



# SPOTTING

## Dye Stains

### INTRODUCTION

Dye stains come from many sources. They may be as obvious as a wine spill or they may be the result of dye left behind after cleaning up a food spill such as a tomato-based spaghetti sauce. In keeping with the Bridgepoint slogan, "Where the science of cleaning becomes an art" we offer several methods of removing dye. You will also find guidance as to which products work on which stains. As you become a more accomplished "artist" you will find new ways to apply the techniques.

### PROCEDURE

#### RED STAIN REMOVER with HEAT RELEASE

This is the simplest of the heat release products and it is extremely effective in most cases.

- **STEP 1**  
Dampen the stain with **Red Stain Remover**. Follow label directions.
- **STEP 2**  
Place a damp towel over the stain.
- **STEP 3**  
Apply an **Iron** set to "steam" directly over the stain. Allow about 20 seconds of dwell time then check the spot.
- **STEP 4**  
Repeat until the stain is gone.

#### RED RELIEF with HEAT RELEASE

This two-part solution is very effective at the removal of acid dye stains.

- **STEP 1**  
Mix solution A and B together in the amount that you expect to use. Follow label directions.
- **STEP 2**  
Spray the combined solution onto the stain.

- **STEP 3**  
Place a damp **towel** over the stain.
- **STEP 4**  
Place an **Iron** on low setting over the towel.
- **STEP 5**  
Allow several minutes of dwell time, checking the progress every 30 seconds or so.
- **STEP 6**  
Rinse thoroughly once the stain is gone. (May elect to use a vapor steamer.)

### STAIN MAGIC

This two-part solution is effective on a wide variety of stains. It is usually effective by itself but can be accelerated with heat release if necessary.

- **STEP 1**  
Mix parts A and B of **Stain Magic** in equal amounts.
- **STEP 2**  
Spray the solution on the stain in sufficient quantity to saturate the affected carpet fibers.
- **STEP 3**  
Allow the product to work until dry. It will dry to a powder that can be vacuumed away with a **Rug Rat**. Rinse if needed.

### Chemicals Needed



**Bridgepoint Spotting Kit**  
**Type:** Assorted chemicals & accessories  
**Highlights:** Contains a complete selection of spotting products stored in a **SoftSide™** bag.



**Red Stain Remover**  
**Type:** Heat release dye remover  
**Highlights:** Removes acid dyes from carpet with heat transfer system.



**Red Relief**  
**Type:** Stain remover  
**Highlights:** A two-part product that removes stains caused by acid dyes.



**Stain Magic**  
**Type:** Stain remover  
**Highlights:** A two part product that removes stains caused by furniture, wine, mustard, potted plants and more.

### Accessories Needed



**Trigger Sprayer**  
**Description:** Hand-held sprayer  
**Purpose:** Great for dispersing small amounts of chemical in a small area.



**Spotting Towels**  
**Description:** Absorbent Material  
**Purpose:** Used to absorb dye stains during heat transfer systems.



**Bone Scraper**  
**Description:** Utility tool  
**Purpose:** Aids in agitation and application of chemical.



**Chemical Resistant Gloves**  
**Description:** Gloves  
**Purpose:** Provides skin protection from harsh chemicals.



**Iron**  
**Description:** Iron  
**Purpose:** Provides heat needed for heat removal techniques.

## Equipment Needed



### Power X Spotter

**Description:** Portable spotting machine

**Purpose:** Provides efficient and effective spot removal.



### Olympus Portable

**Description:** Portable Extractor

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



### Vapor Steamer

**Description:** Steamer

**Purpose:** To provide heat for dye removal procedures. Great alternative to iron.



### Rug Rat

**Description:** Vacuum

**Purpose:** Hand-held brush vacuum cleans carpets easily.

## Quick Guide



## PROCEDURE

- 1 Identify fiber to determine appropriate method.
- 2 Rinse spot free of any foreign chemical.
- 3 Apply appropriate dye removal product (refer to procedures).
- 4 Rinse spot after desired results are achieved.

## PRODUCTS NEEDED

- BP Spotting Kit
- Red Stain Remover
- Stain Magic
- Trigger Sprayer
- Spotting Towels
- Bone Scraper
- Chemical Resistant Gloves
- Red Relief
- Vapor Steamer
- Power X Spotter

**HELPFUL HINTS** – It is a very good idea to get scrap pieces of carpet and practice with these products. This is a tremendous service to your customer and it is very profitable to you.



**CAUTION** – The products described here all have bleaching capabilities. It is the responsibility of the technician to determine the suitability of the product for the stain and the fabric or carpet.



## Other Resources

**Bridgepoint Oriental Rug Cleaning**

**Manual and Course**

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