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Removal of Common Brick Stains

◆ **Asphalt and emulsified asphalt**

Chill with ice (if warm outside), scrape away and scrub the surface with scouring or abrasive powder. You could also scrape off carefully with a trowel or Flat head screwdriver. Rinse with water.

◆ **Cutback asphalt and roofing tar**

Use a poultice made with talc or diatomaceous earth. Mix with kerosene, scrub, let dry and brush off. Repeat as needed.

◆ **Blood, candy, ketchup, mustard, grease drippings from food**

For stubborn stains apply liquid detergent full strength and allow it to penetrate for 20-30 minutes. Scrub and rinse with hot water. Removal is easier if these stains are treated immediately.

◆ **Caulking**

Scrape off excess and scrub with a poultice of denatured alcohol. Rinse with hot water and detergent. Acrylic latex caulk - follow guidelines for removal of latex paint.

◆ **Chewing gum**

Same as caulking, or scrub with naphtha.

◆ **Clay soil**

Scrape off dry material, scrub and rinse with hot water and strong detergent.

◆ **Creosote**

Apply a poultice with paint thinner and talc. Scrub and allow to dry. Scrape off, scrub with scouring powder and rinse with water.

◆ **Leaf, wood rot or tobacco stains**

Apply household bleach and scrub with a stiff bristled brush.

◆ **Mortar**

Let harden and carefully remove hardened spots with a trowel, putty knife or chisel.

◆ **Smoke**

Scrub with a poultice of talc with bleach diluted 1:5 with water. Rinse with water.

◆ **Oil or grease that has penetrated**

Mop up any excess oil with rags. Cover the area with oil absorbent (kitty litter) Talc, fuller's earth, diatomaceous earth can be used. Leave it on the stain for a day then sweep up.

◆ **Paint**

Fresh paint should be mopped up immediately with rags of paper towels by blotting. Do not wipe as this will spread the paint and extend the job of removal. If the paint is latex and water based, soak and then scrub area with hot water, scouring powder and a stiff brush until no more improvement is seen. Let the remaining paint dry and remove as described below.

◆ **Dried paint**

Scrape any excess oil-based paint, varnish or water based latex paint off the surface. Apply a commercial paint remover and let sit for 20-30 minutes. Loosen with gentle scrubbing. Do not rub the loosened paint into the surface of the pavers. Instead, blot up the loosened paint and thinner. Repeat as necessary.

◆ **Tire skid marks**

Scrub black area with water, detergent and scouring powder.



Brick Cleaners

◆ **Dirt and Grime Remover:**

Designed to remove heavy dirt and help restore pavers to their original appearance.

◆ **Rust Stain Remover:**

Specifically formulated for rust removal from concrete where oxidizing metals come in contact with pavement.

◆ **Oil, Paint and Sealer Remover:**

Contains specialized solvents designed to remove oil, tire marks and acrylic paints without harming the surface texture or integral coloring of concrete pavers.

◆ **Efflorescence Remover and General Cleaner:**

A superior overall cleaner, Efflorescence Remover and General Cleaner removes efflorescence and provides uniformity of color throughout the pavement surface. Used as the final step in cleaning pavers and prior to sealing.

◆ **Sealers:**

To preserve the original beauty of concrete paving stones and resist wear stains and water, sealing is recommended.

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