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OTTER 30

Product Care

To maximize the lifespan and performance of your OTTER 30 backpack, it's essential to care for each of its components properly. Follow these specific guidelines for maintaining the TiZip zippers, Valmex PVC fabric, and other high-quality elements of the backpack.

TiZip Zipper Care

Best Practices:

Operate the zipper gently, pulling straight to avoid compromising the tightness. Avoid overstretching the zipper or forcing the two sides apart. Use the optional Q-Strap to minimize strain on the docking end and end pieces. Prevent folding or squeezing the zipper, as this can damage its integrity. When closing, ensure that the slider is positioned correctly in the docking end for optimal tightness.

Cleaning:

Remove dirt and debris from the zipper, especially between the teeth, with a fine brush and mild soapy water. Avoid using solvents or harsh cleaning agents that can damage the zipper's sealing lip and reduce its durability.

Lubrication:

Periodically apply TIZIP® lubricating grease around the docking end, both on the front and back, as well as at the transition to the zip chain on the inside. Do not apply grease along the entire zipper chain, as this may attract dirt. Remove any excess grease after application to prevent staining.

Storage:

Store your OTTER 30 backpack with the zipper fully closed, in a dry, clean state, and without any bending or folding of the zipper.

Valmex PVC Fabric Care:

The Valmex PVC material used in your OTTER 30 backpack is designed for durability and easy maintenance. However, proper care will help it retain its appearance and performance over time.

Cleaning:

For regular maintenance, use a mixture of mild dish soap and water to clean the fabric. Gently scrub with a soft cloth or sponge, then rinse thoroughly with fresh water. Avoid abrasive cleaning tools, which can damage the fabric's surface.

Drying:

After cleaning, thoroughly dry the inside and outside of the backpack with a soft cloth or paper towel. Leave the TiZip zipper open to allow any remaining moisture to evaporate. Ensure the backpack is fully dry before storage to prevent mildew.

Additional Tips:

Do not machine wash or dry the backpack in any heated appliance, as this can cause damage to the fabric and welding. General Care for Stainless Steel Components and High-Frequency Welded Seams.

Stainless Steel Components:

The stainless steel used in your OTTER 30 is resistant to corrosion, but it's advisable to rinse it with fresh water after exposure to saltwater or chemicals. Dry thoroughly with a cloth to prevent water spots, and store in a dry environment.

High-Frequency Welded Seams:

These seams are designed to be extremely durable, but avoid bending or creasing them excessively, as this can reduce their longevity over time. Clean with mild soap and water, avoiding harsh chemicals that could compromise the integrity of the welding.

By following these care guidelines, you'll ensure that your OTTER 30 backpack remains in top condition and continues to provide reliable protection for your gear, no matter where your adventures take you.