



VAX SpotWash Mini

Spot Cleaner



Safety information

This machine is intended for household use only, not for commercial or industrial use.
Please keep instructions for future use and only as instructed in this guide.

Basic Safety Precautions

- This machine is intended for indoor cleaning and vehicle interiors during dry weather conditions. Always keep the area you're cleaning well lit.
- Keep fingers, hair and loose clothing away from moving parts and openings whilst using the machine.
- Before using the machine test your carpets/rugs/upholstery for colourfastness and pile distortion.
- This appliance can be used by children aged from 8 years and above and persons with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities or lack of experience and knowledge if they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance in a safe way and understand the hazards involved. Children shall not play with the appliance. Cleaning and user maintenance shall not be made by children without supervision.
- Only VAX recommended tools and solution should be used with this machine. Using other solutions may invalidate the guarantee.

Don'ts

- Don't leave the machine plugged in when unattended.
- Don't use the machine if it has been dropped, damaged or left outdoors.
- Don't use the machine if the power cord or plug is damaged. If the power cord is damaged, it must be replaced by a qualified person in order to avoid a hazard.
- Don't use the machine to pick up any flammable or combustible materials (lighter fluid, petrol, kerosene etc.) or use the machine in an area with explosive vapours or liquid.
- Don't use the machine outside during wet weather conditions.
- Don't handle the plug or use the machine with wet hands.
- Don't pull or carry the machine by the power cord.
- Don't use the machine to pick up hot coals, cigarette butts, matches or smoking hot burning items or use in an area where there may be harmful fluids (chlorine, bleach and ammonia drain cleaner).
- Don't use the power cord as a handle, pull the power cord around corners, sharp edges, or close a door over the power cord.
- Don't unplug the machine by pulling on the power cord.
- Don't carry the machine while it's switched on.
- Don't attempt to remove blockages with sharp objects as this may cause damage to the machine. Remove blockages only as instructed in the user guide.
- Don't use the machine with incorrect voltage as this may result in damage or injury to the user. The correct voltage is listed on the ratings label.

- Don't over saturate your flooring/surface. Always finish on a dry stroke.
- Don't use on a surface that is damaged, uneven or incorrectly fitted.

Do's

- Check with the manufacturer of your flooring/surface prior to using the machine.
- The clean water tank should be filled with warm water (max 40°C) only. Filling the clean water tank with hot or boiling water will damage the machine and invalidate the guarantee.
- Always vacuum your flooring/surface thoroughly before using the machine.
- Only replace the fuse in the plug with a British standard 13amp fuse.
- Always unplug the machine before carrying out any maintenance and before connecting or disconnecting the accessories.
- Take extra care when cleaning on the stairs.
- Always protect the power cable from heated surfaces and open flames.
- Turn off all controls on the machine before disconnecting or connecting the power cord. After use always wrap the power cord around the cord clips provided.
- Use only CE/UKCA approved 13amp extension cords, non-approved extension cords may overheat. Care should be taken to arrange the extension cord as it can be a trip hazard.
- Always use the machine with all water tanks and filters in place.
- Keep all openings clear and free from debris as this may affect the airflow/suction/water pick up.
- Always use the machine in an upright position. To prevent motor damage from dirty water, never hold the machine upside down or on its side.
- Store the machine in a cool, dry area. Always empty and rinse out the dirty water tank after every use and allow to air dry before storing the machine.

Welcome to the Vax family!

You're now the proud owner of a VAX SpotWash Mini.

Here you'll find everything you need to know about your machine and, most importantly, instructions on how to get started so that you can get cleaning!

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Please see the back cover of this User Guide for more detail.

Machine overview



- 1 Carry handle
- 2 On/Off button
- 3 Clean water/solution tank cap (hidden)
- 4 Clean water/solution tank
- 5 Hose holder
- 6 Hose
- 7 Dirty water tank lid
- 8 Dirty water tank
- 9 Float
- 10 All-Purpose tool
- 11 Tool release button
- 12 Hose rinse port
- 13 Cord
- 14 Cord storage hook
- 15 Pet Mess tool*
- 16 250ml SpotWash Spot Cleaning Solution



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Weight 2.9kg. Cord length 3.6m. Hose length 1.2m.
Dirty water tank capacity 0.4L.
Clean water/solution tank capacity 0.7L.

*Included with model CDSW-MCXT only.
Subject to technical change without notice. Images are illustrative only.

Quick start

See pages 7-9 for full instructions.

1 Assembly

Slot the hose holder and cord storage hook onto the machine until they click into place.



Slide the wash tool onto the hose until it clicks into place.

2 Filling the tank

Fill the clean water/solution tank with warm water (max 40°C) and solution to the levels indicated by the lines on the tank.



3 Operation

Plug the machine into the mains. Press the On/Off button to switch the machine on.



4 Wash

Press the trigger on the hose to release water and solution.

Use the brush to agitate any stubborn stains. Release the trigger and tilt the nozzle to recover the water and solution.



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with using your machine

PLEASE READ THE SAFETY PRECAUTIONS ON PAGES 2 & 3 BEFORE USE.

IMPORTANT: Carpets should be dry vacuumed thoroughly before washing.

- Test for colourfastness - Wet a white absorbent cloth with the solution. In a small hidden area of your carpet/rugs/upholstery, gently rub with the dampened cloth. Wait ten minutes and check for colour removal or bleed with a white paper towel or cloth. Check all carpets/rugs/upholstery material before first use and if your carpet has more than one colour, check all colours.
- Test all flooring/carpets/rugs before first usage. Run the machine over a small hidden area. If no damage or pile distortion occurs continue cleaning.
- When using the machine, basic safety precautions should always be observed. Do not over saturate your carpets/surface and continue using dry strokes until little water is visibly passing through the nozzle.
- Move furniture out of the area to be cleaned. If the furniture cannot be moved, place aluminium foil or wax paper under the legs. This will prevent wood finishes from staining your carpet. Pin up furniture skirts and curtains.
- Only use VAX SpotWash Spot Cleaning solution. Using other solutions may cause excess foaming and will invalidate the guarantee.
- For heavily soiled areas, it may be necessary to repeat the cleaning process. Make criss-crossing strokes across the original pattern and overlap with each pass.
- The clean water tank should only be filled with warm water (max 40°C). Filling the clean water tank with hot/boiling water will damage your machine and invalidate the guarantee.
- Do not leave water/solution stored in the dirty water tank between uses.
- Always empty and rinse out the dirty water tank and leave to air dry before refitting for storage.

Assembly



Slot the hose holder into the front of the machine until it clicks into place.



Slot the cord storage hook into the back of the machine until it clicks into place.



Slide the wash tool onto the hose end until it clicks into place.



Wind the hose around the base of the machine.



Push the hose end into the hose holder to store.



Wind the cord around the cord storage hook.



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Using your machine

Filling the clean water/solution tank

IMPORTANT: Only use VAX SpotWash Spot Cleaning solution. Using other solutions may cause excess foaming and will invalidate the guarantee.



Pull and lift the clean water/solution tank to remove.



Pull the tab at the top of the fill cap to open. Do not remove the cap from the tank.



Fill the clean water/solution tank with warm water (max 40°C) and solution to the levels indicated by the lines on the tank.



Push the fill cap back into place until it's fully closed.



Refit the clean water/solution tank to the machine and push it into place.

Operation

IMPORTANT: The motor is equipped with a thermal cut-out. If for any reason the machine should overheat, the thermostat will automatically turn the machine off. Switch off and unplug the machine. Check the machine for blockages and remove before restarting your machine.



Remove the hose from the hose holder and unwind from the machine.



Unwind the cord from the cord storage hook.



Plug the machine in and switch on at the mains.



Press the on/off button to switch the machine on.

Using the wash tools



All-Purpose Tool

Multi-purpose tool for cleaning carpets, rugs, sofas and upholstery.



Pet Mess Tool* (Blue attachment).

A spare tool to keep messy clean ups separate from everyday cleaning.

*Included with model CDSW-MCXT only.



For spills, always pick up the excess liquid before using water/solution. Tilt the tool forward on to the spill and pull back.



Press the trigger on the hose end to release water and solution.



Use the brush to agitate any stubborn stains.



Release the trigger and tilt the nozzle forwards so the nozzle is in contact with the surface. Pull back to recover the water and solution.

IMPORTANT: Over or under tilting the hand tool may result in poor water pick up.



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Cleaning and maintenance

WARNING: Always switch off and unplug the machine before performing any checks or maintenance.

Emptying and cleaning the dirty water tank

IMPORTANT: Empty and rinse out the clean water/solution tank and dirty water tank and leave to air dry before refitting.

The dirty water tank is fitted with a float. When the dirty water tank is full, the float will shut off the suction on the machine. You will be able to hear if this has happened as the motor noise on the machine will increase. Once the float is activated, empty the dirty water tank if full. If the dirty water tank is not full then turn off your machine at the power switch and wait for the float to settle.



Pull and lift the dirty water tank to remove.



Push up the tab on the front of the dirty water tank and lift the lid back in a hinge-like manner.



Empty the dirty water tank down a suitable drain.



Rinse the dirty water tank under warm water (max 40°C) to remove any dirt and debris.



Close the dirty water tank lid and push until it clicks.



Refit the dirty water tank to the machine and push into place.

IMPORTANT: The motor is equipped with a thermal cut-out. If for any reason the machine should overheat, the thermostat will automatically turn the machine off. Switch off and unplug the machine. Check the machine for blockages and remove before restarting your machine.

Hose rinse function

IMPORTANT: Use the hose rinse function after each use to remove any water or debris left in the hose.



Pull and lift the clean water/solution tank to remove.



Fill the clean water/solution tank with approximately 1 inch of warm water (max 40°C). **DO NOT ADD SOLUTION.**



Refit the clean water/solution tank to the machine and push it into place.



Press the wash tool release button and pull to remove the tool from the hose end.



Press the on/off button to switch the machine on.



Line up the hose end with the hose rinse port. Hold the hose in place and press the trigger until the clean water tank has emptied.



Switch the machine off. Pull and lift the dirty water tank to remove.



Push the tab up on the front of the dirty water tank and lift the lid back in a hinge-like manner.



Empty the dirty water tank down a suitable drain.



Rinse the dirty water tank under warm water (max 40°C) to remove any dirt and debris.



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Removing and cleaning the wash tool



Press the wash tool release button and pull to remove the tool from the hose end.



Rinse the wash tool under warm water (max 40°C) to remove any dirt and debris.

Cleaning the filter grill



Pull and lift the dirty water tank to remove.



Remove any dirt and debris from the filter grill located underneath the dirty water tank.

Storing the machine

IMPORTANT: Before storing, always empty and rinse out the dirty water tank and allow to air dry before refitting.



Wind the hose around the base of the machine.



Push the hose end into the hose holder to store.



Wind the cord around the cord storage hook.

WARNING: Always switch off and unplug the machine before performing any checks or maintenance.

There is an accessory missing

- Check the contents on the box to make sure the part is definitely included with your machine.

Why does the machine have no power?

- The plug may not be fully pushed into the electrical socket.
- The fuse in the plug may need replacing. Only replace with a British 13amp fuse.
- The motor is equipped with a thermal cut-out. If for any reason the machine should overheat, the thermostat will automatically turn the machine off. Switch off and unplug the machine. Check the machine for blockages before restarting your machine.

Why won't the water/solution dispense?

- Squeeze the trigger on the hose to release solution and water mix. **See Operation page 8-9.**
- Make sure the clean water/solution tank is fitted securely. **See Operation page 8-9.**
- The clean water/solution tank is empty. Refill the tank. **See Operation page 8-9.**
- The clean water/solution tank valve may be stuck, hold the tank over the sink and press the valve underneath to release.
- Air is trapped in the pump and hose. Switch on the machine, prime the pump by lowering the hose down to the floor over a container and hold the trigger for up to 1 minute.

Why won't the machine pick up?

- The float in the dirty water tank may have been activated. Empty the dirty water tank and wait for the float to settle before restarting your machine.
- The nozzle may not be in contact with the surface, tilt the nozzle forwards. **See Operation page 8-9.**
- Check the hose for blockages and clear. **See Hose rinse function page 11.**
- Check the wash tools for blockages and clear. **See Removing and cleaning the wash tool and attachment page 12.**
- The dirty water tank may not be assembled correctly or the lid may not be fitted securely. **See Emptying and cleaning the dirty water tank page 10.**
- Check the wash tool is correctly fitted. **See Assembly page 7.**
- Check the filter grill located under the dirty water tank for dirt and debris. **See Cleaning the filter grill page 12.**

Guarantee and technical

Guarantee

If a VAX machine is used in the way it is intended and it breaks down within the guarantee period, it's our responsibility to repair or replace it.

Here's what isn't covered:

- Functional parts, tools and accessories after 12 months that may suffer premature failure due to every day wear and tear.
- Consumables after 3 months such as filters, brushbars, fuses etc.
- Accidental damage.
- Cosmetic damage that does not affect the functioning of the product.
- Damage as a result of use not in accordance with the user guide.
- Damage caused by not carrying out regular maintenance.
- Damage to the power cord.
- Blockages; please refer to the user guide.
- Poor product performance caused by:
 - Negligent use, misuse or careless operation of the machine.
 - Failure to clean or maintain the product in accordance with the user guide.
 - Use of the machine which is not in accordance with the user guide.
 - Use of a VAX product for anything other than normal domestic household purposes in the country in which it was purchased.
 - Use of parts, accessories and consumables, which are not genuine VAX components.
 - Faulty installation or repairs - unless carried out by a qualified electrician or engineer.

Making a claim?

If you wish to make a claim under your standard 1 year guarantee or extended guarantee, please contact us on the details set out in our Vax Terms and Conditions.

Technical

Statement of Compliance: Manufacturer/EU importer: Vax Limited, hereby on our own responsibility, declare that the **VAX SpotWash Mini** is manufactured in compliance with the following Legislation:

Safety: 2014/35/EU Low Voltage Directives/Electrical Equipment (Safety) Regulations 2016. EMC: 2014/30/EU Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive/Electromagnetic Compatibility Regulations 2016. Ratings: 220-240V~, 50/60Hz, 400W, Class II, IPX4.



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All VAX products have a 1 year standard guarantee.

Register now to claim your additional 1 year guarantee (2 years in total).

Registering is quick and easy, just follow the steps below:

1 **What you'll need**

Grab your machine and proof of purchase and keep them handy.

2 **Register**

To get started scan the QR code, or visit vax.co.uk/registration



3 **Congratulations!**

You've now secured your total 2 year guarantee! (Keep an eye out for your confirmation email - you'll need to keep this safe).



Your guarantee is with Vax Limited. Please note that your statutory rights in relation to any VAX products will remain unaffected by these guarantees.

*All VAX products bought in the UK come with a standard 1 year guarantee from the date of purchase. Most VAX products are eligible for an "Additional Guarantee" by registering with Vax. Registration within 3 months from date of purchase is required to claim the additional guarantee and is subject to our terms and conditions (www.vax.co.uk/registration/guarantee-information).

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