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Carpet Cleaning Tips

For Spots, Spills and Traffic Areas.

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Better than Wetter

DRY CARPET CLEANING SYSTEM

How Does HOST® Work?

HOST Dry Carpet Cleaner is all natural and contains a balanced blend of moisture, detergent and a small amount of safe-to-use solvents. HOST dissolves, absorbs and traps greasy, oily dirt, spots and odors as it is brushed through the carpet. Unlike wet-cleaning methods, HOST does not leave any sticky, soapy residue behind to attract dirt and cause resoiling — and spots won't wick back. HOST is safe for people and pets and can be used on all types of carpet including stain-resistant, wool, sisal and orientals.
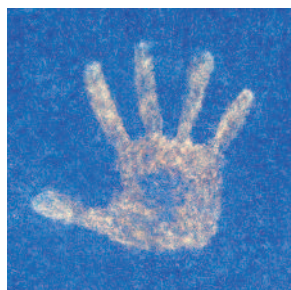
Keep Your Carpet Cleaner...Longer

- ◆ **Treat Spots & Spills Immediately:** The trick to preventing spots and spills from turning into permanent stains is to treat them immediately. Unlike some other cleaners, HOST can even be used on wet spills.

- ◆ **Clean Traffic Areas Routinely:** Routine cleaning of high traffic areas such as entranceways, hallways and in front of favorite furniture will also help improve the appearance of your carpet.

- ◆ **Deep clean wall to wall every 6 - 8 months (more often if you have pets or small children):** Rent the HOST Dry-Clean Machine™ for a wall-to-wall clean. The Dry-Clean Machine's unique counter-rotating brushes lift matted carpet pile and insure that HOST Dry Carpet Cleaner gets deep down into your carpet to remove soil, spots, allergens and odors. Carpet is left clean, dry and ready for immediate use.

How to Avoid Permanent Stains

Some household products contain chemicals that destroy or change carpet dyes and fibers resulting in permanent damage. If you use the following products, avoid contact with carpet:

- ◆ acne medications containing benzoyl peroxide
- ◆ food dyes
- ◆ mustard containing turmeric
- ◆ chlorine bleaches, mildew killers and swimming pool chemicals
- ◆ tile, toilet, drain and oven cleaners
- ◆ insecticides and pesticides
- ◆ iodine and disinfectants
- ◆ plant food

Acne medications that contain benzoyl peroxide can bleach carpet.

Carpets & Rugs That Need Special Care

Special carpets and rugs may require extra care when cleaning. If you are cleaning wool, Berber, natural fibers or delicate rugs follow these steps:

◆ **Test for color fastness:** Take a small amount of HOST Dry Carpet Cleaner and brush it through the carpet with your fingertips in an inconspicuous area. If color transfers or changes, do not use.

◆ **Test for texture distortion:** Test the HOST Carpet Brush in an inconspicuous area of the carpet or rug. If any texture distortion occurs, do not use. Note that aggressive brushing may also cause texture distortion.

Additional Tips for Special Carpets & Rugs:

◆ **Natural Fibers (sisal, coir, jute, seagrass, etc.):** Natural fibers are very absorbent so permanent discoloration from spots, spills and liquids may occur. Note that the color of these fibers may be affected by any type of cleaning.

   CAUTION: HOST Spot Remover or other liquids (unless specified) are not recommended for use on natural fibers.

◆ **Delicate Rugs (Oriental, Chinese, Persian, etc.):** These rugs are often made with wool or silk fibers. When brushing, be aware of the texture, do not brush aggressively.

◆ **Wool or Wool Berber:** HOST Dry Carpet Cleaner and HOST Spot Remover carry the WoolSafe seal of approval. When cleaning wool it is normal to experience some shedding, but avoid aggressive brushing as it can cause wool to fuzz. Cleaning wool Berber can be a challenge because it is even more susceptible to fuzzing and texture distortion. To avoid, brush only in the direction of the rows of loops, not across the loops. Or, call us at 1-800-558-9439 for a HOST Professional Cleaner near you.

◆ **Synthetic Berber (olefin or nylon):** These fibers may require additional brushing, but if any texture distortion occurs, stop!

Rent the HOST Dry-Clean Machine™ For a Wall-to-Wall Clean.
Or have your carpet cleaned by a HOST Professional Cleaner.

For more information or to find a HOST dealer or HOST Professional Cleaner near you:

Call the HOST SpotLine℠ at 800-558-9439 or 262-637-4491.
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m (CST), Monday - Friday.

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Use HOST Anywhere There's Carpet:

| Home | Car/Van | Boat | Camper | RV | Cabin |

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HOST® Spot & Spill Quick Guide:

Spot	Code	Spot	Code
Beer, Liquor	B	Kool-Aid®*	B or E
Blood	C	Lipstick	C or E
Butter	C	Makeup	C or E
Candy (Sugar)	A or E	Mascara	E or G
Chewing Gum	F	Mayonnaise	A
Chocolate	C or E	Milk	B
Coffee	B	Oil, Cooking	B
Cough Syrup*	B or E	Oil, Furniture	B
Crayon	F or G	Paint, Latex	C or E
Egg	C	Paint, Oil Based*	C or E
Feces	D	Paint, Water Based	C or E
Food Coloring*	E	Rust*	A
Fruit Juice	B	Salad Dressing	B or E
Furniture Polish	A or E	Shoe Polish, Liquid	B or E
Furniture Polish with Stain*	E	Shoe Polish, Paste	C or E
Glue, Model Cement	E or F	Soft Drinks	B
Glue, White	E or F	Syrup, Honey	C
Gravy	C	Tar	C, E or F
Grease	A or E	Tea	B or E
Hair Spray	A or E	Tomato Sauce	B or E
Hand Lotion	C	Urine	D
Ice Cream	C	Vomit	D
Ink, Ballpoint	E	Wax, Candle	G
Ink, Marking Pen	E	Wine, White	B
Ketchup	A or E	Wine, Red	B or E

*Some spots may require the help of a HOST Professional Cleaner. If you are unable to remove these spots, call the HOST SpotLine℠ at 800-558-9439, 8:00 a.m - 4:30 p.m. (CST), Monday - Friday, to find a HOST Professional Cleaner near you.

A. Basic Spot Cleaning Technique For Dry Spots

1. Shake HOST Dry Carpet Cleaner onto spot, spill or dirty traffic area until covered.

2. Brush HOST Dry Carpet Cleaner through the carpet in all directions: north & south, then east & west.

3. Vacuum. Wait until HOST Dry Carpet Cleaner is completely dry (about an hour) and then simply vacuum.

If traces of the spot remain, follow procedures in **E. Stubborn Spots**.

B. Basic Spot Cleaning Technique For Wet Spills

◆ Blot up any excess moisture by pressing firmly with clean, white paper or cloth towels, working from the outside of the spill inward to avoid spreading.

◆ Continue blotting until no more moisture transfers to the towel.

◆ Shake HOST Dry Carpet Cleaner onto the spill until covered.

◆ Brush HOST Dry Carpet Cleaner through the carpet in all directions: north & south, then east & west.

◆ After brushing, pack the area with another handful of HOST Dry Carpet Cleaner.

◆ Wait until the area is completely dry. For wet spills, this may take overnight. HOST Dry Carpet Cleaner will lighten to a pale gold color as it dries.

◆ Vacuum thoroughly.

If traces of the spot remain, follow procedures in **E. Stubborn Spots**.

Blot up excess moisture.

Pack area with a handful of HOST Dry Carpet Cleaner.

C. Thick Spots (food spills, blood, etc.)

◆ Scrape up any excess, working from the outside of the spot inward to avoid spreading.

◆ Then follow procedures in **A. Basic Spot Cleaning Technique For Dry Spots**.

D. Pet Accidents

Urine:

◆ Blot up as much of the spot as possible by pressing firmly with clean, white paper or cloth towels, working from the outside of the spot inward to avoid spreading.

◆ To neutralize odor, mix ¼ cup of white vinegar with ¼ cup of water. Alternately dab a towel dampened in the solution and blot with a dry towel.

◆ Then follow procedures in **B. Basic Spot Cleaning Technique For Wet Spills**.

Feces or Vomit:

◆ Scrape up any excess working from the outside of the spot inward to avoid spreading.

◆ Then follow procedures in **B. Basic Spot Cleaning Technique For Wet Spills**.

E. Stubborn Spots

If traces of a spot or spill remain after following the Basic Spot Cleaning Technique, use HOST Spot Remover.* Do not pour HOST Spot Remover directly onto the carpet.

◆ **First, test for color fastness.** Apply a small amount of HOST Spot Remover to a clean, white towel and blot on the carpet in an inconspicuous area. If no color transfers, proceed.

◆ Apply a small amount of HOST Spot Remover to a clean, white towel.

◆ Blot area, working from the outside of the spot inward to avoid spreading.

◆ Then repeat **A. Basic Spot Cleaning Technique For Dry Spots**.

Blot stubborn spots & spills with HOST Spot Remover.

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F. Hardened Spots

◆ Scrape up any excess.

◆ Apply a small amount of HOST Spot Remover to a clean, white towel and blot area, working from the outside of the spot inward to avoid spreading.

◆ Allow HOST Spot Remover to sit on spot for 2-3 minutes.

◆ Again, scrape up any excess.

◆ If traces of spot remain, repeat application of HOST Spot Remover.

◆ Then follow procedures in **A. Basic Spot Cleaning Technique For Dry Spots**.

G. Removing Wax

◆ Scrape up as much wax as possible.

◆ Place several layers of white paper towels or brown paper bags over the wax spill.

◆ With a warm (not hot) iron, slowly iron over area. Use caution. Wax will transfer to paper.

◆ Continue absorbing wax with clean areas of the paper.

◆ Then follow procedures in **A. Basic Spot Cleaning Technique For Dry Spots**.

Cleaning High Traffic Areas & Area Rugs

Attach the HOST Carpet Brush to a standard threaded handle for touching up larger, soiled traffic areas like entranceways, hallways, stairs, or to clean area rugs and mats.

◆ Shake HOST Dry Carpet Cleaner evenly onto the center of the traffic area or rug.

◆ Brush HOST Dry Carpet Cleaner through soiled areas first, then brush a slightly larger area to blend results. You don't have to push down hard — let the brush do the work!

◆ Wait until HOST Dry Carpet Cleaner is completely dry (about an hour) and then simply vacuum.