

Wool Area Rugs

Introduction

Wool is an amazing fiber and is one of the finest face yarns available for carpet. It has excellent soil-hiding and release characteristics. Wool holds dye to the core of its fiber, and you may see rugs in museums with brilliant colors, which are well over a hundred years old. This bond with dye also explains the difficulty of removing any stains with dye additives. Wool is also sensitive to alkaline chemical with over 9.5 pH after prolonged exposure. Wool organizations *recommend* that a pH of 4.5 to 8.5 be used when cleaning wool fibers.

Procedure

1. Identify and pre-inspect rug properly before removing the rug from the property.
2. Dry soil removal is the first step. The time needed to do an adequate job will vary from rug to rug. It is recommended that you use a vacuum with a beater bar and thoroughly vacuum both the front and back of the rug.
3. Pre-treat fringes. Pre-spray with either **Dominator** or **POWER O** depending on the pH you choose to use. Add **Citrus Solv** to your prespray when some additional leaning power is needed.
4. Extract the rug with **Flex Ice** or other low pH extraction chemical
5. Mist **Power Rinse** over the rug to make sure the fibers are left in the neutral range. Extract the fringes with Power Rinse
6. Protect the rug with **Stain Blocker 5:1**. Groom the fibers to lay in the same direction after you have protected the rug.
7. Dry with an **Air Mover** overnight.

CHEMICALS NEEDED



DOMINATOR

Type: Traffic Lane Cleaner

Highlights: Powerful pre-spray that will quickly dissolve the most difficult soils



POWER "O"

Type: Prespray

Highlights: Preconditions fine fabrics or upholstery



CITRUS SOLV

Type: Degreaser/Spotter

Highlights: Cuts grease, oil or heavy soil in carpet or upholstery



POWER RINSE

Type: Conditioner/Neutralizer

Highlights: Prevents wicking, browning and yellowing. Removes alkaline residue.



SPOTTING KIT

Type: Assorted chemicals and accessories

Highlights: Contains a complete selection of spotting products stored in a SoftSide bag



FLEX ICE

Type: Powdered Extraction Chemical

Highlights: With its low pH, it can be used on virtually any fiber that can be safely cleaned with water.



STAIN BLOCKER 5:1

Type: Protector

Highlights: Dries quickly with excellent wicking action.

ACCESSORIES NEEDED



HYDRO-FORCE SPRAYER

Description: Injection Sprayer

Purpose: Applies chemical quickly, evenly and efficiently



PUMP SPRAYER

Description: Pump Sprayer

Purpose: Applies chemical evenly over carpet and upholstery



DRI POD

Description: High volume air mover

Purpose: Dries carpet, upholstery & structures quickly



VELO PRO

Description: High volume air mover

Purpose: Dries carpet, upholstery & structures quickly

EQUIPMENT NEEDED



TRUCKMOUNT

Description: Hot water extraction machine

Purpose: All purpose prespray for residential & commercial carpets and for oriental rugs.



PORTABLE

Description: Portable extractor

Purpose: Portable unit that extracts water and chemical from carpet or upholstery.



OVERVIEW

Procedure:

1. Identify and pre-inspect properly
2. Pre-vacuum thoroughly on both sides
3. Pre-treat fringes
4. Pre-spray with Dominator boosted with Citrus Solv
5. Extract with Flex Ice
6. Neutralize with a mist of Power Rinse & Extract fringes with Power Rinse
7. Apply Stain Blocker 5:1 protector & groom carpet
8. Dry overnight with air movers

Products Needed

- [Dominator](#)
- [Power "O"](#)
- [Citrus Solv](#)
- [Power Rinse](#)
- [Spot Kit](#)
- [Flex Ice](#)
- [Stain Blocker 5:1](#)
- [Hydro-Force Sprayer](#)
- [Pump Sprayer](#)
- [Air Mover](#)
 - [Dri Pod](#)
 - [Velo Pro](#)
- [Truckmount](#)
- [Portable](#)

Wool Safe/Wool Balance/Oriental Rug Products

- Maxim Advance for Wool
- Wool Medic
- Wool Zone
- Wool Perfect
- Heavy Duty Soil Lifter
- All Fiber Textile Rinse
- Oriental Rug Shampoo
- Rx for Fringe
- Kill Odor Plus
- Fine Fabric Rinse
- Fine Fabric Detergent
- All Fiber Deep Clean