



# STAIN REMOVAL CHART

Phone: 1300 0 STAINS

## Basic Rules of Stain Removal

1. Attend to spill promptly.
2. Dilute with cold water and sop up excess.
3. Repeat for as long as you are achieving a positive result.  
Don't scrub! Avoid bleach products.
4. Don't over wet with solvents (eg turps and dry cleaning fluid), they can damage the carpet backing.



***If you can't remove a fresh stain, keep it moist by covering with a damp colour fast towel until we can attend to it.***

Not allowing it to set can make it easier to remove.

Stain Removers likely to be in the home:

Methylated Spirits; Cloudy Ammonia; Soap; Sard Soap; Mineral Turps;

Dry Cleaning Fluid; Stain Busters The Little General; White Vinegar; Woolmix;

Mild Detergent solution 1 teaspoon to 1Lt of water, Ammonia solution 1:15, White Vinegar solution 1:1



**Warning: NEVER use any product that contains bleach, as it will remove colour.**

Stain Type	Difficulty	Directions	What Stain Busters can do
Blood	Difficult	Rinse with a mild detergent solution + cold water. Rinse further with cloudy ammonia solution.	Stain Busters has a product that removes blood.
Black Sauce	Easy	Rinse with detergent solution. Ammonia solution can also help.	This is no trouble for Stain Busters.
Dyes	Extremely Difficult	Dry cleaning fluid can assist if attended to quickly; if allowed to dry, it is best to ring Stain Busters.	A tough stain we can generally improve or remove.
Cordial	Can be Difficult	If you are to get it out, you must attend to it instantly by diluting it with cold water. Pour on, soak up and repeat until the stain is out.	Stain Busters remove most cordial stains.
Coffee	Medium	Apply ammonia solution and soak up, then treat with white vinegar solution. Repeat.	Stain Busters remove coffee stains every day.
Beer	Easy	Clean with detergent solution with clean water then rinse out. Stain should disappear.	Stain Busters "The Little General" removes most stains.
Gentian Violet Mercurochrome Iodine	Extremely Hard	Call Stain Busters.	Our slow release "Magic Stain Lifter" will fix the problem.
Fanta	Extremely Hard	Has a very potent food colouring. You'll need us unless diluted and soaked up quickly.	Stain Busters can remove the residue for you.
Lipstick	Hard	Get it out quickly before it sets by using dry cleaning fluid, you should get most of it out.	Stain Busters "The Little General" is good for removing lipstick.
Makeup	Some Easy, Some Hard	Dry cleaning fluid can get many makeup stains when fresh. Stain Busters "The Little General" has removed many makeup stains.	Stain Busters can remove the residue for you.
Soft Drink	Medium	Dilute and soak up. If it prevails, use vinegar solution first, then ammonia solution. Alternate until gone or until there is no more improvement.	Stain Busters can remove the residue for you.
Soiling	Easy	The build up from dirty feet and footwear. It means your carpets need to be cleaned.	Ring Stain Busters to make a convenient booking time.
Nail Polish	Hard	Nail Polish Remover should be liberally applied and rinsed out. Repeat while effective.	Stain Busters can remove the residue for you.
Soup	Easy	Attend to immediately and use detergent solution or good soap; rinse out with clean water.	Stain Busters "The Little General" will clean up this spill.

Grease or Oil	Easy	Dry cleaning fluid applied and rinsed out with the procedure carried out several times.	Call Stain Busters for deep clean if soiling returns.
Ink or Biro	Extremely Hard	Methylated spirits should remove entirely if attended to before it dries.	A tough one when dry. We can usually improve it.
Tea	Easy	Apply Ammonia solution. Soak up then rinse with white vinegar solution. Repeat until removed.	An every day stain removal for Stain Busters.
Paint (oil based) (water based)	Medium to Hard	Mineral turps should be used to dilute; soak up and re-apply until paint is all gone. (Too much turps will damage the carpet backing.) Remove while wet, try mild Methylated spirits solvent if dry.	If stain prevails, call Stain Busters.
Rust	Extremely Hard	Lemon juice can remove fresh rust marks.	Stain Busters can treat old or stubborn rust marks.
Pot Plant Stains	Easy if Fresh, Hard if Old	White vinegar solution can remove many pot plant stains. If it is an old one, the mould may have started to decay the carpet.	Stain Busters have a special treatment to remove water browning and to treat any mould.
Red Wine	Medium	Blot with paper towel, rinse with cold water and repeat. use a vinegar solution to treat residual stain. Rinse, then use an ammonia solution. Repeat while effective.	Stain Busters can remove the residue for you.
Urine	Hard	When fresh use an ammonia solution. Rinse, then use a vinegar solution.	If it prevails call us. Some urine and vomit can chemically burn your carpet.
Vomit	Medium	Depends on the food. Most human vomit will clean up with a detergent solution. Animal vomit of regurgitated worm pills or heavily coloured food can be extremely difficult. Dilute and use dry cleaning fluid.	Let us have a look. We will tell you if it is an easy or difficult stain and let you know your options to fix.  We can check for chemical burn.
Wood Stains	The Worst	Prevention is the key. Put plastic or some other safe material under wooden legs, such as tables and bookshelves, etc. Once this stain is there, there is nothing you can do except ring Stain Busters.	Call Stain Busters for more info.
Tomato Sauce	Easy	Rinse with dishwashing solution or strong soap. If it remains use ammonia solution, rinse, then use white vinegar solution. Repeat if necessary.	Stain Busters can remove this residue for you.
Shoe Polish	Medium	Methylated spirits or dry cleaning fluid are your best allies. Treat it while fresh. If allowed to remain it can become very difficult.	Stain Busters can remove this residue for you.
Fat	Easy	Hot water and a good cloth or sponge for soaking it up. If you don't have "The Little General", use dishwashing solution and rinse with clean warm water.	Ask us for a bottle of "The Little General". It's a great way to treat most stains when they occur.
Wax	Hard	Coloured wax has highly concentrated dye in it. It is best to refer to Stain Busters if you have a wax problem.	Removing the wax is relatively easy. The dye will need our expertise.
Crayon	Hard	Methylated spirits or dry cleaning fluid may work.	Stain Busters may have the answer call for more information.
Jam or Jelly	Easy	"The Little General" does a brilliant job, otherwise some dishwashing solution and rinse with clean warm water.	Stain Busters can remove the residue for you.
Chocolate	Easy	Dishwashing solution rinse the chocolate away. Rinse with clean water.	Stain Busters can remove the residue for you.
Mould	Extremely Hard	Stain Busters have treatments to make safe the area and can advise on remedies.	Call Stain Busters as mould in the home creates an unhealthy environment.

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