



Air³ Compact

User Guide



**3 year
warranty**

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General Safety Information

This vacuum cleaner is intended for household use only and NOT for commercial or industrial use.

When using the vacuum cleaner basic safety precautions should always be observed, including the following:

1. Only use the vacuum cleaner indoors on dry surfaces.
2. Turn off the on/off switch on the vacuum cleaner controls before disconnecting or connecting from the mains supply.
3. Always unplug the vacuum cleaner before connecting or disconnecting the vacuum hose and accessories.
4. Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
5. This appliance is not intended for use by children and persons with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance in a safe way and understands the hazards involved.
6. Cleaning and maintenance shall not be made by children.
7. The appliance should only be used as described in this user guide.
8. Only Vax recommended attachments should be used with this appliance.
9. Do not use this vacuum cleaner if it has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors or dropped into water. Do not use this vacuum cleaner with a damaged cord or plug.
10. Do not pull or carry this appliance by the cord. Do not use the cord as a handle, close a door on the cord or pull the cord around sharp edges or corners. Do not run the vacuum cleaner over the cord. Keep the cord away from heated surfaces.
11. Do not handle the plug or the vacuum cleaner with wet hands.
12. Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers and all parts of the body away from openings and moving parts.
13. Do not pick up any hot coals, ash, cigarette butts, matches or any hot, smoking or burning objects.
14. Do not pick up any flammable or combustible materials (lighter fluid, petrol, kerosene etc.) or use in the presence of explosive liquids or vapours.
15. Do not vacuum harmful or toxic material (chlorine, bleach, ammonia, drain cleaner etc.).
16. Do not vacuum hard or sharp objects such as glass, nails, screws, coins etc.
17. Do not vacuum plaster dust, concrete dust or any other building or vitreous materials.
18. Do not vacuum baking soda or any other powder-based carpet refresher or deodoriser.
19. Store the vacuum cleaner in a cool, dry area.
20. Use only SAA approved 10amp extension cords. Non-approved cords may overheat. Care should be taken to arrange the cord so that the cord cannot be tripped over.
21. Do not put any objects into openings. Do not use with any openings blocked and do not restrict airflow. Keep all openings free of dust, lint, hair or anything that might reduce airflow.
22. Do not use the vacuum cleaner with blocked filters and without all of the filters in place.
23. Take extra care when positioning the vacuum cleaner on the stairs.
24. Keep vacuuming area well lit.

General Safety Information



WARNING: Always switch off and unplug the vacuum cleaner from the electrical socket before assembling, opening or emptying the dirt container, or before connecting/disconnecting the attachments.



CAUTION: The vacuum cleaner is a very powerful unit. Before plugging the cord into the electrical socket, make sure the switch is in the 'off' position.



IMPORTANT: If the inlet, hose or telescopic tube is blocked, switch off the vacuum cleaner and remove the blockage(s) before re-starting the vacuum cleaner.



IMPORTANT: Vax recommends the use of Residual Current Device Rating of 30mA or less.



IMPORTANT: It is very important that filters are kept clean to obtain maximum performance from your vacuum cleaner. Not cleaning and not replacing your filters regularly can reduce the suction power and cause overheating and permanent damage to the vacuum cleaner.



NOTE: If the supply cord is damaged it must be replaced by the manufacturer, or a similarly qualified person in order to avoid hazard, or invalidating the warranty.



IMPORTANT: The motor is equipped with a thermal cut-out. If for any reason the unit should overheat (eg. from blocked nozzles, a full dust container or unclean filters), the thermostat will automatically turn off the switch. Should this occur, unplug the vacuum cleaner from the electrical socket and turn off the switch. Remove dirt container and empty. Clean filters. Allow the unit to cool for approximately one (1) hour. To re-start, plug into an electrical socket and switch back on.

DAMAGE TO THE VACUUM CLEANER CAUSED AS A DIRECT RESULT OF NOT ADHERING TO THE GENERAL SAFETY INFORMATION AND THE INSTRUCTIONS IN THIS USER GUIDE INVALIDATES THE WARRANTY.

PLEASE KEEP INSTRUCTIONS FOR FURTHER USE.

Taking care of your carpets

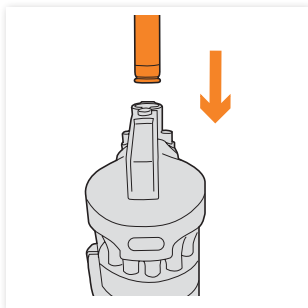
The Air3 Compact is designed to make vacuuming carpets regularly, as effective and efficient as possible and this user guide will help you get the most out of your vacuum cleaner. Maintaining your carpets will ensure they keep their appearance for longer and smell fresh and clean. You've chosen carpets for your home for a reason and Vax will help you take good care of them.

Taking care of your Air3 Compact

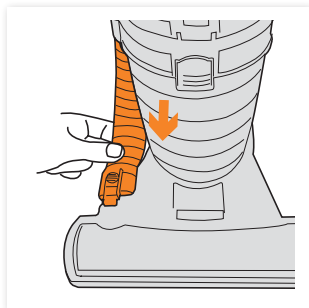
Also inside this guide are instructions on maintaining your new vacuum cleaner, so that it's always ready when you are to tackle your carpets.

Getting Started

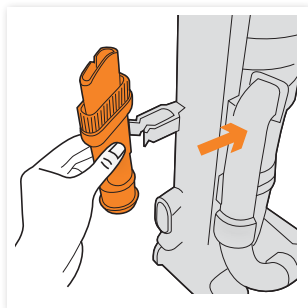
Assembling your upright



Remove all packaging. Insert the handle.



Attach the hose end to the floorhead ensuring it clicks into place.
(All accessories can be used by either attaching them to the handle or the hose).



Place your tools onto the product.

Before you begin cleaning

WARNING: Always switch off and unplug the vacuum cleaner before connecting or disconnecting the hose/attachments, or removing and emptying the dirt container.

WARNING: Always switch off the brushbar before using any accessories/hose/telescopic extension tube

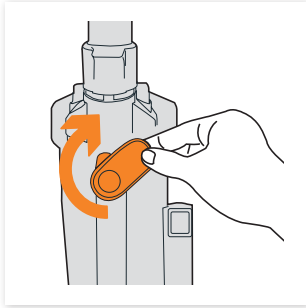
IMPORTANT: The vacuum cleaner is equipped with a thermal cut-out. If for any reason the vacuum cleaner does overheat the thermostat will automatically turn the vacuum cleaner off. If this happens, switch the vacuum cleaner off and unplug from electrical socket. Remove and empty the dirt container also check the vacuum cleaner for blockages. Allow the vacuum cleaner to cool for approximately 1 hour (if you have cleaned the filters please wait 24 hours for the filters to fully dry before putting back into the vacuum machine).

IMPORTANT: For best cleaning results filters require cleaning AT LEAST every 3 months, depending on level of use. Filters should ideally be checked for cleanliness after each use

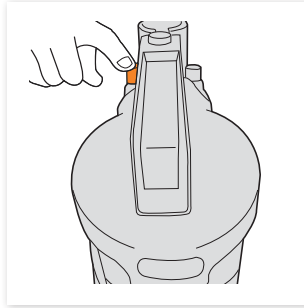
IMPORTANT: If the vacuum cleaner is blocked, switch off and unplug before removing the blockage.

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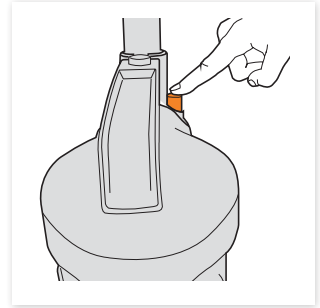
Using your machine



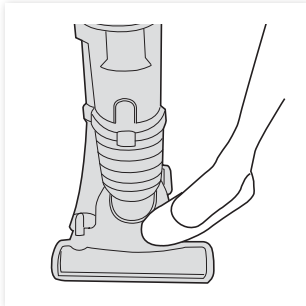
Twist the cord holder to release the cord.



Plug in your machine and turn it on.



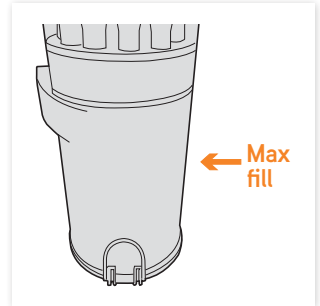
To activate brushes, press the brushbar on/off button at the top of the machine.
Brushbar on — carpets.
Brushbar off — hard floors.



Place your foot on the base of the vacuum and pull backwards to recline the unit.



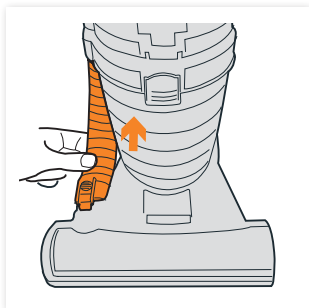
Twist the handle to manoeuvre under and around furniture.



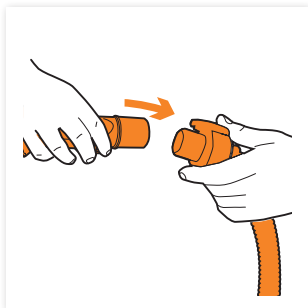
To avoid clogging your filters, DO NOT overfill the dirt container. Empty the dirt container once the MAX mark has been reached.

How To Use

Hose



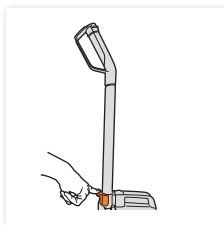
Remove hose.



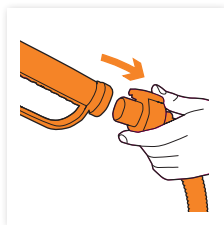
Attach required tool to the hose.

Extension tube

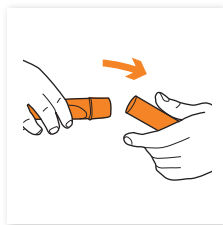
NOTE: The 3-in-1 tool can be attached to the tube or directly to the hose. Switch off the brushbar before using any accessories/hose/telescopic extension tube.



Remove extension tube.



Attach hose to extension tube.



Attach accessory to extension tube.



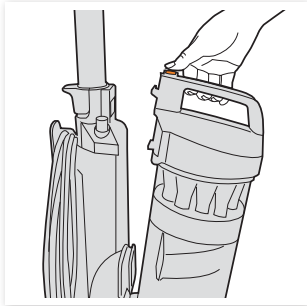
IMPORTANT: Hold vacuum cleaner when using hose or extension tube for above floor cleaning.

Looking After Your Machine

Emptying and cleaning the dirt container



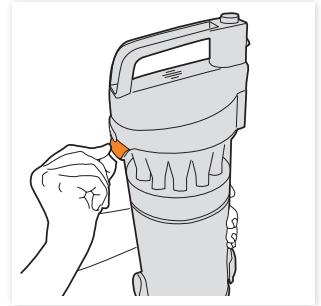
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Press dirt container release button to remove the dirt container.



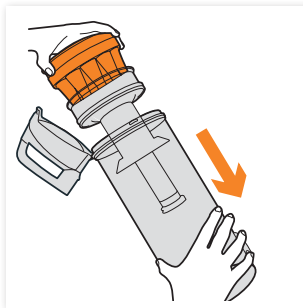
Hold dirt container over a bin and press dirt release button to open, allowing dirt to fall out.



Unclip the dirt container lid to open.



Lift lid to access inner cyclones.



Lift out the inner cyclones.

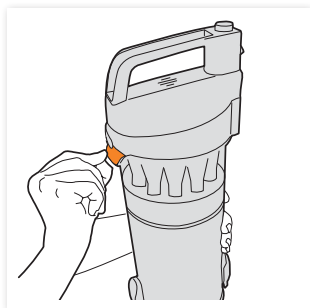


Hold cyclones/separator over bin and tap to remove dirt and debris.

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Do not use your vacuum cleaner with blocked filters and without all of the filters in place.

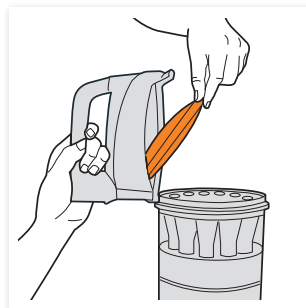
Cleaning the pre-motor filter



Unclip the dirt container lid to open.



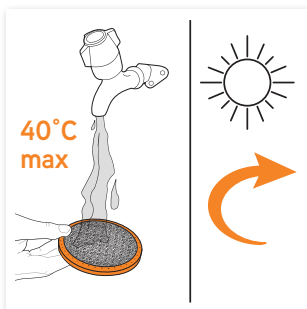
Lift lid to access filter.



Remove filter.



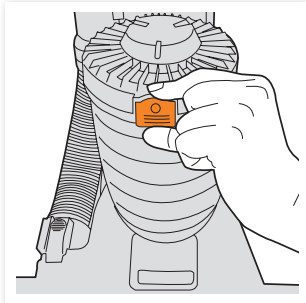
Tap filter clean and physically remove any remaining dirt/debris.



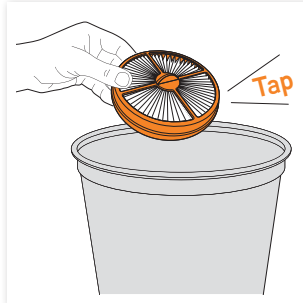
Wash in water 40°C max and leave for at least 24 hours or until dry before replacing into the machine. Ensure filter is completely dry before replacing into the machine.

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Cleaning the HEPA media post-motor filter



Remove the post-motor filter by unclipping it from the body of the vacuum .

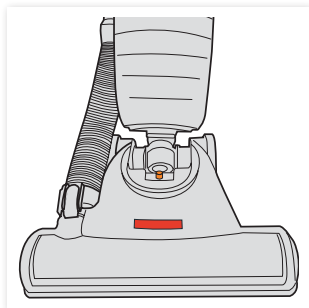


Tap filter clean and physically remove any remaining dirt/debris.
DO NOT WASH.

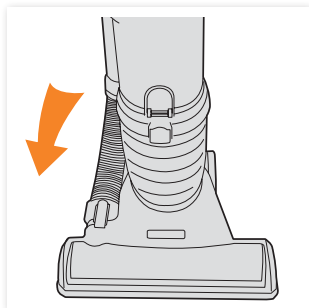
IMPORTANT: The motor is equipped with a thermal cut-out. If for any reason the unit should overheat, the thermostat will automatically turn the unit off. For further help go to "Why does my vacuum have no power?" on page 13.

Looking After Your Machine

Re-setting the brushbar



A **RED** light will indicate a jammed brushbar.



Push the machine into the upright position to automatically reset the brushbar.

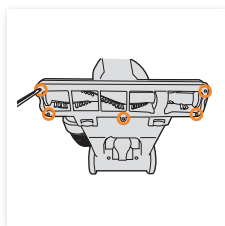


A **GREEN** light indicates no blockages in the brushbar.

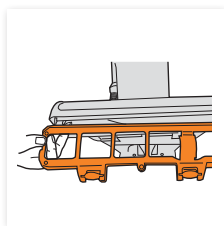
IMPORTANT: If the brushbar, air inlet, hose or telescopic tube is blocked, switch off the vacuum cleaner and remove the blockage(s) before re-starting the vacuum cleaner.

Removing debris from the brushbar

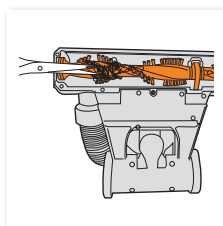
If the light continues to flash red after resetting, the brushbar may still be blocked. Using a pair of scissors, cut through any threads or hairs caught around the brushbar. To access brushbar:



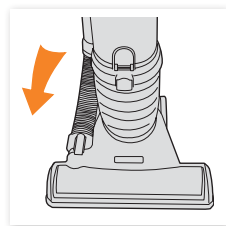
Switch off machine then unplug. Place the vacuum cleaner on the floor and remove the 5 screws on the back of the brushbar cover.



Remove the brushbar cover.



Using a pair of scissors cut any hair or debris free from around the brushbar. Screw the brushbar cover back on.

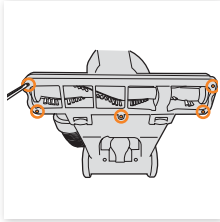


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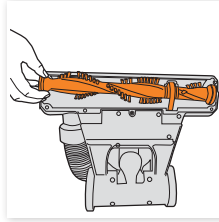
IMPORTANT: Always switch off your vacuum cleaner at the mains before carrying out any maintenance.

Looking After Your Machine

Changing the belt

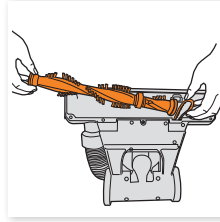


Switch off your vacuum cleaner at the main socket and unplug. Place the vacuum cleaner on the floor and remove the 5 screws on the back of the brushbar cover.

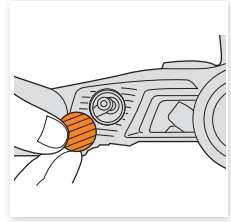


Remove the brushbar cover and lift the brushbar from the machine to access the belt.

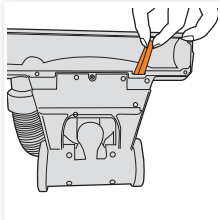
Note: To remove debris from the brushbar go to page 11.



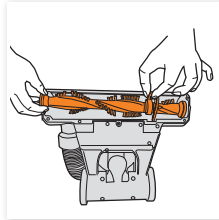
Lift the belt and slide the belt off the brushbar.



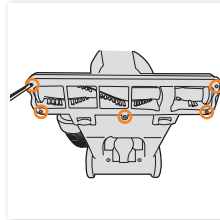
Unscrew round access panel and remove.



Remove the belt from the metal spindle through access panel located inside the machine and replace with the new belt.



Once the belt has been replaced, insert the brushbar back onto the vacuum.



Attach the brushbar cover by screwing back into place.



NOTE: When changing the belt, this is the perfect time to clear any debris from your brushbar.

FAQs

Warning: To reduce the risk of personal injury, unplug the vacuum cleaner before performing maintenance/troubleshooting checks.

Why does my vacuum cleaner have no power?

- The plug may not be fully pushed into the electrical socket.
- The motor thermostat may have tripped. If this has happened, unplug the vacuum cleaner. Remove and empty the dirt container and check the hose for blockages. Clean the filters and allow the vacuum cleaner to cool for approximately 1 hour (if you have washed the filters you will need to wait 24 hours for the filters to fully dry before putting them back into the vacuum cleaner).

Why won't the vacuum cleaner turn on?

- There may be a blockage in the hose. Please remove the hose from the vacuum cleaner, check and clear any blockages.
- Empty the dirt container and clean filters. Go to 'Looking after your machine' on page 8.
- The brushbar may not be turning. Go to 'My brushbar isn't turning?' below.
- If the accessory/tool will not pick up, check and clear any blockages.

My brushbar isn't turning?

- The brushbar may not be switched on, please check the brushbar on/off switch.
- If the vacuum cleaner is not reclined the brushbar will automatically switch off.
- If the red light is flashing the brushbar may be jammed. Clear any blockages for further help go to page 11.
- To check the belt, go to 'Changing the belt' on page 12.

My vacuum cleaner is making an excessive noise?

- If the vacuum cleaner is making a whistling noise, please remove the dirt container, open the bottom and clean the seals. Replace the dirt container and retry.
- If there is an air sucking noise from the top of the dirt container, this would indicate a blockage in the machine. Go to 'Why won't the vacuum cleaner pick up?' above.

we're here to help

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If you have queries or concerns about using your Vax, call the Vax Careline. Calls are charged at the standard local rate. Please make a note of the serial number and model number of the vacuum cleaner before calling.

For the nearest Service Agent, please call the Vax Customer Careline or visit **vax.com.au** in Australia or **vax.co.nz** in New Zealand.

Technical Specification

Voltage: 220-240V ~50Hz
Wattage: 1000W
Dirt bin capacity: 1.25L
Cord length: 6m
Weight: 4.0kg
Hose: 1.5m

Subject to technical change without notice.



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