



Two new, unusual ways to clean up

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I know a great many photographers who work very hard at their craft. Just hauling all the equipment needed for a professional photo shoot is a lot of work. By the time it's all wrapped up at the end of the day, a shower is really needed.

Interestingly, there are a couple new shower items on the market now that will come in handy for the active traveler. One is for those times with water readily available and one for times when there's no water to be had.

Paper Shower

Invented by an avid cyclist, there is finally a product that helps you clean up when there's either no water around or time doesn't permit a shower. [Paper Shower](#) is a combination of a separate moist towel and a dry towel, conveniently packed in individual, tear-open foil packs that are small enough to fit into your shirt pocket.

I know people who've tried to use moist towelettes intended for cleaning your hands after a messy meal, but these are so small and so highly scented that you end up smelling like a lemon. Even more importantly, they aren't big enough for a whole body wash, and the sticky feeling stays on your skin.

Enter the Paper Shower. Tearing open the separate sleeves for the moist and dry towels, I was immediately impressed with the size of the towels. These were bigger than a standard size wash cloth you get in a hotel. And durable. These things don't fall apart at all. Scrubbing...rubbing...doesn't matter – they hold together. And the dry towel – same deal, nice and sturdy, but soft and absorbent.

It's hard to say that many things are unscented, but these come as close as possible to that description. No smelly odors to deal with - just a nice moist towel that can be used whenever the need arises. And no messy, slimy, after-effects once you've finished.

Priced very economically, there's no reason to not pack a few of these in your bike bag, your tennis bag as well as your camera bag. You'll be glad you did. Check out their [website](#) to order.

De Odor Works



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How many of you have lost your deodorant to TSA agents because it was bigger than the 3 oz size allowed? Or just as bad, just as you went to use it, you discovered that it had reached the bottom and there was nothing left. Well now, you can replace it with something that never runs dry (ever) and isn't moist at all, so it doesn't even need to be shown to TSA agents.

Enter the small, sort of bone-shaped, stainless steel device known as [De Odor Works](#). Through a wonder of science, the combination of stainless steel and running water combine to effectively leave you odor free for 24 hours without the need for any deodorant or anti-perspirant.

Having thrown away my deodorant for 30 days now, I can vouch for it actually working. I was very skeptical at first, but it couldn't be simpler to use.

While in the shower, you merely rub this stainless steel device against your skin under running water. Just 30 seconds under your arms, in the groin area and under your feet does it. The actual odor causing bacteria are somehow defeated by this interaction of the stainless steel and water. End result is that you are odor free with no deodorant needed. Priceless. Check out their [website](#) for videos and testimonials.

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