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## **HANDY CARPET STAIN REMOVAL TIPS**



Below are some handy carpet stain removal tips for some common household stains. I never recommend using any bleach or bleach based cleaning products on carpet as it may result in the removal of colour from the fibre. These tips are just a guide only, if you are unsure about a stain, PLEASE CALL as you do not want to end up destroying the carpet.

STAIN	PRODUCT TO USE	METHOD
Soft drink/ cordial/ coffee/ tea/ juice	Tablespoon washing powder to ½ cup of water/ ¼ cup white vinegar to 1 cup water	Soak up spill with towel as quick as possible. Pour water on stain to dilute any colour and blot with dry towel. If colour still present, mix washing powder with water, blot with towel. Apply water and vinegar mix to stain and blot dry. Leave dry towel on wet area to absorb moisture.
Water based ink pen/ mascara/ lipstick	Methylated Spirits/ ¼ cup white vinegar to 1 cup water	Be careful with any ink stains as you can spread the ink in the carpet without removing it. Apply small amount of Metho to stain and blot with paper towel until completely removed. Use as little as necessary. Apply water and vinegar mix to area and blot dry with towel. Leave dry towel on wet area to absorb moisture.
Blutak/ chewing gum	Eucalyptus oil/ ¼ cup white vinegar to 1 cup water	Apply eucalyptus oil to sticky mark and allow it to loosen. Scrape out sticky mark with a blunt knife. Apply water and vinegar mix to area and blot dry with towel.
Urine	¼ cup white vinegar to 1 cup water	Apply water and vinegar mix to area. Blot dry with a towel. You must get to urine straight away as you do not want the urine to soak through to the underlay.
Blood	Water/ tablespoon washing powder to ½ cup of water/ ½ cup white vinegar to 1 cup water	Try and remove blood first with cold water and blot out. If there is still a stain, apply washing powder and water mix and blot till stain removed. Apply vinegar and water mix and blot dry with towel.

These are just a few simple tips to help remove some stains in your carpet. The most important thing is to get to the stain as quick as possible as you have more of a chance of removing it before any colour sets. Try not to rub carpet as this may destroy the carpet fibre (use the blotting method). Never use ammonia solution on wool carpet or any bleach products on any carpet. Place a fan blowing onto the wet carpet as this will help to dry the carpet. To maintain and maximise the life of your carpet, it should be cleaned at least every 12 months with a thorough wet clean, every 6 months in high traffic areas. If your carpet is due for a deep hygienic clean, Please do not hesitate to call us for a free quote (0439 722 914).

All Corners Carpet Cleaning and Pest Control accepts no responsibility for any damage caused to the carpet while following these methods. These tips are a guide only. Please contact our office for any further advice.