
Use & Care

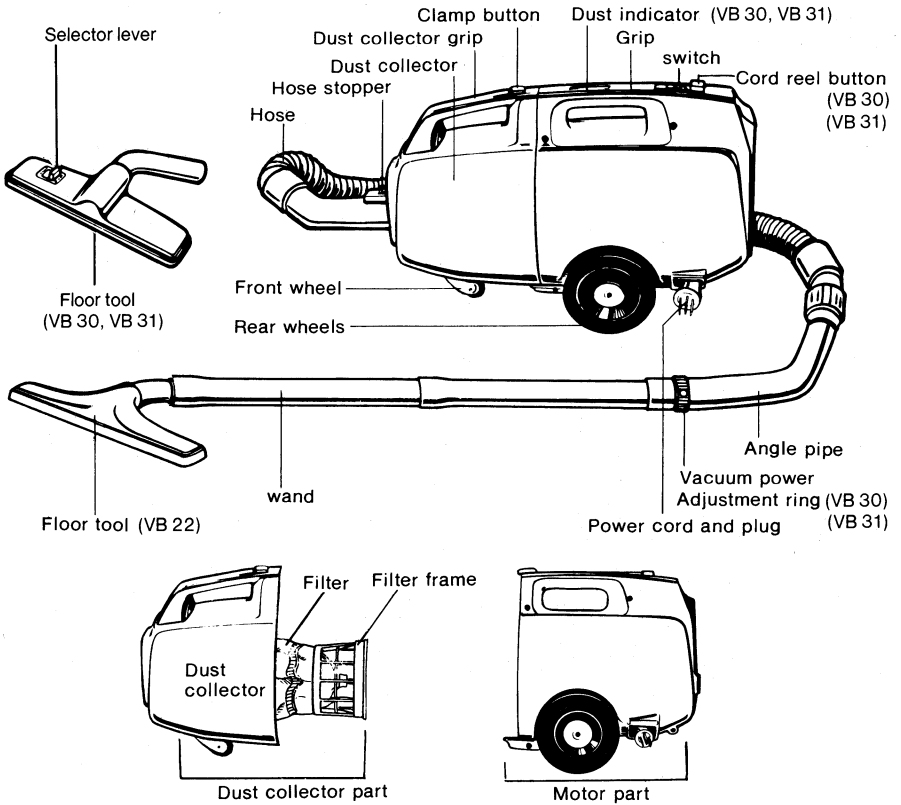


Barrel Vacuum Cleaners

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Thank you for your purchase of the GE Vacuum Cleaner. Please read these instructions carefully before using. Illustrations based on Model VB 22 with additional features of models VB 30, VB 31 indicated.

Name of parts



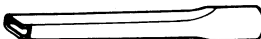
Attachments



Dusting brush (VB 30) (VB 31)



Round brush



Crevice tool

Important safeguards

1. Make sure that the filter is securely attached in its place before vacuuming. Forgetting the filter will allow dust to enter the motor section and could damage the vacuum cleaner.
2. Do not block the flow of air. Blocking suction or allowing the dust to clog the hose will decrease the efficiency of the motor.
3. Never vacuum burning objects, volatile material or any matter that might damage the hose or filter. Also avoid vacuuming wet objects.
4. Keep the vacuum cleaner away from stoves and other heat-emitting appliances. Heat can deform and discolour the plastic parts of the unit.
5. Keep the vacuum cleaner free of insecticides. Do not wipe it with benzine, thinner, petrol or other oils which might cause discolouration or cracking. To clean the body and hose, dampen a cloth with a mild detergent and wipe clean.
6. Be sure not to push the clamp button while carrying the vacuum cleaner.

Reminder

1. Pull out the plug from the power point after use. Grasp the plug—not the cord—when pulling out the plug. Also do not extend the cord from the unit beyond the red marker line.
 2. If the dust indicator still points to red after having emptied the dust collector this probably indicates that the hose is clogged. Dust can be easily removed from the hose by attaching it to the exhaust port (See USING THE BLOWER), or by pushing through a thin rubber hose (used for gas or water) after disconnecting the angle pipe. (VB 30, VB 31).
 3. Long and continuous use (especially in the summer) causes the exhaust air and the body of the vacuum cleaner to become warm. This, however, does not denote a malfunction.
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How to use

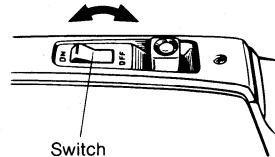
1. Empty the dust collector before it becomes completely filled. Frequent emptying lengthens the life of the motor and maintains strong suction power.
2. Before using the blower, make sure that the hose and wands are free of dust. (VB 30, VB 31)
3. When cleaning rough and uneven surfaces, pull the floor tool toward you while vacuuming.
4. If the cord should stop during rewinding, pull it out a little and twist the cord reel button again. (VB 30, VB 31)
5. Large pieces of waste and long objects block the hose. Remove them before vacuuming.
6. Use the crevice tool to suction off dust collected on the bristles of the floor tool. A coarse comb can also be used.

Functions of each part

1. The Switch

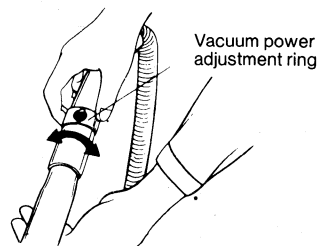
Press the ON side of the switch to start the motor.

To stop the motor, press the OFF side of the switch.



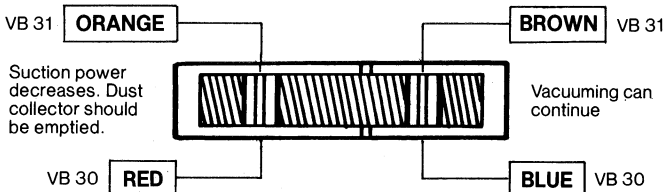
2. The vacuum power adjustment ring (VB 30, VB 31)

The full vacuum power of the cleaner may be too strong in certain cases, for instance when vacuuming curtains and draperies. In these cases, turn the vacuum power adjustment ring (on the hose) to control the vacuum power. Match the hole in the ring with the hose hole to reduce the power.



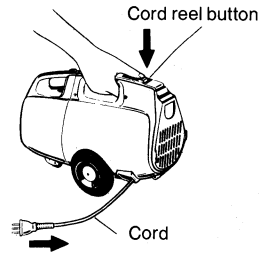
3. The Dust Indicator (VB 30, VB 31)

The dust indicator shows the amount of dust that has collected in the dust collector. Hold the floor tool away from the floor, while operating, to check.



4. The Cord (VB 30, VB 31)

To rewind the cord, simply push the cord reel button. Push it in the direction indicated by the arrow and the cord will automatically rewind.



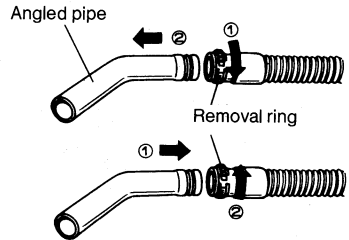
5. Unclogging the hose

When the hose is clogged with dust, remove it in the following manner:

- 1) Pull out the angle pipe by turning the removal ring in either direction.
- 2) Use a vinyl garden hose to push out the dust clogging the hose.
- 3) Insert the angle pipe in place and return the ring to its original position.

*Do not use the hose without the angled pipe in place. If the hose is used with-

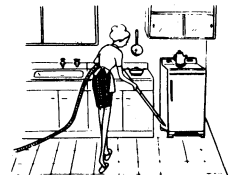
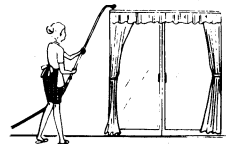
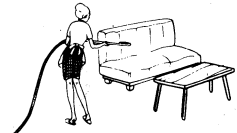
out the angled pipe, the hose will bend excessively, causing it to break.



6. The Attachments

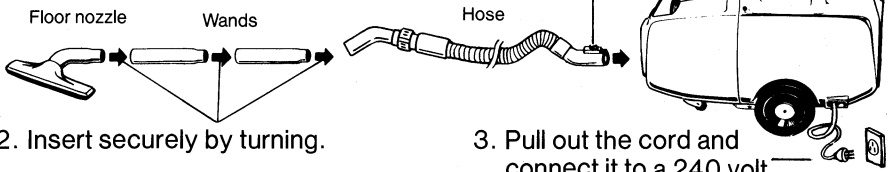
Different attachments serve different purposes.

- 1) The dusting brush (VB 30, VB 31)
Very convenient for all kinds of upholstered furniture, beds, tapestries, curtains, and also for dusting clothes.
- 2) The angle pipe
Usually fitted between the wand and hose.
For cleaning not easily accessible or high places, use the wand together with the angle pipe and the round brush.
- 3) The round brush
Its soft bristles make it ideal for dusting high-polish surfaces, furniture, lamps, shelves, picture frames and other fragile objects.
- 4) The crevice tool
For cleaning out crevices in sofas, chairs, for vacuuming corners and other not easily accessible places.



Assembly

1. Insert the hose all the way up to the hose stopper. To detach it, depress the hose stopper and pull.



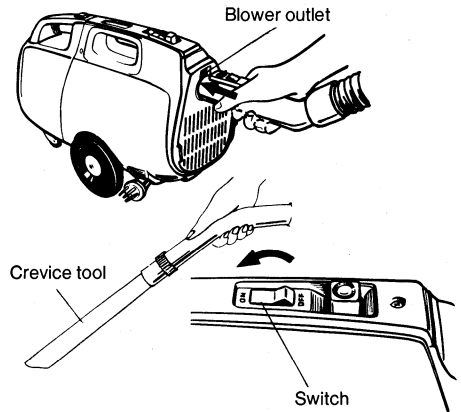
2. Insert securely by turning.

3. Pull out the cord and connect it to a 240 volt A.C. power point.

Using the blower (VB 30, VB 31)

Use the blower to blow out dust from behind furniture, on bric-a-brac, on ventilator grilles and to clean out hoses.

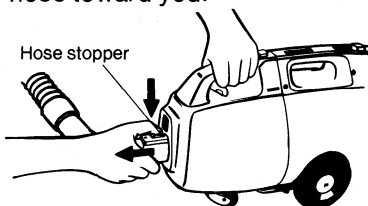
1. Attach the hose to the blower outlet.
2. Attach the crevice tool to the end of the hose. Plug the power cord into an A.C. wall socket.
3. Press the ON side of the switch to blow air out from the end of the hose.



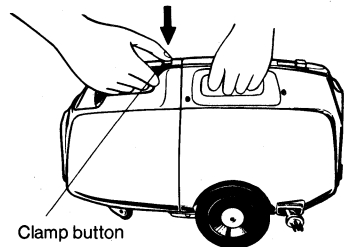
Emptying the Dust collector

After making sure that motor has stopped turning, empty dust by observing the following procedure.

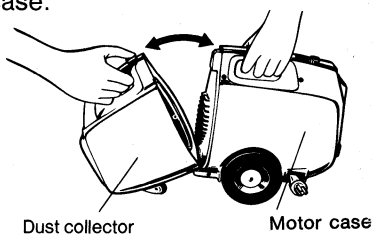
- 1) Detach the hose from the cleaner body. Press the hose stopper and pull the hose toward you.



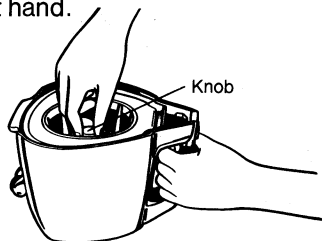
- 2) Then hold the dust collector by its grip and depress the clamp button.



- 3) The cleaner body will come apart, into the dust collector and the motor case.

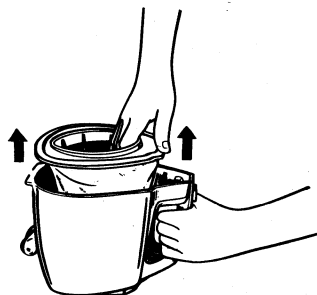


- 4) Hold the dust collector with left hand, grip knob on filter frame firmly with right hand.

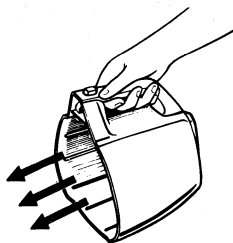


- 5) Pull filter up and twist filter frame back and forth (approx 20 times). Fine dust particles will be loosened from the filter dropping into the dust collector.

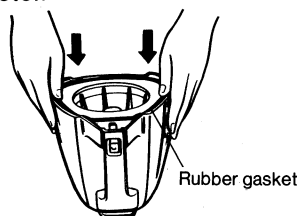
- 6) Lift the filter assembly from the dust collector as shown.



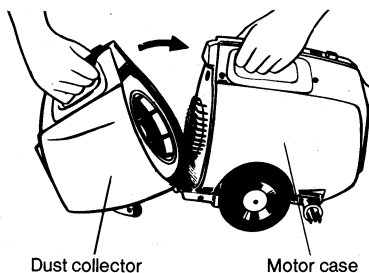
- 7) Dispose of the dust accumulated in the dust collector as shown.



- 8) Put the filter back into the dust collector. Make sure that the rubber gasket around the filter does not protrude over the edge of the dust collector.



- 9) To re-assemble the cleaner body, fit the protrusion on the edge of the dust collector into the slit on the lower edge of the motor case. Push the two parts together until the clamp button clicks into place. The two parts will then be locked together.



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