

## How to Strip Direct Dyes from Cellulosics

For goods that have been after-fixed, first remove the fixative by treating the material with 0.1% on weight of goods (owg) Hydrochloric Acid solution. Hold for 30 minutes, rinse, and neutralize with soda Ash.

### Partial Stripping

1. Boil good for 20 minutes in a bath containing:  
0.133 oz/gal(1.0 g/L) Sodium Carbonate  
0.5-1.0 % owg **Orcoterge ALK-N Conc™**
2. Cool to 120°F(49°C)
3. Overflow rinse until clear and drop bath.

### Complete Stripping

1. Prepare bath containing:  
0.07-0.133 oz/gal(0.5-1.0 g/L) Sodium Chlorite  
0.133- oz/gal(1 g/L) Formic Acid 85%
2. Run for 30-45 minutes at 185°F(85°C)
3. Overflow rinse until clear and drop bath.