

Carpet Repair

How often you need to repair your carpet depends on you. There are instances such as burns, crushing, fading, furniture, bleeding, sprouting, and carpet beetles where you'll want to take action. Most of the time, you can finish a repair job without needing a professional, although there will be times when you will need professional assistance.

Burns

Burns occur when a cigarette butt or flame comes in contact with the carpet. If the burn is small, the burnt fibers of the carpet can be cut out with scissors. If the burn is large, you'll need to replace the area with a new piece of carpet. You can do this yourself if you know how, or have an installer do it.

Fuzzing

This occurs when loose fibers come out on the edges of the carpet. To fix this, simply cut the fibers that are sticking out.

Furniture marks

Heavy furniture can result in indentations being left on the carpet. To get rid of these nasty marks, you should sprinkle your carpet with some club soda, place a towel over the area, then iron it. Do this a couple of times and you will see your carpet begin to re-fluff.

Shading, crushing, and matting

A lot of traffic on the surface of the carpet will cause it to flatten, which may give some types of carpet a shaded appearance. If this happens, you should brush and vacuum the area. If you can't fix the problem, you may need to hire a professional, as this can sometimes be very tricky.

Shedding and snagging

Shedding is a problem of usage, as the fibers will surface on the carpet. This isn't a defect in

manufacturing, but a normal problem. To fix it, you'll need to vacuum the area. The snags on the other hand are tufts that have pulled out of the surface of the carpet. They will occur more often with loop pile than cut pile carpets. You should never pull them off, but instead cut them off neatly with a pair of scissors.

Sprouting

A carpet is known to have sprouts only when there are tufts on it, which are longer than the rest. As pulling on them will only damage the carpet more, you should trim them off with scissors and level them down to the rest of the pile.

Static electricity

This depends on the carpet material, construction, and padding. Humidity will play an important role as the moisture in the air is absorbed by the carpet fibers. A humidifier will help to retain moisture, and you can also spray the surface of the carpet with an anti static agent.

Carpet beetles

The best way to deal with carpet beetles is with a strong vacuum suction. You should always avoid spillage and keep the surface of the carpet clean of food. The carpet beetles are quite annoying, as they feed on wool, hair, hides, fur, grain, seeds, and flour. If the carpet is infested bad, you professional cleaner is the way to go.

Bleeding or crocking

Bleeding of the carpet is the loss or transfer of the color from one section to another. Good underlayments can help to prevent bleeding to a certain degree. Crocking on the other hand is the loss of the carpets color when it is rubbed. To avoid this, simply avoid getting your carpet wet.

A carpet installation job that is one right can help you reduce your repair worries to quite

an amazing degree. You can always call a pro as well, as their services will often end up being much cheaper than if you were to go ahead and replace the entire carpet.

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