



# **Stain Removal Suggestions**

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# Colored Pencils

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## Introduction

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### *Stain Removal*

The suggestions for removing stains have been compiled as a service to our consumers. We are unable to guarantee or be responsible for the results obtained by these procedures. You may also wish to consult your local cleaner for further recommendations.

Before attempting the stain removal method, test each procedure on an inconspicuous area of the material or surface to be cleaned. Please be advised these stain removal methods involve hazardous products and are intended only for adult use. Crayola does not recommend children attempt these procedures.

In many procedures, specific brands of products are recommended. These are brands that performed most effectively in our laboratory. Always check individual containers for recommended procedures and warnings. Competitive brand products may work equally well.

# Colored Pencils

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## *Surface*

brick

## *Materials*

- Stiff bristle brush
- Soft cloth
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)

## *Procedure*

Spray with WD-40 and brush with a stiff bristle brush. Re-spray and wipe clean with a soft cloth.

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## *Surface*

carpeting

## *Materials*

- Sponge
- Paper towels
- Dull knife or metal spoon
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)
- Small stiff bristle brush
- Liquid dish soap

## *Procedure*

Scrape excess colored pencil off with a dull-edge knife or metal spoon. Spray with WD-40 and let stand a few minutes. With a small, stiff bristle brush work colored pencil stain and wipe with paper towels. Respray with WD-40 and apply liquid dish soap on the sprayed area; work in with the brush and wipe stain away with a damp sponge. If stain remains, repeat the procedure. For another method, use any brand upholstery cleaner as directed on the container.

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## *Surface*

carpeting – commercial grade short pile

## *Materials*

- Soft cloth
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)

## ***Procedure***

Spray stain with WD-40 and rub with soft cloth until stain is removed

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## ***Surface***

chalkboard – slate or green

## ***Materials***

- Soft cloth
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)
- Warm water
- Sponge
- Liquid dish soap

## ***Procedure***

Spray the surface to be cleaned with WD-40 and wipe clean with a soft cloth. If residue remains add liquid dishwashing soap to water. Wash the surface with a sponge working in a circular motion and rinse.

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## ***Surface***

concrete

## ***Materials***

- Stiff bristle brush
- Soft cloth
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)

## ***Procedure***

Spray with WD-40 and brush with a stiff bristle brush. Re-spray and wipe clean with a soft cloth.

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## ***Surface***

durable cloth car interiors

## ***Materials***

- Sponge

- Paper towels
- Dull knife or metal spoon
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)
- Small stiff bristle brush
- Liquid dish soap

## ***Procedure***

Scrape excess colored pencils off with a dull-edge knife or metal spoon. Spray with WD-40 and let stand a few minutes. With a small, stiff bristle brush work colored pencil stain and wipe with paper towels. Respray with WD-40 and apply liquid dish soap on the sprayed area; work in with the brush and wipe stain away with a damp sponge. If stain remains, repeat the procedure. For another method, use any brand upholstery cleaner as directed on the container.

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## ***Surface***

fabrics—fresh stains/heat-set stains(melted)

## ***Materials***

- Laundry detergent
- Paper towels
- Bleach for colored clothing (Clorox 2® or OxiClean powder)
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)
- Liquid dish soap

## ***Procedure***

Place the stained surface down on pad of paper towels, spray with WD-40, let stand a few minutes, turn fabric over and spray the other side. Apply liquid dish soap and work into the stained area, replacing toweling as it absorbs the stain. Wash in hot water with laundry detergent and Clorox 2 or OxiClean powder for about 12 minutes (use heavy soiled setting if there is no minute timer on your machine) and rinse in warm water. **SPECIAL NOTE:** Heat-Set Stains—Clean the drum of your dryer to remove any remaining wax residue. Spray a soft cloth with WD-40, and wipe the drum. Clean the WD-40 residue from the drum by washing with liquid dish soap and water. Run a load of dry rags through a drying cycle to ensure that your drum is clean.

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## ***Surface***

finished wood (paint, stain, varnish)

## ***Materials***

- Soft cloth
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)
- Warm water
- Sponge
- Liquid dish soap

## ***Procedure***

Spray the surface to be cleaned with WD-40 and wipe clean with a soft cloth. If residue remains add liquid dishwashing soap to water. Wash the surface with a sponge working in a circular motion and rinse.

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## ***Surface***

Formica® and metal

## ***Materials***

- Soft cloth
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)
- Warm water
- Sponge
- Liquid dish soap

## ***Procedure***

Spray the surface to be cleaned with WD-40 and wipe clean with a soft cloth. If residue remains add liquid dishwashing soap to water. Wash the surface with a sponge working in a circular motion and rinse.

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## ***Surface***

glass and porcelain

## ***Materials***

- Soft cloth
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)
- Warm water
- Sponge
- Liquid dish soap

## ***Procedure***

Spray the surface to be cleaned with WD-40 and wipe clean with a soft cloth. If residue remains add liquid dishwashing soap to water. Wash the surface with a sponge working in a circular motion and rinse.

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## ***Surface***

marble

## ***Materials***

- Soft cloth
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)
- Warm water
- Sponge
- Liquid dish soap

## ***Procedure***

Spray the surface to be cleaned with WD-40 and wipe clean with a soft cloth. If residue remains add liquid dishwashing soap to water. Wash the surface with a sponge working in a circular motion and rinse.

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## ***Surface***

painted walls

## ***Materials***

- Soft cloth
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)
- Warm water
- Sponge
- Liquid dish soap

## ***Procedure***

Spray the surface to be cleaned with WD-40 and wipe clean with a soft cloth. If residue remains add liquid dishwashing soap to water. Wash the surface with a sponge working in a circular motion and rinse.

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## ***Surface***

plastic

## ***Materials***

- Soft cloth
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)
- Warm water
- Sponge
- Liquid dish soap

## ***Procedure***

Spray the surface to be cleaned with WD-40 and wipe clean with a soft cloth. If residue remains add liquid dishwashing soap to water. Wash the surface with a sponge working in a circular motion and rinse.

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## ***Surface***

scrubbable wallpaper

## ***Materials***

- Soft cloth
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)
- Warm water
- Sponge
- Liquid dish soap

## ***Procedure***

Spray the surface to be cleaned with WD-40 and wipe clean with a soft cloth. If residue remains add liquid dishwashing soap to water. Wash the surface with a sponge working in a circular motion and rinse.

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## ***Surface***

tile

## ***Materials***

- Soft cloth
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)
- Warm water
- Sponge
- Liquid dish soap

## ***Procedure***

Spray the surface to be cleaned with WD-40 and wipe clean with a soft cloth. If residue remains add liquid dishwashing soap to water. Wash the surface with a sponge working in a circular motion and rinse.

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## ***Surface***

unwashable materials

## ***Materials***

- None

## ***Procedure***

For non-washable materials, consult a professional dry cleaner.

## *Surface*

upholstery

## *Materials*

- Sponge
- Paper towels
- Dull knife or metal spoon
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)
- Small stiff bristle brush
- Liquid dish soap

## *Procedure*

Scrape excess colored pencil off with a dull-edge knife or metal spoon. Spray with WD-40 and let stand a few minutes. With a small, stiff bristle brush work colored pencil stain and wipe with paper towels. Respray with WD-40 and apply liquid dish soap on the sprayed area; work in with the brush and wipe stain away with a damp sponge. If stain remains, repeat the procedure. For another method, use any brand upholstery cleaner as directed on the container.

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## *Surface*

vinyl flooring—no wax

## *Materials*

- Soft cloth
- WD-40® (car part lubricant)
- Warm water
- Sponge
- Liquid dish soap

## *Procedure*

Spray the surface to be cleaned with WD-40 and wipe clean with a soft cloth. If residue remains add liquid dishwashing soap to water. Wash the surface with a sponge working in a circular motion and rinse.

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# Twistables® Colored Pencils

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## *Surface*

appliances

## *Materials*

- Paper towels

## *Procedure*

Spray product on surface according to the directions on container. Wipe with paper towels. If stain remains, repeat procedure.

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## *Surface*

carpet

## *Materials*

- Paper towels
- Sponge
- Oxi Clean® carpet cleaner
- Woolite® Oxy Deep carpet cleaner
- Spot Shot® (carpet stain remover)

## *Procedure*

Remove as much of the stain as possible using paper towels to blot the stain. Use Woolite Oxy Deep carpet cleaner according to the directions on the container. Allow stain to stand and penetrate for 5 minutes. Blot area with a clean paper towel or sponge, being careful not to spread the stain. Vacuum when carpet is dry. If stain remains, repeat procedure. You may use any of the other carpet cleaners listed according to the direction on the containers.

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## *Surface*

Chalkboard (green)

## *Materials*

- Paper towels

## *Procedure*

Spray product on surface according to the directions on container. Wipe with paper towels. If stain remains, repeat procedure.

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## ***Surface***

durable cloth car interiors

## ***Materials***

- Paper towels
- Sponge
- Oxi Clean® carpet cleaner
- Woolite® Oxy Deep carpet cleaner
- Spot Shot® (carpet stain remover)

## ***Procedure***

Remove as much of the stain as possible using paper towels to blot the stain. Use Woolite Oxy Deep carpet cleaner according to the directions on the container. Allow stain to stand and penetrate for 5 minutes. Blot area with a clean paper towel or sponge, being careful not to spread the stain. Vacuum when carpet is dry. If stain remains, repeat procedure. You may use any of the other carpet cleaners listed according to the direction on the containers.

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## ***Surface***

fabrics—fresh stains/heat—set stains(melted)

## ***Materials***

- Tide® powder detergent with bleach

## ***Procedure***

Fill washing machine with as hot of water as possible for the fabric (check manufacturer's care label). Dissolve Tide powder detergent with bleach. Wash fabric on heavy soiled cycle (12 minutes). Remove fabric and air dry. If stain remains, repeat procedure. Oxi Clean powder detergent may be used for extra cleaning power. Follow directions on container. If garment is white, chlorine bleach may be used

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## ***Surface***

finished wood (paint, stain, varnish)

## ***Materials***

- Paper towels

## ***Procedure***

Spray product on surface according to the directions on container. Wipe with paper towels. If stain remains, repeat procedure.

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## ***Surface***

Formica®

## ***Materials***

- Paper towels

## ***Procedure***

Spray product on surface according to the directions on container. Wipe with paper towels. If stain remains, repeat procedure.

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## ***Surface***

glass

## ***Materials***

- Paper towels
- Windex®

## ***Procedure***

Spray product on surface according to the directions on container. Wipe with paper towels. If stain remains, repeat procedure.

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## ***Surface***

metal

## ***Materials***

- Paper towels

## ***Procedure***

Spray product on surface according to the directions on container. Wipe with paper towels. If stain remains, repeat procedure.

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## ***Surface***

mirrors

- Paper towels
- Windex®

## ***Procedure***

Spray product on surface according to the directions on container. Wipe with paper towels. If stain remains, repeat procedure.

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## ***Surface***

painted wallboard

## ***Materials***

- Paper towels
- Goo-Be-Gone® cleaner

## ***Procedure***

Use Goo-Be-Gone according to the directions on the container. May also use Formula 409 cleaner according to the directions on the container. If stain remains, repeat procedure.

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## ***Surface***

painted walls

## ***Materials***

- Paper towels
- Goo-Be-Gone® cleaner

## ***Procedure***

Use Goo-Be-Gone according to the directions on the container. May also use Formula 409 cleaner according to the directions on the container. If stain remains, repeat procedure.

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## ***Surface***

Pergo® or finished flooring

## ***Materials***

- Paper towels

## ***Procedure***

Spray product on surface according to the directions on container. Wipe with paper towels. If stain remains, repeat procedure.

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## ***Surface***

plastic

## ***Materials***

- Paper towels

## ***Procedure***

Spray product on surface according to the directions on container. Wipe with paper towels. If stain remains, repeat procedure.

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## ***Surface***

porcelain

## ***Materials***

- Paper towels
- Windex®

## ***Procedure***

Spray product on surface according to the directions on container. Wipe with paper towels. If stain remains, repeat procedure.

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## ***Surface***

scrubbable wallpaper

## ***Materials***

- Paper towels
- Soft Scrub® (mild abrasive cleanser)

## ***Procedure***

Use Formula 409 cleaner according to the directions on the container. If stain remains, apply Soft Scrub to a moist paper towel, work in a circular motion and rinse.

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## ***Surface***

tile

## ***Materials***

- Paper towels
- Soft Scrub® (mild abrasive cleanser)

## ***Procedure***

Use Formula 409 cleaner according to the directions on the container. If stain remains, apply Soft Scrub to a moist paper towel, work in a circular motion and rinse.

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## ***Surface***

upholstery

## ***Materials***

- Paper towels
- Sponge
- Oxi Clean® carpet cleaner
- Woolite® Oxy Deep carpet cleaner
- Spot Shot® (carpet stain remover)

## ***Procedure***

Remove as much of the stain as possible using paper towels to blot the stain. Use Woolite Oxy Deep carpet cleaner according to the directions on the container. Allow stain to stand and penetrate for 5 minutes. Blot area with a clean paper towel or sponge, being careful not to spread the stain. Vacuum when carpet is dry. If stain remains, repeat procedure. You may use any of the other carpet cleaners listed according to the direction on the containers.

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