

# Rothwell's

## Carpet Cleaning

### Home Stain Treatment Guide

#### MUD OR SIMILAR:

- 1 Let it dry (thoroughly)
- 2 Brush it off so it's loose, then vacuum the area

#### LIQUID OR FOOD:

If you are present when a liquid or food spill happens you can often remove most or all of this straight away, but there will be some you just cannot remove. Hot tea or coffee often being the hardest to treat. Stain Protection will greatly increase the chances to remove marks and stains and avoid damage.

- 1 Dab or pick up what's there with an absorbent towel. Gently dab the carpet absorbing everything you can into the towel, **NEVER SCRUB or RUB.**
- 2 Use Rothwell's Spotter (or if not available one teaspoon of gentle wool detergent to 300ml water, or for urine, wine, tea & coffee add one teaspoon of white vinegar with the detergent) to wet the area, then as in step one dab this up. Repeat 2- 5 times slowly reducing the stain each time. Work from the outside of the mark to the centre, taking care not to spread the area wider. You can add a bit of water to help dilute if there's lots of liquid.
- 3 Mix one-part vinegar with four-parts water in a spray bottle, then spray on area. (this will help to reduce re-soiling).
- 4 Place an absorbent cloth over the stain with a heavy item on top of the towel putting pressure on the stained area and leave it there for around 6 – 12 hours. This is going to draw up the original spill into the towel as it dries out. I find the easiest weight is a heavy book inside a carrier bag.



This guide is for carpets & upholstery. Upholstery is trickier than carpets and the range of material is larger, so results are less predictable. Many rugs have a risk of dye bleed, it is not recommended to treat them unless you know the dyes are stable.

This is a best practice guide, but Rothwell's cannot accept any responsibility for any temporary marks or permanent damage caused when following this guide or using Rothwell's spotters.