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Take the U.S. Products Low Moisture Extractor Quiz

Green Cleaning is much more than just chemicals. It includes products, tools, and equipment as well.

When it comes to carpet cleaning, one of the "greenest" and healthiest ways way to clean carpets is by using low moisture carpet extractors.

The U.S. Products *Low Moisture Extractor Quiz* below should help you understand a bit more about low moisture extractors and the role they play in "greening" carpet cleaning.

1. To prevent the growth of mold and mildew, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) says carpets should dry within how many hours after carpet extraction?

- a. 12 hours
- b. 24 hours
- c. 48 hours

2. Some experts disagree with EPA's estimation and feel that carpets should dry in no more than 12 hours after carpet extraction?

- a. True
- b. False

3. A low moisture carpet extractor uses how many gallons of water per minute?

- a. Approximately 1 gallon
- b. Approximately 2 gallons
- c. Approximately 3 or more gallons

4. A low moisture extractor can dry carpets in as little as:

- a. 30 minutes
- b. 1 hour
- c. Between 2 and 4 hours



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5. Some older carpet extractors use how many gallons of water per minute?

- a. About 1 gallon
- b. 3 to 4 gallons
- c. 5 gallons

6. Which market would most benefit from a low moisture extractor?

- a. Education
- b. Healthcare
- c. Hospitality
- d. All of the above
- e. a & b

7. Which of the four cleaning factors in TACT are emphasized in some low-moisture equipment?

- a. Heat
- b. Time
- c. Agitation
- d. Temperature

8. If a low moisture extractor also heats the cleaning solution, what will the likely result be?

- a. The cleaning chemicals will work more efficiently
- b. Heat has little or no effect on drying time
- c. Heat will facilitate drying time
- d. Both a & c

9. Some low moisture extractors depend on the vacuum capacity of the machine to remove moisture from carpets. How can this be improved to facilitate drying?

- a. Install more powerful vacuum motors
- b. Place the vacuum motor closer to the base of the machine
- c. With a low moisture extractor, the vacuum's capabilities are less important

10. Why would a low moisture extractor be considered a Green machine?

- a. It uses less water and chemical
 - b. If certified-Green chemicals are used
 - c. Because it might significantly decrease drying time
 - d. All of the above
 - e. None of the above
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Answers: 1. C; 2. A; 3. A; 4. A; 5. B; 6. D; 7. C 8. D; 9. B; 10. D

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