

Carpet Stain Removal Guide

Water-Based Stains

Alcohol	Felt Tip Marker	Liquor
Cola	Food Stains	Milk
Baby Formula	(general)	Soil Spots
Beer	Fruit Juice	Soft Drinks
Blood	Fruit Punch	Syrup
Candy	Furniture Polish	Tomato Juice
Catsup	Grape Juice	Water Colors
Chocolate Milk	Graphite	Watermelon
Clay	Ice Cream	Whiskey
Cologne	Jelly	Wine
Cranberry Juice	Latex Paint	Vomit

STEP 1

- Use a spoon or dull knife to remove solid materials. For liquid spills, blot up with a white towel or paper towel.
- For large stains, work from the outside of stain to the center to prevent spreading.
- Mix a solution of 1/4 teaspoon of clear hand dish washing detergent with 1 cup of water. Stir gently.
- Apply detergent solution directly to a white cloth. Dampen the carpet fibers in the stained area with the cloth. Avoid saturating the carpet.
- Wipe gently. Turn cloth frequently. Never rub, scrub or use a brush. This may damage carpet fibers.
- If necessary, use your fingertips to work the solution to the base of the stain.
- Wet the stained carpet fibers with clear, lukewarm water to rinse.
- Cover the spot with an absorbent white towel or paper towel and apply pressure.
- Repeat rinsing and blotting until all traces of the detergent have been removed.
- If the stain is gone, place an absorbent white towel or paper towel over the area cleaned, and weigh towels down with a heavy, color-fast object, such as a weighted plastic wastebasket.
- Change towels or paper towels until carpet dries.
- If stain remains, proceed to Step 2.

STEP 2

Do NOT use on coffee, tea or urine stains.

- Mix 2 tablespoons of non-bleaching, non-sudsing household ammonia with 1 cup of lukewarm water.
- Apply ammonia solution, rinse and blot as outlined in Step 1.
- Do not dry with paper towels, Proceed to Step 3 to neutralize the ammonia solution.

STEP 3

- Mix 1 cup of white vinegar with 2 cups of water.
- Apply vinegar solution, rinse and blot as outlined in Step 1.

Special Water-Based Stains

Coffee	Tea	Urine
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STEP 1

- For large stains, work from the outside of stain to the center to prevent spreading.
- Blot up liquid spills with a white towel or paper towel.
- Mix a solution of 1/4 teaspoon of clear hand dishwashing detergent with 1 cup of water. Stir gently.
- Apply detergent solution directly to a white cloth. Dampen the carpet fibers in the stained area with the cloth. Avoid saturating the carpet.
- Wipe gently. Turn cloth frequently. Never rub, scrub or use a brush. This may damage carpet fibers.
- If necessary, use your fingertips to work the solution to the base of the stain.
- Wet the stained carpet fibers with clear, lukewarm water to rinse.
- Cover the spot with an absorbent white towel or paper towel and apply pressure to blot.
- Repeat the rinsing and blotting procedures until you are sure all traces of the detergent have been removed.
- If the stain is gone, place an absorbent white towel or paper towel over the area cleaned, and weigh towels down with a heavy, color-fast object, such as a weighted plastic wastebasket.
- Change towels or paper towels until carpet dries.
- If stain remains, proceed to Step 2.

Step 2

- Mix 1 cup of white vinegar with 2 cups of water.
- Apply vinegar solution, rinse and blot as outlined in Step 1.



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Greasy Oil-Based Stains

Butter	Grease (black)	Oil
Chocolate	Gum*	Oil Paint
Cooking Oil	Hand Cream	Ointment
Cosmetics	Ink	Peanut Butter
Crayon	Lipstick	Rouge
Furniture Dye	Margarine	Salad Dressing
Furniture Polish	Mascara	Spaghetti
Glue	Mayonnaise	Wax*
Gravy	Nail Polish	Varnish

Freeze and remove solid materials before using Cleaning fluid.

STEP 1

- Use a spoon or dull knife to remove solid materials.
- For these stains, use a citrus solvent applied directly to a white cloth. Dampen the carpet fibers in the stained area with the cloth. Avoid saturating the carpet.

STEP 2

- For large stains, work from the outside of stain to the center to prevent spreading.
- Blot up liquid spills with a white towel or paper towel.
- Mix a solution of 1/4 teaspoon of clear hand dish-washing detergent with 1 cup of water. Stir gently.
- Apply detergent solution directly to a white cloth. Dampen the carpet fibers in the stained area with the cloth. Avoid saturating the carpet.
- Wipe gently. Turn cloth frequently. Never rub, scrub or use a brush. This may damage carpet fibers.
- If necessary, use your fingertips to work the solution to the base of the stain.
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- Cover the spot with an absorbent white towel or paper towel and apply pressure. In blot.
- Repeat the rinsing and blotting procedures until you are sure all traces of the detergent have been removed.
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- Change towels or paper towels until carpet dries.
- If stain remains, proceed to Step 3.

STEP 3

Do NOT use on coffee, tea or urine stains.

- Mix 2 tablespoons of non-bleaching, non-sudsing household ammonia with 1 cup of lukewarm water.
- Apply ammonia solution, rinse and blot as outlined in Step 1.
- Do not dry with paper towels. Proceed to Step 4 to neutralize the ammonia solution.

Step 4

- Mix 1 cup of white vinegar with 2 cups of water.
- Apply vinegar solution, rinse and blot as outlined in Step 1