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Rapide CARPET WASHER *Fresh*

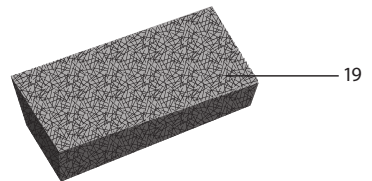
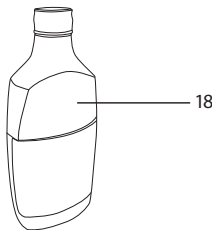
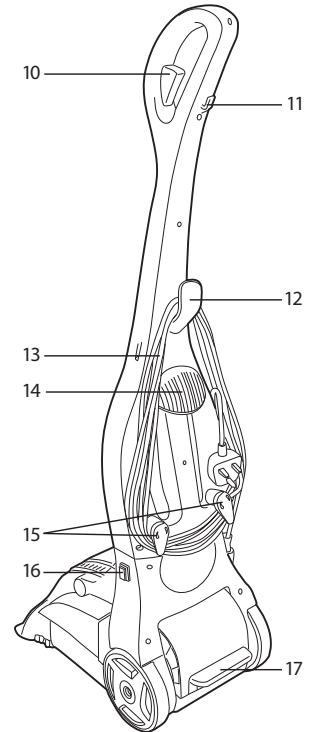
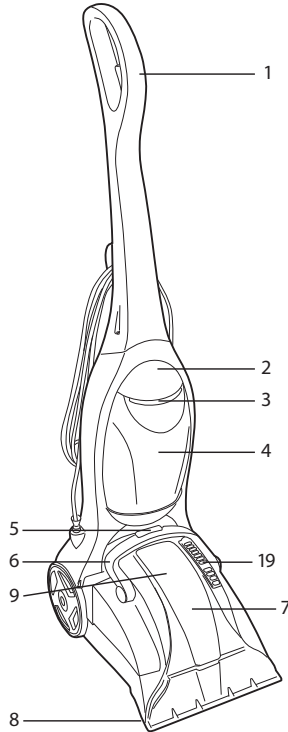
User Guide



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Machine Overview

- 1 Handle
- 2 Clean water tank carry handle
- 3 Clean water tank release lever
- 4 Clean water tank
- 5 Dirty water tank release lever
- 6 Dirty water tank carry handle
- 7 Dirty water tank
- 8 Brushbar (hidden)
- 9 Pre-motor filter (hidden)
- 10 Water/solution mix trigger
- 11 Cord storage hook
- 12 Upper cord storage
- 13 Power cord
- 14 Carry handle
- 15 Lower cord wrap clips
- 16 On/off button
- 17 Recline pedal
- 18 Vax carpet cleaning solution
- 19 Float chamber filter (hidden)



General Safety Information

FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY.

When using the carpet washer, basic safety precautions should always be observed, including the following:

1. Do not leave the carpet washer unattended when plugged in. Unplug it from socket when not in use.
2. To prevent electric shock do not use outdoors.
3. Not to be used as a toy. Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
4. This appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning the use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
5. Use only as described in this manual.
6. Do not use the carpet washer if it has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors or dropped into water. Do not use the carpet washer with a damaged cord or plug. If the supply cord is damaged, it must be replaced by the manufacturer or a recommended Service Agent to avoid hazard and invalidating the guarantee.
7. Do not pull or carry by cord. Do not use the cord as a handle, close a door on the cord or pull cord around sharp edges or corners. Do not run the carpet washer over the cord. Keep the cord away from heated surfaces.
8. Do not unplug by pulling on the cord.
9. Do not handle the plug or carpet washer with wet hands.
10. Do not put any objects into openings or operate with openings blocked, keep them free of anything that may reduce airflow.
11. Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers and all parts of the body away from openings and moving parts.
12. Do not use the carpet washer on any glowing, burning or smoking particles.
13. Do not use without the solution tank and dirty water tank in place.
14. Turn off all controls before unplugging.
15. Do not use to pick up flammable or combustible liquids such as petrol, or use in areas where they may be present.
16. Keep the unit on the floor.
17. Do not use an extension cord.

18. Do not attempt to remove blockages with sharp objects as they may cause damage.
19. Store indoors put away after use to prevent tripping accidents.
20. Using improper voltage may result in damage to the motor and possible injury to the user. The correct voltage is listed on the rating label.
21. A hazard may occur if the carpet washer runs over the power supply cord.
22. To prevent dirty water from running into the motor, do not hold the appliance upside-down or lay on its side. Use appliance in normal cleaning position.
23. Take extra care when cleaning on stairs.
24. Do not carry appliance while motor is running.

WARNING: Always switch off and unplug your machine from the electrical outlet before filling and emptying the clean water tank, emptying the dirty water tank, before assembling, opening, before connecting/disconnecting the attachments, or carrying out maintenance or troubleshooting checks.

NOTE: Carpets should be dry vacuumed thoroughly before washing.

IMPORTANT: If the hose or tools are blocked, switch off the carpet washer and remove the blockage(s) before re-starting your machine. See maintenance.

IMPORTANT: Even with regular cleaning, filters have a limited lifespan and will eventually need to be replaced during the lifetime of the cleaner. If the performance of your cleaner is compromised and/or the filters are severely discoloured, the filters may need to be replaced. As a general guide, Vax recommends filters be replaced every 3-6 months depending on the level of use to ensure optimum performance of your cleaner.

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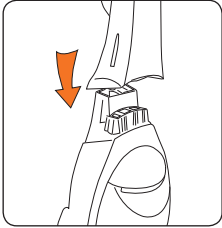
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Getting Started

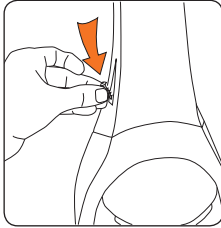
Assembling your carpet washer



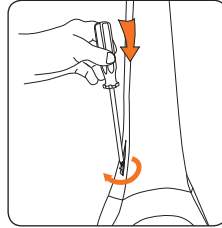
Use a crosshead screwdriver.



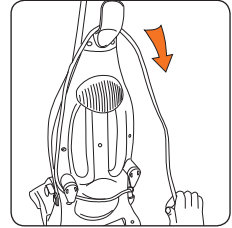
Insert handle.



Insert screw.



Use a screwdriver to tighten screw.
Repeat on opposite side of unit.



Wrap cord to store.

Before you begin cleaning

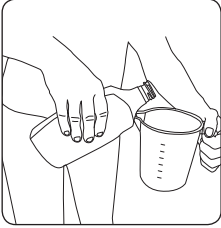
NOTE: Do not over saturate your carpet.

- Vacuum thoroughly.
- Test for colourfastness -Wet a white absorbent cloth with the solution. In a small, hidden area of your carpet, gently rub the surface with the dampened cloth. Wait ten minutes and check for colour removal or bleed with white paper towel or cloth. If your carpet has more than one colour, check all colours.
- When cleaning an entire room, move furniture out of the area to be cleaned. If the furniture is too heavy to move, place aluminium foil or wax paper under legs. This will prevent wood finishes from staining your carpet. Pin up furniture skirts and curtains.

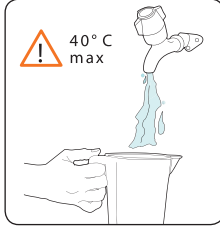
How To Use

Operating your carpet washer

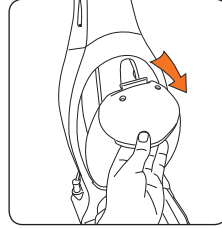
! **IMPORTANT:** Only use Vax carpet cleaning solution. Using other cleaning solution may cause excess foaming and will prevent your machine from working effectively. Using other solutions will invalidate the warranty.



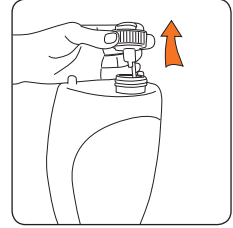
Pour required dose of cleaning solution (approx. 40ml per 1L of water).



Mix solution with warm water (max 40°C).



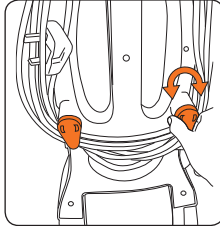
Remove clean water tank.



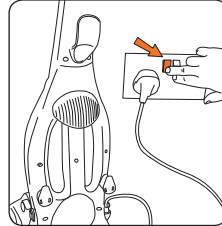
Unscrew tank lid and remove.



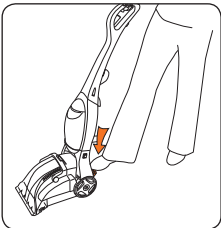
Fill clean water tank with solution mix and re-fit the screw cap lid.



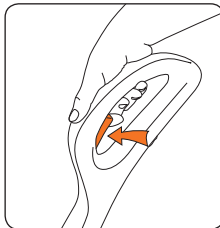
Unwrap power cord and plug unit in.



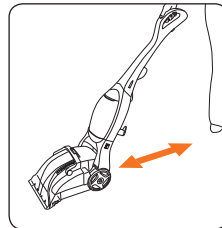
Turn machine 'on'.



Recline the machine.




Press trigger to release solution.



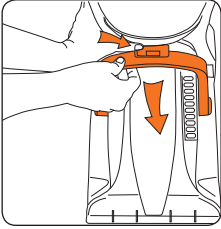
For best results apply solution on the forward stroke and recover solution on the backward stroke.

Looking After Your Machine

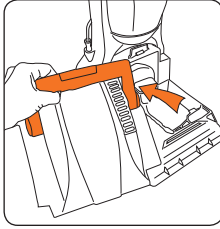
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Emptying the dirty water tank

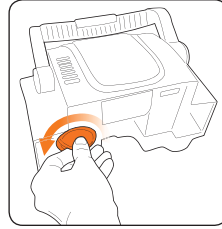
NOTE: Rinse out tank with clean water and leave to air dry before storing your machine.



Unclip dirty water tank.



Lift out the dirty water tank.

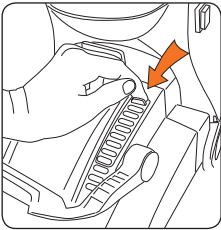


Unscrew tank cap.

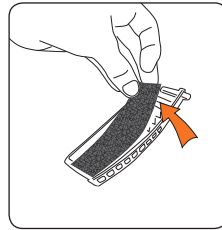
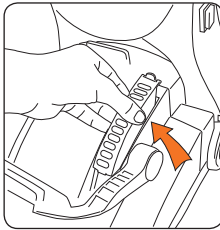


Empty water tank.

Cleaning the float chamber filter



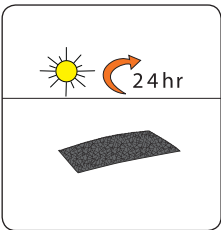
Lift out chamber by gripping tab and pull.



Lift out sponge filter.



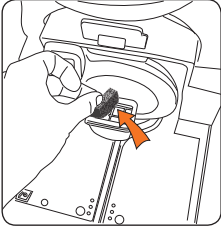
Rinse under water to remove debris (max 40°C).



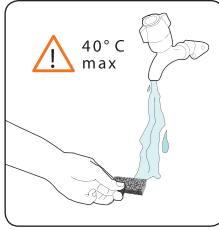
Allow to dry completely before replacing or storing away your machine.

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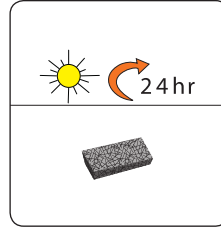
Cleaning the pre-motor filter



The pre-motor filter is located under the dirty water tank.




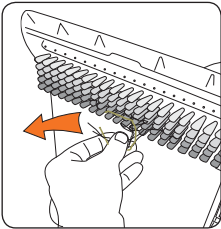
Rinse under water to remove debris (max 40°C).



Allow to dry completely before replacing or storing away your machine.

Removing blockages from the brushbar

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To locate the brushbar turn your machine upside down. Threads caught in the brushbar may be removed.

FAQ

WARNING: to reduce the risk of personal injury, unplug the steamer and ensure unit has fully cooled down before performing maintenance/troubleshooting checks.

Is there an accessory missing?

- Check the 'Parts Overview' page in this guide to make sure the part is definitely included in your unit.

Why won't the carpet washer turn on?

- It may not be plugged into the electrical outlet correctly: ensure that the plug is pushed in securely and switched on.
- The power button on the unit hasn't been fully depressed.
- If unit cuts out during use, disconnect the unit from the wall socket, allow to cool for one hour, clean the filter and empty the dirty water tank and check hose, brushbar for blockages.

Why won't the cleaner pick up solution/spills?

- The dirty water tank may be full and the auto shut off engaged. Empty the dirty water tank.
- Ensure the dirty water tank is fitted correctly and the tank cap is securely fitted.
- Check the brushbar for blockages.

Why won't the solution/clean water dispense?

- Ensure the clean water tank is fitted securely.
- The solution/clean water tank may be empty.
- Ensure dirty water tank is fitted securely.

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Technical Specification

Voltage:	220-240V ~ 50Hz
Wattage:	500W
Capacity	Clean water tank: 2.1L Dirty water tank: 1.7L
Cord length:	6m
Weight:	5.6kg
Filter	Float chamber filter - foam Pre-motor filter - foam

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