

**New Jersey Law provides that after 90
days from the date of cleaning, articles
not called for may be sold at the
drycleaner's option.**

New Jersey statutes 2A:44 (1992) - 19.3, 19.4, 19.5 (see reverse of this sign for additional provisions)

*We would be happy to arrange suitable storage if
articles must be left for a prolonged period of time.*



North East Fabricare Association

The Law Governing Disposal of "Old Inventory"

In accordance with New Jersey statutes 2A:44 (1992), a drycleaner must keep a customer's clothes for a minimum of 90 days before selling them. The drycleaner is required to notify the customer by certified mail with a return receipt request at least 30 days prior to the sale. If the address is unknown, the drycleaner must post a notice of the sale in a prominent public place on the premises of the establishment.

If the customer fails to respond to the notification of the future sale, the drycleaner may sell the clothing. Once sold, the drycleaner may claim any and all monies due them from the sale. Such monies include:

1. All expected revenues from the drycleaning service that was provided including long term storage;
2. All costs associated with the notification of the sale to the customer;
3. All costs associated with the sale of the clothing.

The remaining proceeds must be returned to the customer. If the address of the customer is unknown, the drycleaner must keep the proceeds for six months after which they must be turned over to the municipality. Only after a drycleaner has made reasonable effort to sell the clothing, may the drycleaner give the clothes away.

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