

STAIN REMOVAL WORKSHEET

Stain type	Difficulty	Directions
Blood	Difficult	Rinse with a mild detergent solution + (cold water). Rinse further with cloudy ammonia solution. Rinse with vinegar solution
Dyes (e.g. cordials, soft drinks)	Extremely difficult	Best left to HWA Carpet Cleaning call 0476-242-469
Coffee	Can be difficult	Detergent solution, blot, vinegar solution then blot
Tea	Can be difficult	Detergent solution, blot, vinegar solution then blot
Beer	Easy	Detergent solution, then rinse with small amounts of fresh water
Lipstick	Medium	Apply Dry Cleaning Fluid to a clean white cloth and dab at the mark – do not rub, detergent solution sparingly, rinse sparingly with fresh water
Make up	Can be hard	Vacuum, Apply Dry Cleaning Fluid to a clean, white cloth and dab at the mark – do not rub, detergent solution sparingly, rinse sparingly with fresh water
Nail Polish	Can be difficult	Use acetone based nail polish remover, DO NOT

		RUB! Colour may transfer to carpet fibre, Best left to HWA Carpet Cleaning call 0476-242-469
Soup	Easy	Blot first, detergent solution sparingly, blot again, fresh water rinse and blot
Grease or oil	Easy	Apply Dry Cleaning Fluid to white absorbent cloth, dab or wipe the mark, do not scrub
Ink or Biro	Hard	Can use Methylated Spirits or Isopropyl Alcohol (rubbing liniment) if still fresh. Apply to clean white cloth and dab at the spot, do not scrub
Paint (water based)	Can be difficult	Apply methylated spirits sparingly, agitate lightly, wipe with absorbent cloth.
Paint (oil based)	Difficult	Apply Mineral Turpentine when still wet sparingly – Note: too much will damage carpet backing!!
Rust	Extremely difficult	Application of lemon juice + light agitation may sometimes have an effect.
Pot plant stains	Reasonably easy if fresh, difficult if old	Apply white wine vinegar, leave for several minutes, then blot
Red wine	Easy when fresh	Blot up spill, apply white wine, blot, apply Bicarbonate of Soda

Urine Difficult Apply ammonia solution when fresh, rinse with fresh water and blot, apply white wine vinegar solution, blot

Vomit	Moderately difficult	Will depend on what has been ingested, but normally a good carpet detergent will remove most of the stain whilst fresh
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Wood stain Extremely difficult Best left to HWA Carpet Cleaning call 0476-242-469

Tomato sauce	Fairly easy	Detergent solution, ammonia solution if needed, rinse + blot, then vinegar solution and blot
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Fat Fairly easy Warm – hot water with detergent solution, blot

Wax	Very Difficult	Best left to HWA Carpet Cleaning call 0476-242-469
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Crayon Difficult Methylated Spirits or White Spirits may work

Jam	Easy	Detergent solution, blot, warm fresh water rinse, blot
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Chocolate Easy Detergent solution, blot, warm fresh water rinse, blot

Mould	Extremely difficult	Best left to HWA Carpet Cleaning call 0476-242-469
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