

The Importance Of Clean Carpets

When entering any house the first thing that you usually notice is the flooring. Why? Because that is normally what you see the most of. That's why it's important to keep your flooring in good condition and clean. This is especially important if your floor is carpeted.

Clean and well-kept carpet is a nice feature in a home and adds to the attraction. Damaged, dirty, or poorly maintained carpet? Not so much.

Here are six reasons why you want to keep your carpet clean.

1. **Looks better.** To be honest, a dirty carpet is just plain...gross. Even dark-colored carpeting shows dirt, stains, and debris. Keeping your carpet clean makes your home look better overall.
2. **Lasts longer.** The better you maintain your carpet the longer it will last. A carpet left without regular cleaning quickly gets ruined. This means that you may be spending money on a new carpet when all you needed to do was maintain it better.
3. **They will smell better.** Carpet is made of fibers that not only attract dust and bacteria, but also smells. Without regular care, your carpet can quickly gather unpleasant odors that may be hard to get rid of.
4. **It's better for your children and pets.** Our children and pets spend a lot of time close to the ground, and therefore they are on the carpet the most often. We want the surface that our children and four-legged friends spend their time on to be as clean and sanitary as possible to ensure that their health is not negatively affected.
5. **Adds more value to your home.** New carpeting is costly. You may not be considering putting your home on the market right now, but in the long run, should you chose to sell your home, the better condition your carpet is in the more value it has.
6. **It is better for your health.** Carpet contains hidden microbes and bacteria and regular cleaning will keep those at a minimum and prevent further health issues such as breathing problems, allergies, and diseases. Also, the cleaner your carpet the better your air quality is in your home, and who doesn't want that?

Cleaning your carpet also ensures that it is kept free of pests such as black carpet beetles and dust mites, both of which can destroy your carpets and become health hazards.

How to clean your carpet

First, remove large debris with your hands or a broom. You can then either sweep your carpet well or vacuum it. Check for stains before washing with a gentle, mild carpet cleaner. Do not get your carpet sopping wet, rinse it well and dry quickly.

Woven carpet can be washed in the washing machine, and delicate carpets (such as wool or antique should be washed by hand).

If the carpet is small enough you can hang it outside to dry. Otherwise, open windows and doors or place fans around to help it to dry out as fast as possible.

How often should you clean your carpet?

While you can clean your carpets yourself, it's recommended to have your carpet cleaned by professionals every so often to get to the dirt at the bottom and wash it with the proper cleaning liquids.

It's advised to clean your carpet every 3-6 months and have it professionally cleaned at least once a year. However, this also depends on a few factors, such as if you smoke, have pets, or are allergic to dust. Depending on your circumstances, you might have to clean your carpet more frequently.

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