

## Carpet and rug maintenance tips.

Taking care of your carpets and rugs is very important to all homeowners. They act like a filter trapping particles, dust, and other airborne pollutants. It is most important to have a professional company like **Yeatts Inc.** clean carpets and rugs as needed if you or a family member suffers from allergies or asthma. Remember cleaning solutions made just for allergy or asthma sufferers are available via ResponsibleCare™ Products from **MasterBlend®**. There are other aspects of maintaining clean carpets and rugs that can be performed by the homeowner. **Yeatts Inc.** offers some helpful tips below that will contribute to maintaining clean carpets and rugs before and after professional cleaning. We love to give our dogs treats during the day. They take the hard biscuit or soft treat to their favorite area on the floor, carpet, or rug and chomp away. Usually nothing is left behind. Animal or even synthetic bones can cause more of a problem. Natural bones along with the dog's saliva can produce a protein based stain especially if meat is still on the bone. Also if any marinade containing mustard or tomato is on the meat, then the stain becomes more difficult to remove. **Try to avoid giving your dogs plastic bones for a reward or treat.** Supposedly plastic bones are safe for dogs to digest. However, as witnessed by **Yeatts Inc.** technicians, if a dog eats the plastic bone and vomits pieces of the plastic bone on carpets, rugs, or any fabric, you had better discover and treat the area promptly with **Y.E.S. spotters**. Once the plastic in the vomit dries, the plastic almost has to be scrapped off the carpeting or fabric. Also all bones natural or man-made can chip dogs' teeth, especially younger and older dogs. Vacuum your carpets and rugs at least once per week. Of course vacuuming carpets and rugs will remove food particles, hair, and other debris. Also by now, almost all vacuums come equipped with modern filters that are changed or washable. Thus, most vacuums will remove dust or other potential airborne pollutants. It is especially important to vacuum carpets and rugs at least once per week in the Summer to remove moth, beetle, or flea eggs or larvae hidden in the fibers.



Vacuum carpets and rugs.

For more information regarding vacuum cleaner maintenance just read our Fall 2012 enewsletter. We have mentioned placing inexpensive rugs in front of door entrances such as a front door. It is also a good idea to place a coir mat on the outside of the front door or outside any other door that is frequently used. Once or more a month, simply shake the coir mat vigorously out in the yard or slap the hard backing against a tree trunk for example. Please wear a mask and goggles when dusting the mat.



Here are two coir mats.

## Carpet and rug repair orders by Yeatts Inc.

Rugs and carpets get a lot of wear and use. After years of use, it is common to see fraying along the sides of rugs and fringe damage for example. With carpets, usually the problems are seen within the first year of installation. Carpets separating from entrances of rooms containing hard floors, thresholds, or at seams in a large room, or buckles throughout the carpets, is most common. Of course accidents such as burns, or poor maintenance will significantly increase the deterioration of your rugs and carpets. As **Yeatts Inc.** technicians have stressed, never try to vacuum fringes. Always rotate your rugs to increase longevity. If you see carpets separating from seams, thresholds, or buckling, then act fast. The longer you wait; expect more damage, or worse, irreversible damage.



We repair braided rugs.