

# Advanced Stain Removal guide for Nylon Carpets



In certain circumstances stains can be more resistant to standard stain removal techniques. Instances such as stains being very hot, concentrated and or being left to dry for a significant period can result in more advanced techniques being necessary to remove the discolouration.

Such water based stubborn stains fall into two categories:

## Organic:

Generally yellow in colour and include coffee, turmeric based food stains, pet urine.

## Non-Organic:

Generally red/ orange in colour and include Irn Bru, Cola, Red Wine.

## Organic Stain Removal Process

- Rinse out any residual staining using warm water extraction where possible, or by blotting the stain with a clean damp white towel or absorbent cloth.
- For best results mask the surrounding area with towels to prevent secondary discolouration from the stain removal attempt.
- Using face mask and gloves for protection during the entire process, carefully apply a 12% Hydrogen Peroxide solution to the stain affected fibres of the carpet, using either a trigger spray or brush.
- Cover the treated area with a UV light, such as can be used for identification of body fluid spillages to carpet as part of a specialist cleaning kit. Ideally the torch range will be between 365-395mw.
- Leave the torch in place for up to 30 minutes, checking periodically.
- If necessary repeat the process until the level of staining discolouration has faded to a satisfactory level.
- Rinse out treated area using warm water extraction where possible, or by blotting the stain with a clean damp white towel or absorbent cloth.

## Non-Organic Stain Removal Process

- Rinse out any residual staining using warm water extraction where possible, or by blotting the stain with a clean damp white towel or absorbent cloth.
- For best results mask the surrounding area with towels to prevent secondary discolouration from the stain removal attempt.
- Using face mask and gloves for protection during the entire process, mix 30 mg (2 tablespoons) of Sodium Bisulphite into 500ml of boiling water.
- Carefully apply the mixed Sodium Bisulphite solution to the stain affected fibres of the carpet, using either a trigger spray or brush.
- Cover the treated area with a wet absorbent clean white towel or heavy-duty cloth.
- Carefully apply heat to the wet towel, using a steam iron, being careful not to let it dwell for any length of time, moving the iron and the damp cloth over the stained area to ensure carpet fibres are not damaged by excess direct heat.
- Ensure the towel remains damp throughout this process, reapplying water to it where required.
- If necessary repeat the process until the level of staining discolouration has faded to a satisfactory level.
- Rinse out treated area using warm water extraction where possible, or by blotting the stain with a clean damp white towel or absorbent cloth.

Even on nylon fibres, if the spillage is hot and left to dwell, this can make stain removal more difficult.

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