

## 5 Reasons to Replace Your Carpet

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Your carpet may be a little worn out or you just feel to change it. Carpets do not last for a lifetime, they generally last for about 5 to 15 years.

### 1. Flooding

If your basement is flooded that has carpet flooring, you should remove it immediately. Leaving it wet will contribute to bacteria and mold growth and damage the subfloor, if present, as well. A soaked carpet must be dried thoroughly before you make sure whether or not it is safe to reinstall. You will have to start the drying process within the initial 72 hours to avoid bacteria growth. Unfortunately, the soaked pad underneath the carpet turns into junk, it should be thrown away and replaced.

### 2. Wear and Tear

If your carpet gets discolored, frayed, pulled up near the walls, and matted down, this means your carpet life is about to end and it should be replaced. If just some sections of your carpet look worn out, you may consider repairing those particular sections. However, if your carpet shows signs of age, you must replace it entirely.

### 3. Visible Stains

Usually, new carpets come with a stain resistant treatment. With time and regular foot traffic, the fibers begin to wear and the treatment starts to wear off. This is the time when your carpet gets prone to stains. Professional carpet cleaners can remove many types of stains, but some will never go away.

Some stains can be unsightly but some types of stains are dangerous to health. Those left behind from pets, mold, or vomit can leave toxins behind that remain in your carpet and in air as well. In such cases, replacing the carpet is the best thing to do.

### 4. Odor and Allergens

If you notice odor creeping up from your carpet, even after you have had it cleaned, the smell may be coming from the pad placed underneath or from the one deeply set in the carpet fibers, which will not go away as the mold may have begun to set in. In this case, changing the carpet is probably a good idea to make sure the mold in air or other harmful allergens are not getting in your lungs.

Carpet hoards all the dirt, dust and other allergens that is not removed by vacuuming and cleaning over the years. If someone in your home has allergies, it is important to pay attention to the matter and get rid of that carpet as soon as possible and get a new one.

### 5. Old Padding

The soft feeling under your feet when a new carpet is installed is due to the padding underneath the carpet. The bounciness of the padding gets lost over time and the floor begins to feel hard. Replace the padding even if the carpet is in good condition. Mostly, both are worn down and need to be replaced.

If you are looking to hire reliable and affordable flooring services, you can consider turning to [carpet flooring San Diego & Vista](#) professionals at [Unique Flooring](#). The experts will also guide you to get the best suitable flooring option.