard knitting pattern in which the jacquard forms a design similar to small nail heads.

Nublend™ - A combination of a knitting and spinning process developed by JERZEES® for their blended fleece that helps prevent pilling.

Over-Dyed - A process in which yarn dyed fabrics or piece dyed garments are put through an additional dye color to create unique colors.

Oxford - A type of fabric where the fibers are either cotton or blended man-made fibers.

Patch Pocket - A pocket attached to the outside of a garment.

Pearlized Buttons - Buttons that have a pearl-colored hue.

Pewter Buttons - Buttons that have a dull, metallic hue.

Pewter and Horn Tone Buttons - Buttons that incorporate pewter and horn tone, usually one encompasses the other.

Pigment Dyed - A type of dye used to create a distressed or washed look.

Pill-Free[®] - A process developed by Lee[®] to help prevent pilling on fleece garments.

Pique Knit - A knitting method that creates a fine textured surface that appears similar to a birds nest or waffle weave.

Placket - The part of a shirt or jacket where the garment fastens together.

Poly-Filled - A warm polyester lining found in the body or sleeves of outerwear garments. It has more loft than a regular nylon lining.

Polynosic - Features similar characteristics to cotton and silk, has excellent luster and very little shrinkage.

Popcorn Pique - Alternating rows of 2 different pique knits; one knit is a baby pique, while the other is a larger pique that resembles small circles knit closely together.

Poplin - A tightly woven, durable, medium weight cotton or cotton blend fabric made using a rib variation of the plain weave which creates a slight ridge effect.

Print Pro[™] - A knitting process developed by Hanes[®] for their fleece garments that creates a tighter knit for a better printing surface.

PVC - A polyurethane coating that is added to make garments water resistant.

Raglan Sleeves - Sleeves set with a diagonal seam from the neck to the armpit.

Rapid-Dry - A fabric designed with a unique weave to wick away moisture from the body.

Reverse Placket - See Placket, but reversed for women's garments.

Rib-Knit - A textured knit that has the appearance of vertical lines. It is highly elastic and retains "memory".

Ring Spun Yarn - Yarn made by continuously twisting and thinning a rope of cotton fibers. The twisting makes the short hairs of cotton stand out, resulting in a stronger yarn with a significantly softer hand.

R-Tek[™] **Fleece** - 100% polyester fleece with an anti-pill finish which prevents the formation of little balls on the surface of the fabric.

Sand Washed - A washing process in which the fabric is washed with very fine lava rocks or rubber/silicon balls resulting in a softer fabric with a relaxed look and reduced shrinkage.

Sculpted Hem - A hem that is softly rounded for fashion detail.

Self-Fabric Collar - A collar that is constructed from the same material as the body of the garment.

Self-Fabric Sweatband - Refers to headwear where the sweatband is constructed with the same fabric as the crown.

Serge-Stitch - An overcasting technique done on the cut edge of the fabric to prevent unraveling.

Side Vents - Slits found at the bottom of side seams. They are fashion details that allow for comfort and ease of movement.

Singles - A term used to indicate the diameter of a yarn; the smaller the number, the thicker the yarn.

Slash Pockets - A pocket that has to be entered through a slash on the outside of the garment. The pocket pouch is suspended from and attached to the slash.

Stone Washed - A washing process in which the fabric or garment is heavily washed with lava rocks or rubber/silicon balls. The result is a softer fabric with a distressed or weathered look and reduced shrinkage.

Storm Flap - A strip of fabric sewn under or over the front zip or snap closure of an outerwear garment to protect against wind and moisture.

Structured - A cap style with a lined front consisting of buckram, a stiff fabric that controls the slope of the cap.

Sueded Cotton - A fabric that goes through a brushing process to raise the nap and give the garment a soft hand.

Sueded Nylon - See Sueded Cotton.

Taped Seams - A strip of fabric sewn to the seam of a garment to prevent distortion. In outerwear, taped seams aid in waterproofing.

Taslan - Refers to how the fibers are woven and the resulting texture. Used mainly in outerwear garments, Taslan is a durable and water repellent nylon fabric with a slightly shiny surface.

Teklon - A rugged, stronger Taslan nylon that is water repellent.

Tencel - A fabric made from the cellulose found in wood pulp which is processed into a silk-like, delicate fabric.

Terra-Tek™ - A durable and water repellent Taslan with a matte finish.

Terry Velour - A type of material with uncut loops on both sides. It has a soft, plush feel and is water absorbent.

Triple-Needle Stitched - See Double-Needle Stitched but with 3 stitches.

Tone on Tone Jacquard Collar - See Jacquard Knit. The two colors being used are the same.

Tubular Collar - Collar which is knit in a tube form so it has no seams.

Tuck-In Tails - A shirt constructed so the back hem is longer than the front. This aids in keeping the shirt tucked-in during strenuous activities.

Tuck Stitch - Refers to the look of the knit where some stitches are actually under the other stitches. Gives the shirt a waffle-weave type texture and look.

Twill - A fabric characterized by micro diagonal ribs producing a soft, smooth finish.

Twill Tape Placket Lining - Twill tape is attached to the inside of the placket for a fashion effect.

Underarm Grommets - Small holes in the armpit area to allow breathability and air circulation.

Unstructured - A low profile cap style with a natural low sloping crown. No buckram has been added to the crown.

V-Patch - A section of material in a V shape that is sewn onto a garment directly under the collarete. Can provide support against stretching the neck opening and is also a style component.

Vents, Front & Back - Allow for breathability and may aid in ease of decoration, allowing the garment to be hooped and embroidered with no show-through on the inside of the garment. Some vents are tacked down and are for fashion purposes only.

Washer Nylon - A nylon garment treated with a special finish to produce a crinkled effect.

Weathered Twill - A special dye process resulting in a softer fabric with a weathered appearance that will continue to enhance with each wash.

Welt Collar and/or Cuffs - A single ply fabric with a finished edge that is used for collars and cuffs on sport shirts and short sleeve garments.

Wood Tone Buttons - Buttons that simulate a wood appearance.

Yarn Dyed - Yarn that has been dyed prior to the weaving or knitting of the garment.