Choosing a carpet cleaner: a practical comparison guide

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Start with the job, not the headline

Write down which rooms, stairs and furnishings you want assessed. Separate the carpeted area from the size of the whole property. Record access limits, furniture you cannot move and any time constraints. A quote becomes easier to compare when each company receives the same brief.

Ask what the price includes

Request a written list of included work and optional additions. Ask whether the quote covers moving particular furniture, working on stairs, treating individual marks and returning to inspect a problem. Do not assume that packages with similar names contain the same tasks. Keep the final agreed version.

Give the cleaner useful material information

Locate the maker, model or care instructions where possible. Tell the provider about previous treatments and any known colour change or damage. Photographs can support a conversation, but do not establish how an unseen backing, filling or underlay will respond. Ask what assessment is needed before work begins.

Read the limits as carefully as the promises

Ask which outcomes are uncertain and how an unsuitable material or a permanent mark will be handled. Have the provider explain the proposed method, drying arrangements and when the area can be used. Ask who to contact if the result differs from the written scope, and what the complaint process involves.

Compare a complete proposal

Use four columns: item, provider A, provider B and question still open. Enter the same rooms and the same exclusions in each column. A lower total may describe a smaller job. An impressive guarantee is useful only when its conditions, time limits and responsible business are clear.

Your record before booking

Keep the provider name and verified contact details, quote date, rooms or items, inclusions, exclusions, access arrangements and agreed follow-up. Record questions rather than filling gaps with assumptions. This guide provides no estimate or endorsement and does not offer appointments or continue any former cleaning business.

Source and edition note

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