

Foam Blocks

White or Blue, What's the Difference?

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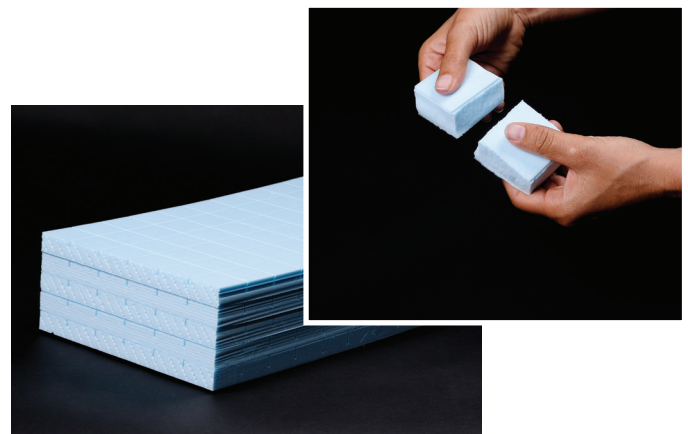
Why use Foam Blocks? Foam Blocks are made out of polystyrene, a material that is perfect for keeping furniture off wet carpets for the following reasons.

- Resistant to acids, bases and other harsh chemicals
- Doesn't rust
- Will not corrode, rot or support the growth of mold or mildew (this is critical when leaving something on damp carpet)
- Height and strength permits use under filing cabinets or other furniture where plastic tabs are not ideal
- Very strong
- Inexpensive enough to leave behind at a job.



Blue Blocks

Also called XPS or Extruded Polystyrene foam, Blue Blocks are composed of closed-cell foam that is fed into an extruder and then placed into a die, where it expands, cools and is then trimmed to dimension. Because of the extrusion process and single-piece construction, Blue Blocks are smoother and more dense than White Blocks. This allows them to snap off without making a mess and support those really heavy couches.



White Blocks

Also called EPS or Expanded Polystyrene foam, White Blocks also use a closed-cell construction, but differ from Blue Blocks because they use pre-expanded beads. These beads are placed into a mold, fused together and then cooled. Because White Blocks are composed of loosely fused beads, they can 'crumble' when broken off and leave small beads on the carpet.



ADVANTAGE

	WHITE BLOCKS	BLUE BLOCKS
Less Expensive	X	
Resistance to chemicals	Equal	Equal
No 'crumbling'		X
Weight supported		X