6 Gallon Hot Water Carpet Cleaner Instructions

Rental Instructions

Your machine has been serviced and tested and is ready to use. Please follow the steps below for the best results.

Before You Start

- Vacuum the carpet and move furniture out of the area first.
- Use **clean tap water only**. Do not use water hotter than tap water, as it can damage the pump.
- **Never run the machine with an empty solution tank.** This can damage the pump.

Setting Up the Machine

1. Fill the front solution tank (the tank with the rectangular lid) with clean, warm tap water.
2. Make sure the round lid on the recovery tank is securely fastened and the dump valve on the rear of the machine is closed. This keeps proper suction in the tank.
3. Attach the **blue solution hose** to the wand or hand tool. Slide back the round collar on the hose connector and snap it onto the connector on the wand.
4. Attach the other end of the blue solution hose to the connector on the front of the machine the same way. You should hear an audible click when it is connected properly.
5. Attach one end of the **vacuum hose** to the wand or hand tool.
6. Attach the other end of the vacuum hose to the hose barb on the front of the machine. You may need to twist the hose back and forth while pushing to get a snug fit.
7. Plug in the machine. It has **two power cords**. Plug each cord into an outlet on a **separate circuit**. The machine will not work properly if both cords are on the same circuit.
8. **Prime the pump with the red hose.** Connect the red hose to the machine. The open end of the red hose goes into the solution tank. Turn on the **pump** switch and let the water circulate back into the tank until it flows steadily with no air bubbles or sputtering. This clears air out of the pump. Turn the pump off and disconnect the red hose. Set the red hose aside; it is only used for priming.

Pre-Treat the Carpet

1. Apply carpet cleaning solution directly to the carpet with a spray bottle or pump sprayer. Mix the solution according to the directions on its label.
2. Agitate the carpet with a stiff-bristle brush (or a rotary floor machine with a carpet shampoo brush, if you have one).
3. Let the solution sit for about 10 minutes so the chemicals can do the work.

Cleaning (Extracting)

1. **Optional:** To reduce foaming and protect the vacuum motors, pour 1 to 2 oz. of white vinegar into the vacuum (suction) hose at the wand. This works in place of a special defoamer solution.
2. Turn on the **pump** switch and the **vacuum** switch(es).
3. Work in a small area at a time. Squeeze the trigger on the wand to spray clean water onto the carpet while moving the wand, then vacuum up as much liquid as you can.

4. Repeat spraying with clean water, then vacuuming, until no cleaning solution residue is left in the carpet.
5. Keep an eye on the solution tank and refill it before it runs out of water.
6. Run a fan or air mover to help the carpet dry.

If Nothing Comes Out of the Wand

Turn the pump switch off. Check that the solution tank has water. If it does, air may be trapped in the pump, so repeat the priming step with the red hose. Then disconnect and reconnect the blue solution hose at both ends until each one clicks securely into place. Turn the pump back on and test again. If it still does not work, please call us.

When You Are Finished

1. Turn off the switches and unplug the machine.
2. Empty any remaining water from the solution tank by putting the vacuum hose into the tank and running the vacuum. (Alternatively, pour it out.)
3. Remove the lid of the recovery tank and set it aside. At a toilet or floor drain, empty the recovery tank by lifting the drain valve on the back of the machine. Rinse the tank out with a hose or clean water to remove debris.
4. Disconnect the hoses and wand and return everything with the machine.
5. Leave the lids off both tanks when you return the machine so it can air out and avoid odors.

Questions or problems while you have the machine?
Please call us at 503-397-0585.