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If a small portion of a front or rear floor carpet has been damaged (unraveled, burned, etc.), the carpet may be repaired as follows:

1. Using a sharp knife or other suitable tool, cut out the damaged section of carpet pile, leaving only the jute foundation pad (Fig. 1).
2. Cut a piece of burlap webbing to size that will extend approximately 1/2" to 3/4" beyond perimeter of area being repaired. NOTE: Convertible top side roof rail stay pad burlap webbing is recommended for this repair.
3. Using a trim regulator, or similar flat-bladed tool, loosen jute foundation pad from the carpet backing (1/2" to 3/4") around perimeter of repair area.
4. Apply a neoprene type weatherstrip adhesive to the jute pad in repair cavity.
5. Install the burlap webbing over the pad using a trim regulator to stuff and smooth edge of patch.
6. From a concealed place such as under the front seat, remove a section of carpet of sufficient size to repair damaged area.
7. Trim carpet, being used as patch, to exact size of area to be repaired.
8. Apply neoprene type weatherstrip adhesive to burlap webbing and to underside of carpet patch.
9. Insert carpet patch in repair cavity and firmly press patch into place to insure a satisfactory bond. Clean off any traces of weatherstrip adhesive.
10. When repair area has thoroughly dried, use a whisk broom or stiff bristle brush to blend patch with the surrounding carpet.

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