

# Maintenance Guidelines

## Knoll Velvet, 1970

### 466780

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#### **Maintenance Code**

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#### **Regular Maintenance**

Vacuum or brush lightly to remove surface dust. Mohair textiles should always be brushed and vacuumed in the same direction as the nap.

#### **General Recommendations**

Treat stains promptly. The longer a stain remains on the textile, the more difficult it will be to remove. A professional cleaning service is recommended.

Always pre-test any cleaning method in an inconspicuous area.

Several light applications of a cleaning agent are less harmful than a single concentrated application. Repeat stain treatment several times if necessary.

Never use heat to clean textiles. Heat can set stains.

Do not use solvent-based cleaning agents such as lacquer thinners, nail polish remover, pine oil or cleaning agents containing bleach. These agents may cause discoloration over time.

Do not over saturate the textile or let water pool in seams.

Always treat textiles with care. Vigorous rubbing may damage the nap of the mohair textile.

#### **Stain Treatment**

For oil and water-based stains, use a clean, soft, white cloth, moistened slightly with lukewarm water to soak up the initial stain. If further cleaning is required, apply a diluted carpet/upholstery shampoo with a damp, clean, soft, white cloth. Never apply the cleaning solution directly to the upholstery. Carefully blot the stain in the direction of the nap. Once the stain has been treated, remove the cleaning agent with a clean, soft, white cloth and lukewarm water. If necessary, apply a small amount of mineral spirits with a clean, soft, white cloth to remove any residue. Completely remove all cleaning solution residue as left over residue can attract soil over time.

For persistent stains (e.g. rust, blood, etc.), add a level teaspoon of citric acid to a quart of cold water. Apply a small amount of the solution to a clean, soft, white cloth. Carefully blot the stain in the direction of the nap. Once the stain has been treated, remove the cleaning agent with a clean, soft, white cloth and lukewarm water. Completely remove all cleaning solution residue as left over residue can attract soil over time.

For insoluble stains (e.g. chewing gum, candle wax, etc.), use a plastic bag filled with ice to rub the stain until the substance becomes brittle. Gently break the stain into small parts and carefully remove from the textile. If necessary, apply a small amount of mineral spirits with a clean, soft, white cloth to remove any residue. Completely remove all cleaning solution residue as left over residue can attract soil over time.

Allow the textile to dry thoroughly. If necessary, use a hair dryer on a low temperature setting. Vacuum before using

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**Notes**

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