



# AREA RUGS

## Wool

### 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 chemicals 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

- **STEP 1**  
Identify and pre-inspect rug properly before removing the rug from the property.
- **STEP 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 the back of the rug.
- **STEP 3**  
Pre-treat fringes (Refer to Fringe Cleaning Brochure). Pre-spray with either **Hydro Break** or **Fabric Prespray** depending on the pH you choose to use. Add **Citrus Solv** to your prespray when some additional cleaning power is needed.
- **STEP 4**  
Extract the rug with **Fiber Plus** or **End Zone**.
- **STEP 5**  
Mist **Fab-Set** over the rug extracted with **Fiber Plus** to make sure the fibers are left in the neutral range. Extract the fringes with **Fab-Set**.
- **STEP 6**  
Protect the rug with **Maxim**. Groom the fibers to lay in the same direction with a **Grandi Brush** after you have protected the rug.

- **STEP 7**  
Dry with **Air Movers** overnight.

### Chemicals Needed



#### Hydro Break

**Type:** Liquid Traffic Lane Prespray  
**Highlights:** All purpose prespray for residential and commercial carpets and for oriental rugs.



#### Fabric Prespray

**Type:** Liquid Preconditioner for Fine Fabrics  
**Highlights:** Very effective on a wide variety of soils and stains.



#### Fiber Plus

**Type:** All-Purpose Powder Extraction  
**Highlights:** Emulsifier with a low pH so it can be used on virtually any fiber that can be safely cleaned with water.



#### Fab-Clean

**Type:** Liquid Extraction End Zone and neutralizing Agent  
**Highlights:** Liquid emulsifier with a pH of 4 so it can be used on virtually any fiber that can be safely cleaned with water.



#### Citrus Solv

**Type:** Spotter/Degreaser  
**Highlights:** Easily cuts through gum, grease, tar, cosmetics and more.



#### Fab-Set

**Type:** Conditioner/neutralizer  
**Highlights:** Prevents soil wicking, browning and yellowing. Removes alkaline residue.



#### Maxim

**Type:** Fluorochemical Protector with acid dye resistors  
**Highlights:** Dries very quickly, has excellent wicking action and covers up to 2,400 sq. ft. per concentrated gallon.

### Accessories Needed



#### Grandi Brush

**Description:** Grooming Tool  
**Purpose:** This tool can be used for agitation of soiled traffic lanes and for the final grooming of carpets and rugs.



#### Air Mover

**Description:** High volume air mover  
**Purpose:** Dries carpet and upholstery quickly.



#### Wand

**Type:** Extraction Tool  
**Highlights:** Preferred tool used when cleaning wool rugs and other delicate carpets.

### Equipment Needed



#### Olympus Portable

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



## **PROCEDURE**

- 1 Identify and pre-inspect properly.
- 2 Vacuum thoroughly.
- 3 Pre-treat fringes.
- 4 Pre-spray with **Hydro Break** or **Fabric Prespray**.
- 5 Extract with **Fiber Plus** or **Fab-Clean**.
- 6 Neutralize with misting of **Fab-Set**. Extract fringes with **Fab-Set**.
- 7 Apply **Maxim** and groom with **Grandi Brush**.
- 8 Dry overnight with **Air Movers**.

## **PRODUCTS NEEDED**

- **Hydro Break**
- **Fabric Prespray**
- **Fiber Plus**
- **Fab-Clean**
- **Citrus Solv**
- **Fab-Set**
- **Maxim**
- **Air Mover**
- **Grandi Brush**
- **Wand**
- **Portable or Truckmount Extractor**

## **Other Resources**

**Bridgepoint Oriental Rug Cleaning  
Manual and Course**

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