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Dry-ice blasting, direct from the source

Damage restoration specialist ServiceMaster first to own Cold Jet® dry-ice blasting equipment in Ottawa

OTTAWA, Ontario – July 28, 2008 The newest method of restoring historical monuments, repairing soot and smoke damage, and removing graffiti and mold from a variety of surfaces, known as dry-ice blasting can now be done without delay in Ottawa. ServiceMaster Clean of Ottawa has purchased a Cold Jet AeRO 75, the first dry-ice blasting set-up to be owned by an Ottawa damage restoration vendor.

For projects in Ottawa, these machines have typically had to be rented and brought in from other cities such as Montreal and Toronto. This would mean extended wait times and would often become a logistical nightmare for customers and vendors. Now, the people of Ottawa and the valley have access to a direct source for this service, meaning they can order the service and have it done right away. This is helpful because it is used for applications where the cause is never planned, and when something like a fire takes over a person's home, the sooner order can be restored, the better.

ServiceMaster Clean® of Ottawa is excited to be the first damage restoration specialist to offer this service without bringing in rental machines. "It was an obvious decision for us to purchase Cold Jet dry-ice blasting equipment," says John Cooke, President, ServiceMaster Clean of Ottawa. "When you compare it to previous methods of historical monument restoration, soot and graffiti removal, and mold remediation, then consider the edge it gives us on the competition, it becomes the only clear choice. It also helps us to ensure that we provide our customers with the highest quality work, without long wait times or further inconvenience to their lives."

Denis Auger, general manager of Cold Jet Canada is pleased with ServiceMaster's recent purchase. "We can now offer the people of Ottawa a direct source to our equipment," says Auger. "And, because ServiceMaster of Ottawa is so well established, we can confidently refer them for any project, be it fire restoration, mold remediation, or any of the number of possible dry-ice blasting applications, and we know that the Cold Jet name will not be misrepresented."

This most recent and extremely efficient method of restoring historical monuments, and removing soot, graffiti, and mold from homes and businesses is far superior to previous methods. Prior to the introduction of dry-ice blasting, contractors would spend nearly triple the amount of time on a given project. For example; to remove mold from the attic of an average sized home would have taken six employees five to seven days. Such a project may have also called for the removal of materials such as shingles and plywood, which would all have to be replaced. This can now be done with two employees, in less than two days, without tearing anything out, and with minimal secondary waste. And, on top of saving time, money, and the environment, the finished product is second only to the implementation of brand-new materials.

"We're proud to offer this service to our customers," says Cooke. "It's part of our dedication to be industry leaders in everything we do, and reflects our forward momentum as an environmentally conscious business operator."

About ServiceMaster Clean® of Ottawa

a trusted vendor of disaster restoration, commercial cleaning, janitorial services, and residential cleaning since 1972, ServiceMaster Clean of Ottawa is a member of the ServiceMaster Family of Brands. With over 4,500 franchises world-wide, ServiceMaster tends to millions of homes and business, and is the helping hand that will restore order in your life, at work and at home.

About Cold Jet®

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