How to Remove Wax From Clothing

A guide to prevent you from having to throw away your favorite shirt after being dipped in a wax melt.

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INTRODUCTION

You have a wonderfully smelling wax candle, that freshens up the room. But it gets knocked over onto your carpet or you reach your hand over it and your favorite shirt sleeve dips into it. Don't throw it away, iron it out! Read below to see how.

🔧 TOOLS:

- Ironing Board (1)
- Iron (1)
- Brown Paper Bag (1)

Can use as many as needed, depending on spill size.

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Step 1 — Removing Dried Wax

- Set up the ironing board.

- Plug in the iron and turn it on.

- (i) Your iron may need some time to heat up, especially if it is an older model.

Step 2

- Place your piece of clothing onto the ironing board.

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Step 3

- Take your brown paper bag and fold it over the affected area, being sure to cover both sides of the waxy clothing.
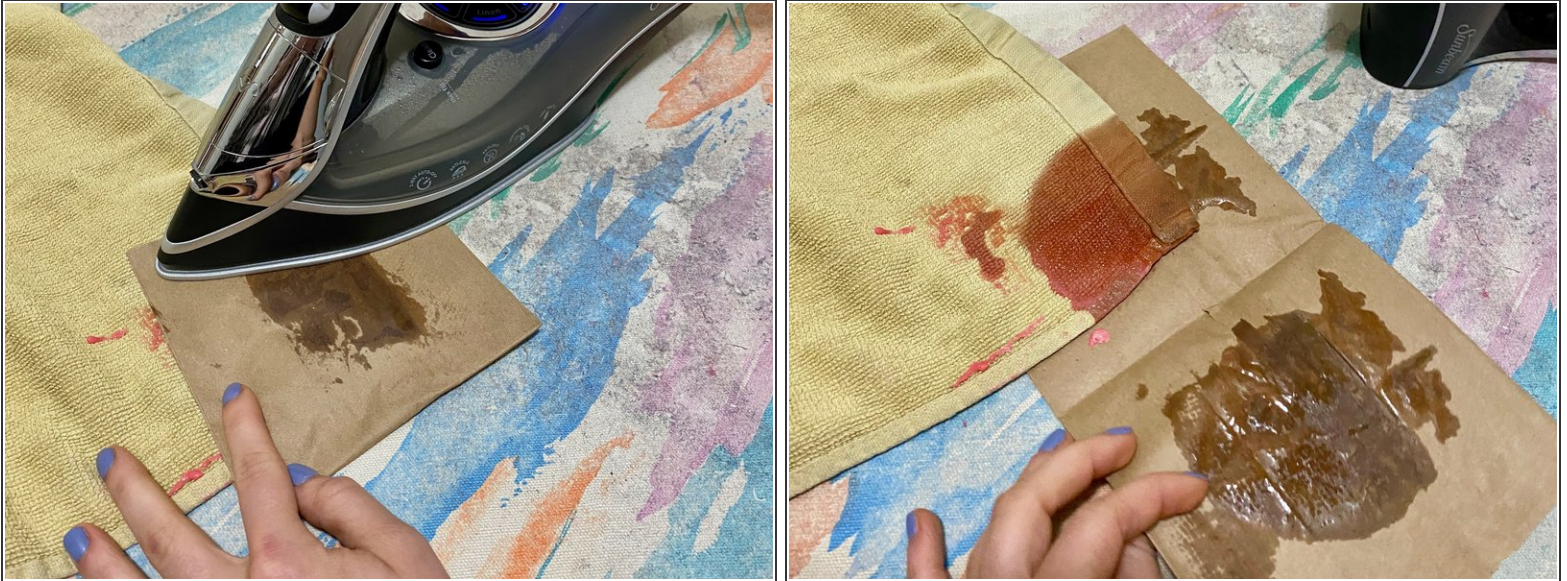
Step 4

- Press the iron on top of the brown paper bag.

- Move the iron around as if you are ironing wrinkles out.

⚠️ Be careful not to burn your fingers.

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Step 5

- Lift up the brown paper bag once it looks like the oil has saturated the bag.

- Repeat steps 3-5 with new bags, until the remainder of the wax is soaked up.

Step 6

- Feel free to wash your item now that the wax is removed, just as you normally would.

To finish getting wax out it is not a bad idea to wash your item, if possible, in a washing machine for a clothing item or use carpet wash for the carpet.