Wet Area Rug…What’s Next?

If your floor has become sopping wet from plumbing problems, a leaking roof, as a result of firefighting or anything else, you must do the best you can to manage the wet area rug and act quickly to seek restoration services. The floor and what lies underneath needs to be dried as soon as possible to prevent further damage and issues such as mold. Although it may be upsetting that your rug is drenched, the bigger problems lie in what is underneath the rug. It is absolutely vital to act quickly when water has accumulated in any area of your home.

1. If the floor has been saturated, removing the rug completely is the best approach to allow the floor underneath to dry out. Never allow the wet area rug to sit on the floor for a long period of time because it will do more damage to the rug itself and the floor surface beneath. You should begin drying the carpet after a leak quickly, and use a wet-dry vacuum to remove any standing water. You can choose to use tools like a carpet-drying fan or carpet-drying air mover to push the process forward and achieve the fast drying that’s key in stopping mold growth.
2. The longer you wait, the worse the damages can be. This is why you must act quickly and call a carpet restoration service as soon as possible! There are many different factors that can play into the restoration process and it is necessary that professionals come survey the area. Because it takes only 48 hours for mold to grow and become problematic, carpets need to be thoroughly dried and evaluated very quickly.
3. Now that you have tried to get rid of as much water as possible, it is in your hands to understand the urgency of the situation and why you must call a professional for help and be extra considerate of the floors affected underneath the damaged space. Not all of the damage is automatically visible, finding and eliminating hidden moisture requires special equipment. The same can be said for mold growth, professionals are needed to assess any mold spores that may have developed rapidly.

### Why should you hire a professional for carpet restoration?

* A professional is needed to properly find and eliminate moisture, prevent and get rid of mold, dry the damaged floor and subfloor and disinfect the carpet with professional products and equipment to ensure that bacterial and fungal contamination is completely eliminated.
* The best way to get your floor dried is by an expert because of the tools, equipment and expertise they have to your carpet swiftly, to enable them to fully restore your carpet.

Time is critical when it comes to carpet restoration so contact a professional immediately for the greatest chance of success.

You can rely on ReclaimIt Restoration and Carpet Cleaning for expert advice to properly care for your area rug. We will give you a free assessment.