



Stain Removal Guide for Wool Carpets

| Origin of stain | Removal Step 1 | Removal Step 2 | Removal Step 3 | Removal Step 4 |
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| Beverages (tea, coffee, soft drinks) | Clean warm water | Fabric detergent* | - | - |
| Bleach | Carpet shampoo solution | - | - | - |
| Blood | Clean cold water | Fabric detergent* | - | - |
| Butter | Dry-cleaning fluid | Carpet shampoo solution | - | - |
| Chewing Gum | Chewing gum remover | - | - | - |
| Chocolate | Clean warm water | Carpet shampoo solution | - | - |
| Cooking oil | Dry-cleaning fluid | Carpet shampoo solution | - | - |
| Cream | Carpet shampoo solution | Dry-cleaning fluid | - | - |
| Egg | Carpet shampoo solution | - | - | - |
| Fruit juice | Clean warm water | Fabric detergent | - | - |
| Furniture polish | Dry-cleaning fluid | Carpet shampoo solution | Consult specialist | - |
| Gravy and sauce | Clean warm water | Carpet shampoo solution | - | - |
| Ink (fountain pen) | Clean warm water | Fabric detergent* | - | - |
| Lipstick | Dry-cleaning fluid | Fabric detergent* | Water | - |
| Metal polish | Brush off when dry | Fabric detergent* | Methylated spirits | - |
| Milk | Clean warm water | Fabric detergent* | Dry-cleaning fluid | - |
| Mustard | Carpet shampoo solution | Fabric detergent* | - | - |
| Nail polish | Nail polish remover | Dry-cleaning fluid | - | - |
| Oil and grease | Dry-cleaning fluid | Carpet shampoo solution | - | - |
| Paint (emulsion) | Clean warm water | Warm carpet shampoo solution | - | - |
| Paint (oil) | Turpentine or white spirit | Dry-cleaning fluid | Carpet shampoo solution | Consult specialist |
| Rust | Dry-cleaning fluid | Rust remove+ | Consult specialist | - |
| Salad dressing | Carpet shampoo solution | Dry-cleaning fluid | - | - |
| Shoe polish | Dry-cleaning fluid | Carpet shampoo solution | - | - |
| Soot | Vacuum clean | Carpet shampoo solution | Consult specialist | - |
| Tar | Dry-cleaning fluid | Carpet shampoo solution | - | - |
| Urine (fresh stain) | Carpet shampoo solution | - | - | - |
| Urine (old stain) | Consult specialist | - | - | - |
| Vomit | Consult specialist | - | - | - |
| Wax (candle) | Absorbent paper & hot iron | Dry-cleaning fluid | - | - |
| Wine | Clean warm water | Fabric detergent* | - | - |

It should be noted that commercial cleaning firms have additional chemicals for use.

* Fabric detergent – Solution of one teaspoon (5 ml) of approved wool detergent with one teaspoon of white vinegar and one litre of warm water.

Nail polish remover – should not include lanolin or be of a greasy nature.

+ WARNING RUST REMOVER IS A STRONG ACID : AVOID SKIN CONTACT. READ SAFETY PRECAUTIONS.

There are also a number of commercially available stain removal products. Liquid and powder, which may be used to remove many of the listed staining materials. Follow the manufacturer's instructions carefully.