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MODEL:  
SA861-80

**• IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION •  
READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING VACUUM CLEANER  
USE ONLY AS DIRECTED.**



## IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

### PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Thank you for purchasing our Water Filtration Vacuum Cleaner. Each unit has been manufactured to ensure safety and reliability. Before first use, please read the following instructions carefully and keep for future reference. It will help you assemble and operate your new vacuum in the safest and most effective way.

### READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING

#### DANGER – To reduce the risk of electrocution:

1. Read all instructions, safeguards, and warnings before using the appliance.
2. Do not place appliance where it can fall or be pulled into water or other liquid.
3. Do not place in or drop into water or other liquid.
4. Do not reach for an appliance that has fallen into water. Unplug immediately!

#### WARNING – To reduce the risk of burns, electrocution, fire, or injury to persons:

1. The appliance is not intended for use by young children or infirm persons without supervision.
2. Check that the main voltage corresponds to the voltage indicated on the rating label, see specifications below:
 

UL/CUL	120V	60Hz	1200W
TUV/UK	220-240V	50-60Hz	1300W
3. Do not leave the appliance unattended while plugged in. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning.
4. This appliance should not be used by children. Close supervision is necessary when this product is used near children or invalids.
5. Use this appliance for its intended use as described in this manual. Do not use any other accessories or attachments not recommended by the manufacturer. They may result in fire, electrical shock, or personal injury.
6. Never operate this appliance if it has a damaged cord or plug, if it is not working properly, if it has been dropped or damaged, or dropped into water. Return the product to an authorized customer service center for inspection, repair, or adjustment.
7. Keep the cord away from heated surfaces.
8. Always grab by the plug to remove from outlet. DO NOT pull on cord.
9. Never force the plug into an outlet.
10. Do not use outdoors or operate where aerosol (spray) products are being used or where oxygen is being administered.
11. Do not let the cord hang over the edge of a table or counter, or touch hot surfaces.
12. Before removing plug from wall, turn UNIT OFF.
13. Do not use this appliance for anything other than it is intended.
14. Check all electrical wiring. Beware of damaged cord or plug.
15. Never block the air openings of the product or place it on a soft surface, such as a bed or couch, where the air openings may be blocked. Keep the air openings free of lint, hair, and the like.
16. Do not pull, lift, or carry by the power cord. Do not use the cord as a handle, close a door on the cord, or pull the cord around or against sharp edges or corners. Do not run vacuum over power cord.



## Notes



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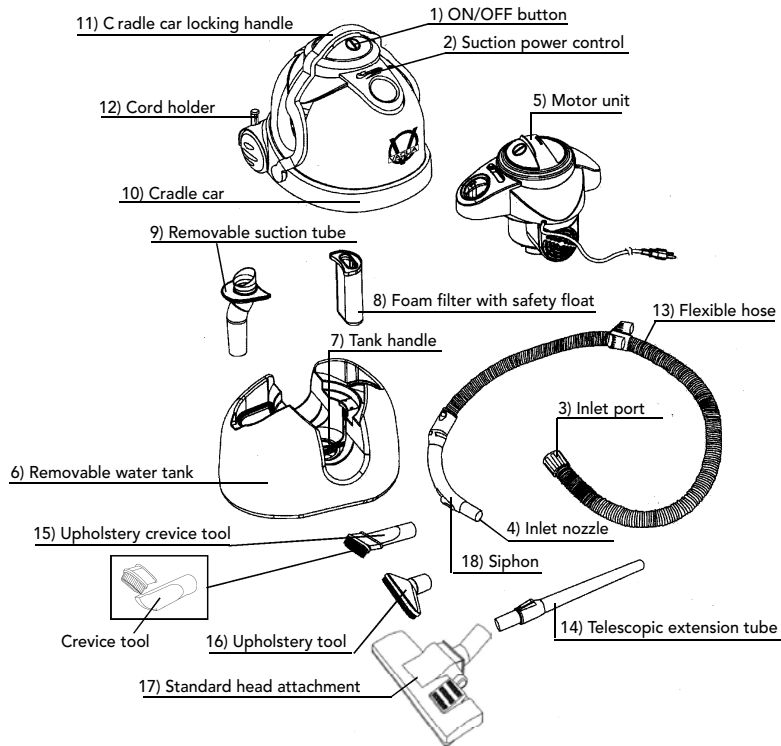


17. Do not use to pick up flammable or combustible liquids, such as gasoline, or use in areas where they may be present.
18. Do not pick up anything that is burning or smoking, such as cigarettes, matches, or hot ashes.
19. Do not pick up toxic material such as chlorine bleach, lighter fluid, etc. with this vacuum.
20. Do not suck plaster powders and lime or cement, especially in a dusty room when decorating.
21. Do not pick up hard or sharp objects such as glass.
22. Do not use without filter in place.
23. Replace the filter when necessary.
24. The use of an extension cord is not recommended.
25. Do not operate if cleaner appears to be faulty.
26. Never attempt to open any part or dismantle the controls. Responsibility for failure cannot be accepted if this instruction has been ignored.
27. Do not try to over-extend or stretch the main cable.
28. Do not allow unit to be exposed to rain.
29. Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers, and all parts of the body away from openings and moving parts.
30. Unplug this product before filling.
31. Do not use without water in the water tank.
32. Special care must be taken when using the appliance to clean stairs.
33. Do not handle the plug or appliance with wet hands.
34. Do not overfill the water tank. Note the "Maximum Level" marking.
35. Do not vacuum up soapy liquid or detergents as this causes frothing inside the water tank.
36. Connect to a properly grounded outlet only. See Grounding Instructions.
37. Never drop or insert any object into any opening or hose.
38. This appliance is for household use only. Industrial or commercial use invalidates the warranty.
39. Do not disassemble the product.
40. For indoor use only.

**SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS.**

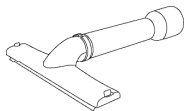


**PARTS DIAGRAMS**



**Bonus  
FLOOR SQUEEGEE**

Great for picking up wet spills on tile, wood, and other hard surfaces.



**Optional Bonuses**

1. STORAGE BAG
2. CARPET CLEANING SYSTEM

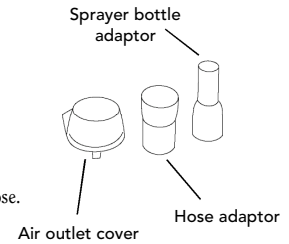


**Assembly Instructions for  
Carpet Cleaning System**

NOTE: When assembling and preparing for use, make sure that the H2O unit is NOT plugged into the power source.

How to attach sprayer bottle with H2O unit:

1. Remove HEPA filter and HEPA filter cover from the H2O unit.
2. Attach air outlet cover to the same place where you remove HEPA filter cover.
3. Attach flexible hose to air outlet cover.
4. Attach sprayer bottle adaptor to the other end of the flexible hose.
5. Attach sprayer bottle to sprayer bottle adaptor.





## TROUBLESHOOTING

### Problem

The vacuum cleaner does not start.

The suction power reduces and the noise increases.

Leakage of water during wet vacuuming.

### Possible Cause and Solution

The power supply is not properly connected. Check the power cord, plug and socket.

The maximum level of water collection has been reached. Turn the H2O unit off and disconnect the power cord from the electrical outlet. Empty the water.

There is a blockage. Check that the flexible hose, extension tool, or accessory are not blocked and remove any causes of blockage. The HEPA filter requires replacement.

Float blocked and/or no float filter. Release the float, clean and/or dry the foam filter.

### SERVICE/ PROBLEM SOLVING

There are no user serviceable parts in this appliance. If the appliance is not operating correctly, please check that:

1. You have followed the instructions correctly.
2. The wall socket is switched on.
3. The mains power supply is ON.

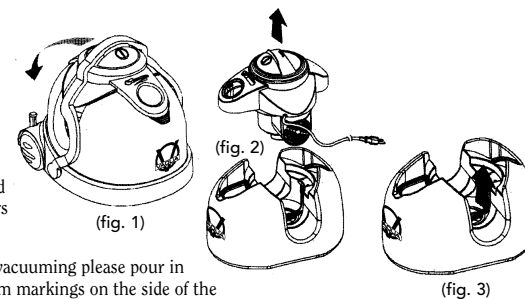
If the appliance still does not work: In the first instance, consult your retailer for possible repair or replacement.



## Assembly & Operating Instructions

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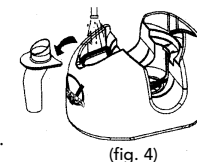
1. Completely lower the handle that locks the motor unit. (Figure 1)
2. Remove the motor unit. (Figure 2)
3. Lift out the removable water tank using its handle. (Figure 3)  
(Note: Water tank should easily lift out. If it does not, please unwind the power cord from the two holders on the cradle car.)



4. To use the H2O unit for dry or wet vacuuming please pour in water using the maximum/minimum markings on the side of the water tank for reference. Do not fill below the minimum line or above the maximum line. A minimum of 1.8 litres of water should be poured into the tank; do not exceed the maximum level of 3.3 litres marked on the tank.

Note: The suction tube can be removed making it easier to pour water into the tank. (Figure 4)

5. Replace the tank on the cradle car, position the motor unit in place and raise the handle that locks the motor unit until it clicks into place.
6. Fit the flexible hose to the appliance, inserting the white end into the opening and turning it clockwise. (Figure 5) To remove it, turn it counterclockwise.
7. Fit the extension tool onto the end of the flexible hose, pushing it fully into place.
8. Choose an attachment, and fit it snugly over the end of the telescoping extension tool.



### NOTES

For hard floors, carpets and rugs use the standard head attachment (Part 17.) and connect to the metal telescopic tube.

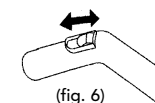
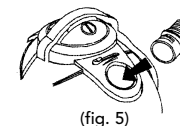
You can use one of the other accessories provided, such as the crevice tool or the upholstery tool, by fitting it directly on to the siphon (Part 18.)

Plug the appliance into the power socket.

Turn the unit on by pressing the silver ON/OFF button on the top of the unit. To switch the vacuum OFF simply press the same button once again.

The siphon on the flexible hose is fitted with a mechanical suction power to be varied by simply moving the slide knob. (Fig.6)

Adjusting the telescope extension tube to suit your needs by pushing the locking knob.





## SELECTING THE PROPER CLEANING TOOL

1. **Upholstery crevice tool** may be used for carved furniture, table tops, books, lamps, lighting fixtures, Venetian blinds, baseboards, to mention a few.
2. **Upholstery tool** may be used for upholstered furniture, draperies, tapestries, mattresses, clothing and carpet stairs.
3. **Crevice tool** may be used in tight spaces, corners and along edges in such places as dresser drawers, upholstered furniture, stairs and baseboards.
4. Carpet cleaning system includes:
  - (a) **Sprayer bottle** - creates foaming action when mixed with water and/or cleaning solution to get deep down into dirt and help lift stains.
  - (b) **Carpet cleaning brush** - specially designed tool to extract excess liquid from carpet and/or upholstery.
  - (c) **Little brush** - helps clean most tough stains.

**Extension Tubes(s)** used to give extra length to your hose. Use it with any of the above tools.

**Cord storage/holder** the vacuum is fitted with two brackets located at the back of the vacuum. This is used to neatly wrap the cord around before storing.

## USING THE CARPET/FLOOR NOZZLE

The floor nozzle can be used for both hard floors and carpets, carpets rugs and the like. Depress the left hand lever on the floor nozzle in order to lower the bristles to the down position. This is best suited for carpets. Lift the left hand lever in order to lock the floor brush in the up position, which is used for floors and hard surfaces.

## SUCTION CONTROL ON THE HANDLE

You can be adjusted the suction on the handle using the fingertip control on the handle (Fig.6).

Closed: For full suction power

Open: To reduce the suction power and to stop large objects getting stuck in the pipe

There is also a suction control lever on the motor and is used to increase or decrease the suction power of the vacuum by moving the lever to the left or right.

## EMPTYING THE DUST/WATER TANK

There is no dust full indicator on your vacuum as it is a bagless vacuum. The dust canister is transparent and as such you can see at all times how much dust/dirt has accumulated in the tank. When the dust canister looks full, turn the vacuum OFF and disconnect from the mains socket. Disconnect the hose from the hose inlet duct. Remove the water tank by moving the cradle car locking handle to the down position. Empty the contents and refill with clean water.

**If too much dirt accumulates in the water tank, your cleaner will not operate effectively.**

**Note:** UNPLUG THE VACUUM CLEANER BEFORE CLEANING/REPLACING THE DUST FILTER. NEVER PLACE A DUST FILTER IN A WASHING MACHINE OR DRY CLEAN.

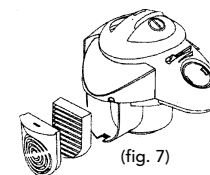


## HEPA FILTER

Your HEPA filter is located on the left hand side of the motor (Part 5) and is there to reduce dirt, dust and other types of particles from entering back into a room. We recommend you check the filter on a regular basis as it will affect the suction power and smooth running of your vacuum. The HEPA filter should be replaced at least once every four months. However this will depend on the frequency of use and may need replacing more often.

To replace the HEPA filter follow these instructions:

1. Disconnect the vacuum from the power supply.
2. Move the cradle car lock (Part.11) to the down position.
3. Remove the motor from the cradle.
4. The motor protection filter is located on the left hand side of the motor when standing in front of the unit.
5. Press the lever at the bottom which will expose the filter.
6. Remove the filter by simply pulling the tag at the top of the filter and replace with new one. (Fig.7)
7. Re-assemble the vacuum by putting the cover back in and placing the motor back on to the vacuum water tank.



**REPLACEMENT HEPA FILTERS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE CUSTOMER SERVICES WHERE YOU PURCHASED THE UNIT FROM.**

**NOTE:** NEVER USE THE VACUUM CLEANER WITHOUT THIS FILTER IN PLACE. USE ONLY ORIGINAL FILTERS.

**UNPLUG CLEANER BEFORE CLEANING/REPLACING THE DUST FILTER & BRACKET. NEVER PLACE A CLOTH BAG IN A WASHING MACHINE OR DRY CLEAN.**

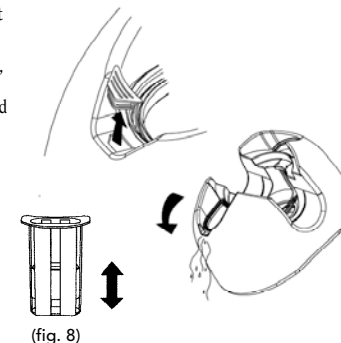
## Care and Maintenance

Your vacuum cleaner is manufactured to withstand normal day-to-day use, but an occasional wipe over with a damp cloth will help maintain its goods looks. Abrasive cleaners should NOT be used.

**Caution:** Always disconnect the appliance from the mains socket before performing any cleaning or maintenance operations.

After the appliance has been used, take out the rubber plug first, then pour away the dirty water and clean the water tank. If you used the machine to clean liquid waste, there will be some liquid residue left in the flexible hose and extension tube. To clean inside of the hose and tube, empty the water tank completely and then vacuum up about 1 liter of clean water. Repeat if necessary.

After emptying and rinsing the water tank, remove the foam filter, wash it under running water and let it dry completely before re-positioning (the filter must be kept dry to prolong its life). Periodically check that the float is free to move. (Fig.8)



## STORAGE

Store your vacuum in a cool dry place.