

Bonnet Carpet Cleaning

- **Principles of Bonnet Cleaning**

An interim carpet maintenance procedure which cleans only the surfaces of the fibers, with minimal moisture which leads to quick dry time. Bonnet cleaning essentially consists of a cotton, rayon and /or polypropylene pad and a rotary shampoo machine. It is among the easiest of carpet methods to learn.

- **Equipment / Items Needed**

- Bonnet Cleaner, 3-N-1 Pre-spray Cleaner
- Rotary Floor Machine (175 rpm) w/t Pad Holder
- Mop Bucket with Wringer (2)
- Caution Signs
- Vacuum Cleaner
- Pump up Sprayer

- **Bonnet Cleaning Procedure**

1. Remove furniture and vacuum the entire area to be cleaned.
2. Remove any and all spots and stains.
3. Pre-spray problem areas with a pre-spray solution with a pump-up sprayer. Do not allow pre-spray to dry.
4. In bucket #1, mix bonnet cleaner according to directions.
5. Dip carpet bonnet in bucket #1 and wring until almost dry.
6. Place bonnet pad beneath machine and work the bonnet across the carpet in a 4 x 8 area at a time. Turning the bonnet to the clean side as it becomes soiled.
7. Rinse soiled bonnet in bucket #2, filled with clean water.
8. Repeat steps 4 – 7 until entire area is cleaned.
9. Allow drying time before replacing furniture.
10. Once carpet is dry, vacuum area thoroughly.

- **Helpful Hints / Tips**

- Use of a Pre-spray improves cleaning efficiency and appearance uniformity.
- Work the bonnet in a slow, side to side motion.
- Move bonnet slowly backward making sure to overlap the area.
- If faster drying times are required, use a fan or run a dry bonnet pad over the area.