

# Carpet Stain Removal Guide

Act quickly on a spill or spot to minimize staining. Apply the recommended cleaning procedure to the corresponding stain listed in the chart.

*Always test any chemical based application on a hidden area of carpet beforehand to ensure it does not harm the carpet material.*

## STAIN AND REMOVAL CODE:

Asphalt	D	Coffee	D	Dirt	F	Rust	A
Ketchup	A	Medicine	A	Orange Juice	A	Grape Juice	C
Beer	A	Cola	A	Fizzy Drink	A	Shoe Polish	D
Kool-Aid	A	Mouthwash	A	Egg	A	Grape Soda	A
Beet Juice	C	Cooking Oil	D	Pet Faeces	B	Tea	D
Latex Paint	A	Motor oil	D	Felt Marker	D, E	Grease	D
Blood	A	Cough Syrup	A	Pet Urine	B	Vomit	B
Lipstick	D	Mustard	A	Furniture Polish	E	Ink (ball point)	D
Chewing Gum	H	Cranberry Juice	C	Prune Juice	C	Water Colours	A
Liqueur	A	Nail Polish	G	Furniture Stain	D	Iodine	A, E
Chocolate	D	Crayon	D	Red Clay Soil	F	Wine	B
Make-up	D	Oil Paint	D	Gelatines	A		

## CLEANING METHODS

### A.

Blot excess stain or liquid. Soak with lukewarm water, one minute, blot with white paper towel. Repeat, until stain is evident on the towel. IF stain persists, use Spray 'N Wash® and press into stain area with fingers. Blot excess, rinse with clear lukewarm water to remove detergent, blot dry. If stain persists, add water again, fold paper towelling, and place over stain with weight. Check towel every 5 minutes until towel is stain free. Repeat steps, as needed. Brush up pile and allow to dry before walking on carpet.

### B.

Blot or scrap off excess stain or liquid. Vacuum particles and soften stain with alcohol or dry cleaning solvent and blot immediately. If stain persists, follow directions in Method A, from the use of Spray 'N Wash®, and water onward.

### C.

Blot excess stain or liquid. Soak with lukewarm water one minute, blot with white paper towel. Apply hydrogen peroxide (3% strength available in drug stores), immediately follow with household ammonia and blot. Rinse with water and blot. If stain persists, follow Method A, from the use of Spray 'N Wash® and water onward. (Do not use this method on wool carpet.)

**D.**

Blot excess stain or liquid. Wet stain with alcohol or dry cleaning solvent and blot dry immediately. Repeat two times. If stain persists, follow directions in Method A, from the use of Spray 'N Wash® and water onward.

**E.**

Blot to remove excess stain or liquid. Rinse with clear lukewarm water and blot dry. If stain persists, apply a dry cleaning solvent with a dampened white cloth and blot dry immediately, then apply warm water to the stained area and blot dry with a clean white cloth. Absorb any remaining moisture with layers of white cloth weighted on top of area. Repeat steps, as needed. Brush up pile and allow to dry before walking on carpet.

**F.**

Allow area to dry and vacuum excess. Soak with lukewarm water for one minute, blot with sponge or white paper towel. Repeat until no stain is evident on the towel. If stain persists, follow directions in Method A, from the use of Spray 'N Wash® and water onward.

**G.**

Blot excess. Test non-oily nail polish remover on an obscure non-visible piece of carpet to see if it removes carpet colour. If not, gently apply remover using a cotton swab (do not wet through to carpet backing), beginning at outside edge of stain and working toward centre, and blot. Repeat if necessary. Brush up pile and allow to dry before walking on carpet.

**H.**

Freeze area with ice cubes. Shatter frozen gum with blunt instrument. Vacuum up pieces before they melt. Blot to absorb any remaining moisture with white cloth. When dry, brush the pile to restore texture.