

Spotting Procedures



degree of difficulty

1 (easiest – complete removal likely)

5 (extremely difficult to remove- limited expectation of success).



Acne Medications / Teeth Whitener / Benzoyl Peroxide

Description

Creams or gels are applied to the skin or teeth. Some medication remains on the hands and is transferred to the carpet. Benzoyl peroxide is a powerful bleaching agent (oxidizer) and actually removes color. It is not simply a stain. Discoloration often appears orange, often in a halo with greater color loss in the center. The shape of fingers or hand print may be seen.

Bleaching action is greatly accelerated by heat and moisture. Color loss may not be seen until HWE cleaning has started.

Tools Required

- Sprayer
- **Gum Getter** or spotting spatula
- White cotton colorfast towels

Chemicals Required

- Bridgepoint **Solvent Clean**
- Bridgepoint **Coffee Stain Remover**

Procedures

1. To neutralize known or suspected Benzoyl peroxide contamination, apply **Solvent Clean** using a clean white cotton towel. Wipe gently from several directions.
2. Mix **Coffee Stain Remover** with hot water. Apply generously with sprayer.
3. Agitate gently to assure penetration.
4. The above steps will remove and neutralize the contamination keeping it from getting worse during HWE cleaning but will not replace lost color. Color repair with spot dyes or making a bonded insert should be considered.

