# Quick-Start Instructions

Earth-Friendly Pet Odor & Stain Remover
DOODOO® VOODOO
It's Science, But It Works Like Magic!®

### It's Easy To Apply Doodoo Voodoo

How you apply Doodoo Voodoo depends on the surface you're treating, as well as how the odor-causing urine or other biological material got there. Following are a few examples, but feel free to visit **www.doodoovoodoo.com** for more application tips, to download our full instruction booklet and to e-mail us at **info@doodoovoodoo.com** if you have additional questions.

The short answer is that you simply pour or spray enough Doodoo Voodoo so it comes in contact with all the organic odor-causing material (urine, feces, blood, vomit, bile, etc.) after you first remove as much of the organic material as possible. On soft surfaces (carpet, upholstery, cloth), let Doodoo Voodoo air dry naturally (but don't blow a fan on it to make it dry faster). On hard surfaces (wood, vinyl, tile, concrete, etc.), thoroughly wet the area, let Doodoo Voodoo dwell for up to a half hour, then mop or wipe up any excess that remains and let the rest air dry naturally. (Note that Doodoo Voodoo should not be used on hardwood floors with damaged polyurethane surfaces. If odor control is more important to you than the condition of the floor, go ahead and treat, but be judicious.)

### Urine Sprayed On A Wall In A Carpeted Room

If your cat sprayed urine on a wall in a room that's carpeted and has baseboard installed, the urine likely splashed vertically & horizontally, as well as ran down into the carpet, carpet pad and subfloor, which may be wood or, if you're on a slab, concrete. Unless your baseboard is caulked where it meets the wall and the floor, urine likely seeped behind & under the baseboard. In this example, first clean up as much urine as possible by blotting with clean paper towels. Next, spray or wipe Doodoo Voodoo on the wall where the cat sprayed, making sure to wet the wall higher and wider than the urine likely did. (A blacklight can be employed to help show you how far the urine spread.) Let the Doodoo Voodoo run down and go where it wants to. Spray the baseboard, being sure to get the junctures between it and the wall and floor so Doodoo Voodoo can seep to the same places the urine did. Next, pour Doodoo Voodoo on the carpeted area adjacent to the baseboard/wall, being sure to treat more area than was soaked with urine on the surface of the carpet. You can use your rubber-soled shoe to tamp down the Doodoo Voodoo 'til you get bubbles and squishing, which means its going deep into your carpet pad. (Use disposable shoe covers if necessary to protect your shoe.) Urine creeps (spreads out) as it soaks in, so be sure to get Doodoo Voodoo in contact with all the urine. Doodoo Voodoo can't obliterate what it doesn't touch, so be sure to wet the entire area thoroughly. Start at the outside and pour IN toward the stain, not the opposite. You can gently agitate the area with a plastic-bristled brush (as shown) if you're trying to alleviate staining as well as odor.

### Tile Floors

Be sure to adequately wet the grout lines, as grout is very porous and soaks up urine like a sponge. Let the grout fully dry before deciding to re-treat. If your problem is severe and you just can't seem to get the smell out of your grout, we recommend pouring Doodoo Voodoo Concentrate directly on the grout lines. Doodoo Voodoo will clean and lighten your grout, so it's best to do all the grout in the room. Agitate Doodoo Voodoo into the grout with a toothbrush if desired. Afterward, you can recolorize and seal your grout if desired; visit www.groutshields.com to learn more. You can also use Doodoo Voodoo with your Hoover FloorMate floor cleaning machine (which we love!) by spraying Doodoo Voodoo on your floor, letting it dwell, then extracting it with the FloorMate. We prefer that you not apply Doodoo Voodoo with your FloorMate, as this doesn't let Doodoo Voodoo stay in contact long enough with the organic materials to be effective.

### How Strong A Mixture Do I Use?

You can use as little as 1/2oz. of Doodoo Voodoo Concentrate per quart of warm water or as much as 2oz. per quart. For many situations, particularly on hard surfaces, we recommend that you blend your first mixture at the 1/2 ounce strength, then bump up the amount of Concentrate in subsequent batches if you deem it necessary, but only after you've let the treated areas dry **fully**. For regular, maintenance cleaning on hard surfaces that aren't horribly stinky, you can weaken your mixture to just 1/2 or 1oz. of Doodoo Voodoo Concentrate per **gallon** of warm water (which generally shouldn't leave any discernible residue). Let the area air dry after mopping or wiping.

### Strength vs. Frequency

Our extensive experience has proven to us that it's better to treat an affected area *twice* with a weaker blend than it would be to treat *once* with a stronger blend. Also, be sure to allow sufficient time between treatments so your Doodoo Voodoo dries **completely** before you make your second application, if necessary. This can be 48 hours or more if carpet and pad are involved (or a furniture cushion, a mattress or any other foam-based item). If you really soaked the area, it can take days to fully dry, so don't rush to judgment or re-treat too soon.

### Doodoo Voodoo With A Carpet Cleaning Machine

Many customers ask about using Doodoo Voodoo in their carpet cleaning machine. Well, you *could* use Doodoo Voodoo Concentrate at a ratio of 1/2oz. - 2oz. per **gallon** of heated water in your carpet extraction machine, but we prefer that you follow a different method. We prefer that you pour or spray, perhaps with a pump-up sprayer such as is shown to the left, enough Doodoo Voodoo to thoroughly wet the areas, let the product dwell up to 30 minutes, THEN extract with your carpet cleaning machine. This allows Doodoo Voodoo to stay in contact with the offending organic material longer and will be more effective for you than the rapid apply/remove method a carpet cleaner uses.

Some customers have asked if it a bad idea to clean their carpet, given that the extra moisture could spread the urine even farther. Having done more than our share of carpet cleaning and having seen Doodoo Voodoo succeed so many times, we don't have a concern about this, as what Doodoo Voodoo contacts, it neutralizes. Spot treat the primary soiling more heavily than the rest of the (unsoiled?) carpet, but do treat it all, then extract and let it air dry naturally. You'll have to extract the spot-treated areas more than the rest of the carpet.

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### The Full Monty

Most users don't need to do anything more than properly apply Doodoo Voodoo to the areas that have been soiled. But some users, especially those who have had a recurring problem in the same area for an extended period of time, may need (and be willing) to dig a little deeper, so to speak. Here are some additional instructions for those of you who fall in that category. We advise that you keep your animals away from the area until you've completed these extra steps and everything has fully dried.

### Going Deep

In severely soiled carpets such as those that have repeatedly been resoiled in specific areas, it can be a good idea to pull the carpet loose, then treat and extract the back of the carpet. Doing this can actually save you money because you're able to more effectively get at all the odor-causing waste rather than having to pour/spray a larger quantity of Doodoo Voodoo from the top (walking surface) of the carpet in hopes of getting to all the waste. Once you've extracted the back of the carpet, spray it with Doodoo Voodoo to kill the odors from residual waste, then let it air dry naturally. We've found it best to not re-tack (reattach) the carpet until it has **fully** dried. (See our website's DOWNLOADS page for further instructions.) While this may not be feasible or necessary for all customers, it can work wonders.

### Carpet Pad

Padding retains odor-causing waste better than does the actual carpet. Given this, and the fact that padding is inexpensive and easy to install, if you're pulling your carpet back so you can extract the back of the carpet and treat (and perhaps seal) the subfloor, we advise that you discard the old pad and replace it with new pad. This doesn't cost much at all and can make a world of difference in areas that have been repeatedly resoiled. Replacing the pad may also be advisable for folks who've used a variety of products on the same areas, because the combination of products may have broken down the carpet pad structurally. Not a DIYer? Carpet installers are fast and inexpensive.

### Subflooring

Generally, your carpet will be laid over wood or concrete, both of which are porous and can retain pet urine quite well. If you're going to the extent of pulling back your carpet so you can clean its back, treat the subfloor with Doodoo Voodoo and perhaps replace your pad, we'd advise that you go a little further and consider sealing the subfloor. We've had experience with BIN sealer by Zinsser, as well as certain types of KILZ. Be aware that not all types of KILZ are appropriate for blocking odors, so read the labels carefully.

### Carpet Tack Strips

Because they're adjacent to the walls of your room, they can get really soaked with pet urine. These are incredibly inexpensive (typically less than a dollar for a 4' strip) and easy to replace, so if you're pulling the carpet back, replacing your pad, sealing your subfloor, etc., we advise that you also go ahead and replace your tack strips while you're at it. We like to caulk the old tack holes before installing new strips and we like to paint the strips with BIN/KILZ or at least PermaWhite, which is good at sealing but is not marketed for odor containment.

### Visqueen®

This is plastic sheeting you can purchase in rolls or large sheets at home improvement stores. After you treat your subfloor, you can consider installing Visqueen or a similar product over your subfloor before you put down your new pad. Because this keeps any future soiling from getting to your subfloor, where over time it would have the potential to do structural damage, it can save you lots of headaches and expense down the road. Visqueen isn't very expensive, so it's money well spent and it's easy to install with a staple gun. Note that covering an entire floor with Visqueen can seal in moisture and create a mold concern, so consider only Visqueening the perimeter of your room. This method allows for natural airflow and moisture dissipation while still protecting the perimeter from repeat soiling.

### Automotive Use

Doodoo Voodoo can be used on leather seats, but it should be used sparingly, as it can dry the leather. Be sure to follow up with a leather conditioner. Doodoo Voodoo is excellent on cigarette odors, and is particularly effective at removing sour milk smell. If possible, blot up as much of the spilled milk (latte, baby formula, etc.) as possible, then thoroughly wet the area with Doodoo Voodoo. Extraction can be performed and is beneficial, as the more of the offending liquid you remove, the better, but many customers don't need to extract.

### Doodoo Voodoo In The Laundry, On Shoes, Etc.

Yes, you can use Doodoo Voodoo Concentrate in your washing machine, but use it by itself, not in combination with your regular detergent. Don't use more water than necessary. It will not suds up like regular laundry detergent. Prespray odors and stains if desired, letting Doodoo Voodoo dwell for us to a half hour before laundering. If the items didn't come out odor-free, it might be helpful to mist them with Doodoo Voodoo after washing them, let them air dry, then rewash them and dry them normally in your dryer. Doodoo Voodoo has saved a lot of shoes, handbags, etc., but be aware that it can dry leather, so condition the leather after Doodoo Voodoo treatment. If you have an item such as a tie and it's been soiled, we recommend that you treat it with Doodoo Voodoo, then have it dry cleaned like normal (unless it's washable, of course). We know a veterinarian who got an expensive tie as a gift, then a pet's anal glands emptied on the tie. The vet treated the tie with Doodoo Voodoo...and the tie was salvaged! What have you got to lose? We say go for it.

### Other Tips

Often, pets will stand on furniture and spray urine on the wall. When they do this, it leaves characteristic streaks on the wall that will show up under a blacklight, but even then you sometimes have to look closely, and at an angle, to see the streaks. Be sure to check your walls for this, as there is generally not a large enough urine deposit on the carpet for you to notice prominently, even under a blacklight.

If you're cleaning up vomit, blood, etc., on carpet, you'll remove more of the stain if you put on rubber gloves and, using paper towels or rags, use your fingers to work down among the carpet fibers, not just on top of the carpet. This is hard to explain with just words, but I make sort of a "claw" with my four fingers and work Doodoo Voodoo into the base of the carpet fibers. If you go in multiple directions, you'll find that your stain removal will be more effective than if you just spray Doodoo Voodoo or if you just wipe across the top of the carpet.

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