

SPOT CLEANING GUIDE

A. WATER SOLUBLE STAINS

First, using cold water, blot thoroughly with a white cotton cloth or paper towel. Next, apply a solution of 1 tsp. clear liquid dishwashing detergent to one quart of water. A spray bottle works well. Repeat until the stain is removed.

B. WATER SOLUBLE STAINS WITH ODOR

Same as A, but treat with white vinegar before using detergent. Blot or spray - do not oversaturate.

C. WATER SOLUBLE STAINS WITH HEAVY COLORS

Same as A, but treat with a household ammonia before using detergent.

D. GREASE

Blot as much as possible with a white cloth or paper towel. Apply a volatile solvent such as Perchloroethane (dry cleaning fluid) or a citrus-based solvent to a white cotton cloth. CAUTION: Do not apply the solvent directly to the carpet pile as permanent damage WILL result. Use with rubber gloves and adequate ventilation.

E. WAXES AND GUMS

Freeze with ice or a commercially available product in a spray can. Shatter with blunt object and vacuum immediately. Repeat as necessary.

F. MEDICAL STAINS

Commercial preparations are available. A 5% Sodium Thiosulfate solution from a photography store may also be used. For stains more than a few hours old, this solution should be heated.

G. RUST

Most can be removed with a 10% solution of citric acid. More stubborn stains will require professional cleaning, as restricted chemicals may be needed. Use of citric acid is not recommended for solution-dyed products, as damage may result. Certain household cleaners contain citric acid and should be used with caution.

H. Pet Stains

Please refer to our Pet Stains Removal Procedure document available online at engineeredfloors.com/pet-stains or you can obtain a copy via email at info@engineeredfloors.com

Alcoholic Beverage	A
Asphalt	D
Beer	A
Betadine	F
Berries	A
Blood (Wet)	A
Blood (Dry)	C
Butter	A
Chewing Gum	E
Chocolate	C
Coffee	B
Cola Drinks	A
Cosmetics	A
Crayon Markers	D
Excrement	A
Food Dyes	A
Furniture Polish	A, D
Grease (auto)	D
Grease (food)	A
Ink (ball point)	D
Ink (washable)	A
Lipstick	D
Milk	A
Mustard	A
Nail Polish	Nail Polish Remover
Paint Latex (wet)	A
Paint Latex (dry)	D
Paint (oil)	D
Rust	G
Tea	A
Urine	B
Vomit	B
Wax	E
Wine	C

