Training Information

CLEANING CARPET USING THE BONNET METHOD

Tools & Materials Needed:

- A. Floor machine equipped with "bonnet" pad holder
- B. Bonnets or carpet pads
- C. Vacuum, with beater brush if appropriate
- D. Pump up sprayer
- E. Two mop buckets and wringers
- F. Clean rags
- G. Carpet rake
- H. Putty knife
- I. Protective pads for furniture legs
- J. "Wet floor" signs
- K. Gloves and goggles

Products:

- 1. Carpet spotter(s)
- 2. Gum remover
- 3. Bonnet cleaning detergent

Procedures:

- I. Bonnet Cleaning
 - A. Bonnet cleaning provides a good method of surface cleaning the carpet.
 - B. This method allows the cleaned carpet to be back in service after a very short drying time.
 - C. Bonnet cleaning can lengthen the time between extraction cleaning.
 - D. Remove or move as much furniture as possible from the area to be bonnet cleaned.
 - E. Vacuum the carpet to be cleaned using a beater vacuum, if appropriate to the installation method.
 - F. Spot clean carpet stains using your bonnet cleaner or carpet stain remover.
 - 1. Remove any gum found on the carpet using the gum remover and a putty knife.
 - G. Place "wet floor" signs around area.
 - 1. Using a pump up sprayer filled with diluted bonnet cleaner, spray an area of carpet 10' by 10'.
 - a. Let set 5-10 minutes.
 - b. Spray an adjoining area 10' by 10'.
 - 2. Start bonnet cleaning the first area sprayed.
 - a. Move machine with bonnet pad in place back and forth in a left to right motion.
 - b. Turn one quarter and repeat motion left to right to clean from all directions.

- 3. Turn bonnet over as it becomes soiled.
 - a. A dirty bonnet will spread soil, not pick it up.
 - b. Rinse dirty bonnet in clean water.
 - c. Wring out the rinsed pad as dry as possible before putting back under the machine.
 - d. Use a clean bonnet whenever the pad becomes too dirty.
- 4. Use clean rags to get into corners and around other obstructed areas.
- 5. Rake the nap up.
- 6. Spray a third area 10' by 10' and start working on the second area sprayed. Continue until the entire area has been cleaned.
- 7. Carpet should be dry in a short time.

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- I. The immersion method
 - 1. Fill one bucket with clean water. Fill the other with diluted cleaner.
 - 2. Immerse the bonnet in the cleaner. Wring it out. Place bonnet on the floor machine and clean the area in 6' widths.
 - 3. When the bonnet becomes soiled, turn it over and use the other side.
 - a. When both sides are soiled, remove the bonnet from the machine, rinse in clear water and wring out.
 - b. Immerse the bonnet in the cleaning solution again and wring out.
 - c. Repeat the cleaning procedure.
 - 4. Use clean rags to get into corners and around other obstructed areas.
 - 5. Rake the nap up.
- J. If furniture is to be replaced before the carpet is dry, use protective pads under the legs.