



Inspiration Commercial Carpet Tile Maintenance

Install walk off mats at all building entrances, lobbies and flooring areas that transition from carpet to hard surfaces.

Daily vacuuming

More than any other factor, daily vacuuming of high traffic areas determines the life of the carpet. Results of laboratory testing show that vacuum cleaners with a rotating brush and beater action are most effective in loosening and removing embedded soil.

Spot and Stain Removal

In addition to routine vacuuming, spot removal should be done daily as needed. Prompt treating is critical. The longer a spot is allowed to set, the more difficult it is to remove. Some spots will become permanent stains if allowed to remain until dry.

Periodic Deep Cleaning

All carpet tiles, no matter how resistant to dirt and stains, will eventually build up a layer of oily, sticky soil that is not removed by vacuuming. If this solid is allowed to remain, it will bond to the carpet fiber, causing matting and unsightly traffic lanes. Periodic deep cleaning delays replacement and extends the life of the carpet. There are several methods of deep cleaning, each with advantages and disadvantages. These include dry foam, dry extraction, and hot water extraction.

Spot removal guide

- A Solvent, blot, detergent, blot, water, blot
- B Detergent, blot, ammonia, blot, detergent, blot, water, blot
- C Detergent, blot, vinegar, blot, ammonia, blot, detergent, blot, water, blot
- D Detergent, blot, vinegar, blot, detergent, blot, water, blot
- E Detergent, blot, ammonia, blot, vinegar, blot, water, blot
- F Use cold ingredients: water, blot, detergent, blot, ammonia, blot, detergent, blot, water, blot
- G Freeze with ice cubes, shatter with blunt object, vacuum, solvent, wait, blot, repeat if needed
- H Blot, water, blot, ammonia, blot, detergent, blot, water, blot

Beer	A	Ketchup	B
Blood	F	Mascara	A
Butter	A	Mayonnaise	B
Chewing Gum	G	Milk	B
Cheese	B	Nail Polish	A
Chocolate	B	Paint (Latex)	A
Cocktails	D	Rust	D
Coffee	D	Shoe Polish	A
Crayon	A	Soft Drinks	D
Egg	B	Soya Sauce	B
Excrement	B	Tar	A
Fruit	D	Tea	D
Furniture Polish	A	Toothpaste	B
Garden Soil	B	Type Ribbon	A
Glue (White)	B	Urine (Fresh)	H
Grease	A	Urine (Dry)	C
Hair Spray	A	Vomit	E
Ice Cream	B	Wax (Candle)	G
Ink (Point/Felt)	A	Wax (Paste)	A
Ink (Permanent)	E	Wine	D