

Upholstery Cleaning Guideline

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REGULAR MAINTENANCE

Vacuum using the proper attachment to avoid pilling. Professionally clean as needed.

STAIN TREATMENT

Clean with mild, pure, water-free dry cleaning solvents only.

Soak up any excess moisture immediately with a clean, soft, white cloth.

For oil and water-based stains, dampen a clean, soft, white cloth with water-free dry cleaning solvent. Do not oversaturate. Gently blot the stain. Work from the edge of the stain toward the center, rotating the cloth once an area becomes soiled. Repeat the process until the stain is removed and no longer transfers to the cloth.

Allow the textile to dry thoroughly. Vacuum before using.

STAINS AND SUGGESTED TREATMENTS

Certain stains have specific cleaning instructions. Treat these stains using the stain treatment guideline below.

ALCOHOL

Use treatment 3 plus a drop of vinegar; alcohol diluted with water 1:5; or Borax: dissolve 1 teaspoonful in some warm water in a cup, and fill up with cold water

BLOOD, MILK

Use cold water plus 1 teaspoon salt in a cup of warm water; diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions); or Borax: dissolve 1 teaspoonful in some warm water in a cup, and fill up with cold water

BUTTER

Diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions)

CANDLE WAX

Use a plastic bag filled with ice to rub the stain until the substance becomes brittle. Use a clean, dull, flat knife to gently remove the substance. Carefully hot iron over layers of white absorbent paper towel to transfer wax. For grease or oil stains, use mineral spirits combined with spot remover or diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions.)

CHEWING GUM,

Use a plastic bag filled with ice to rub the stain until the substance becomes brittle. Use a clean, dull, flat knife to gently remove the substance. For grease or oil stains, use mineral spirits combined with spot remover or diluted household detergent (read manufacturer's instructions.)

CHOCOLATE, COFFEE

Spot remover for grease/oil stains

COLA DRINKS

Mineral spirits

CREAM, GRAVY, SAUCE

Diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions); or mineral spirits; or Borax: dissolve 1 teaspoonful in some warm water in a cup, and fill up with cold water

FRUIT JUICE

Borax: dissolve 1 teaspoonful in some warm water in a cup, and fill up with cold water; diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions); or alcohol plus diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions)

FURNITURE POLISH

Mineral spirits; diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions); or spot remover for grease/oil stains

GREASE, LIPSTICK, OIL, SHOE POLISH

Mineral spirits; spot remover for grease/oil stains; or diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions)

INK (BALLPOINT)

Alcohol; acetone or varnish remover without oil; or 1 teaspoon laundry detergent in a cup of warm water

INK (WRITING)

Diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions); or consult a professional cleaner

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JAM

Diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions); or Borax: dissolve 1 teaspoonful in some warm water in a cup, and fill up with cold water

NAIL POLISH

Acetone or varnish remover without oil; or consult a professional cleaner

PAINT (OIL-BASED)

Mineral spirits; diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions); or consult a professional cleaner

PAINT (WATER-BASED)

Cold water; diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions); or consult a professional cleaner

SOOT

Vacuum thoroughly; diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions); or mineral spirits

TEA

Diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions); alcohol diluted with water 1:5; or Borax: dissolve 1 teaspoonful in some warm water in a cup, and fill up with cold water

URINE, VOMIT

Diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions); household disinfectant: 1 teaspoonful diluted in 1 liter of water; or consult a professional cleaner

WINE

Diluted upholstery detergent (read manufacturer's instructions); Borax: dissolve 1 teaspoonful in some warm water in a cup, and fill up with cold water plus a drop of vinegar; or alcohol diluted with water 1:5

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Treat stains promptly. The longer a stain remains on the textile, the more difficult it will be to remove.

Always pre-test any cleaning method on an inconspicuous area.

Several light applications of a cleaning agent are less harmful than a single concentrated application. Repeat stain treatment several times if necessary.

Unless otherwise stated, never use heat to clean textiles. Heat can set stains.

Do not oversaturate the textile or let water pool in seams.

A professional furniture cleaning service is recommended.

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