

PET VAX Specifications

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- Weight Net 8.0Kg
- Size..... Height 54cms x 34cms diameter
- Motor 1200 watts max. / 450 watts min variable power. 2 stage bypass motor completely insulated and sealed against water contamination.
- Structure..... Moulded high-impact resistant ABS – a higher grade material than the average car bumper.
- Dust Bags Supplied with machine.
- Clean Water Reservoir 4 litres of clean water.
- Hose 1.8m long, crush resistant hose with 360 (degree) swivels at each end for tangle free cleaning and maximum access.
- Recovery Bucket 8 litre capacity.

VAXCARE

For further assistance or advice about any VAX home-care appliance please call VAXCARE on
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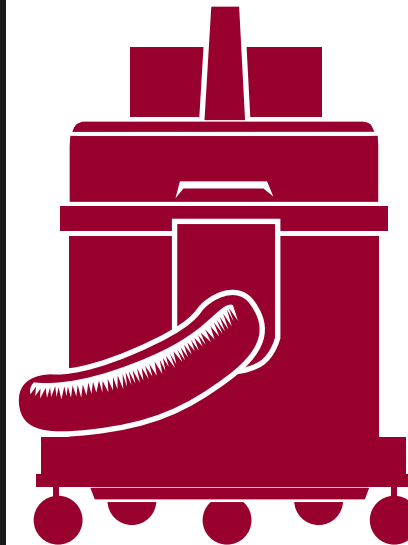
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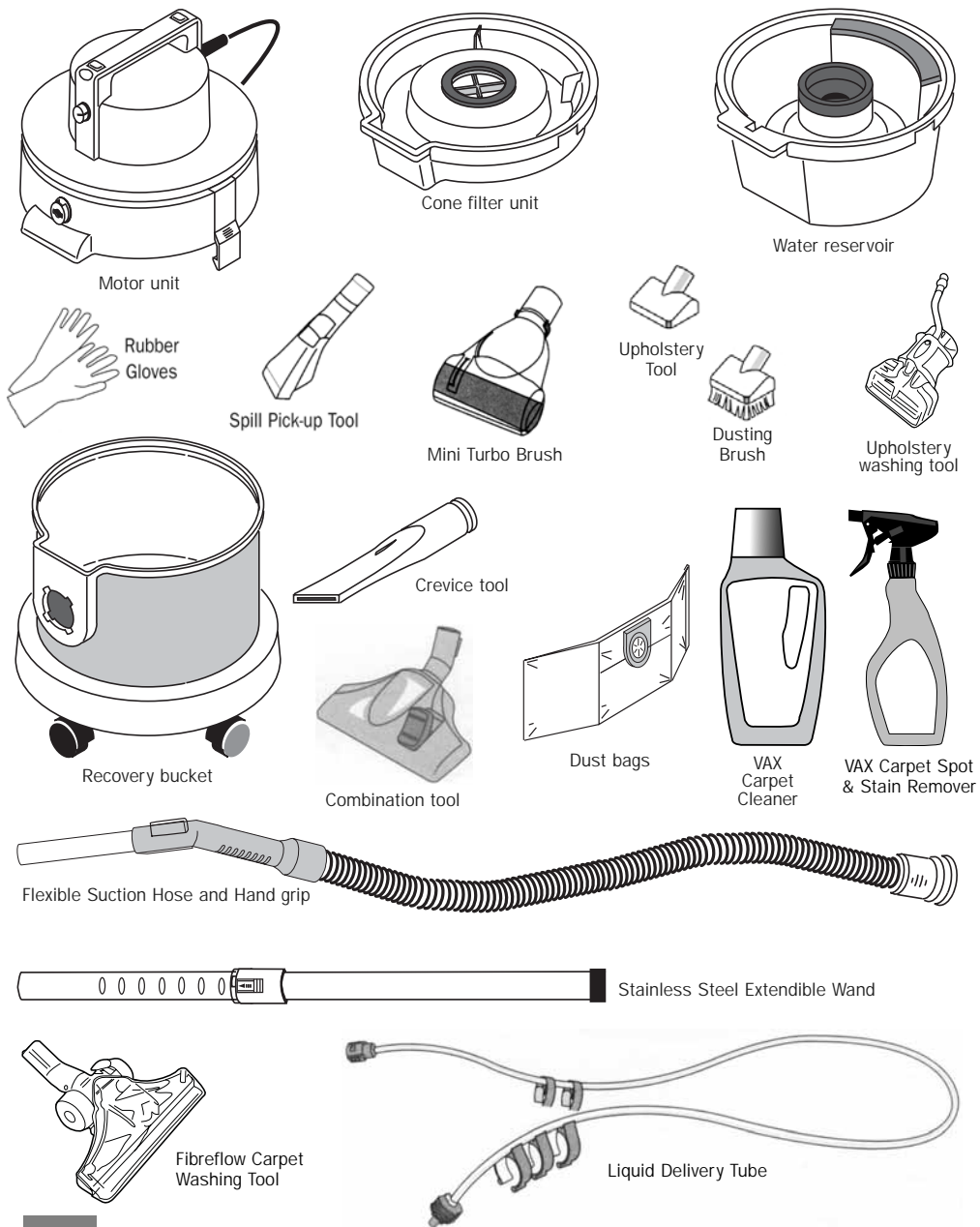


DRY VACUUMS • WASHES CARPETS & UPHOLSTERY • PICKS UP SPILLS • CLEANS HARDFLOORS • PICKS UP AFTER PETS

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Parts checklist

Before using your VAX, please read 'Important safety information' on page 11.



Important safety information

THIS 'EASY GUIDE' SHOULD BE READ COMPLETELY AND REFERRED TO AT ALL TIMES BEFORE USING YOUR VAX.

This 'easy guide' should be retained with your VAX for future reference. If your VAX is sold or transferred to a new owner, this guide should be passed on so that the new owner can become acquainted with the machine and this information. The following information is provided in the interest of safety.

Please read it before using your VAX.

DO'S

- Use only genuine VAX replacement parts.
- Use of non VAX® fluids, filters and accessories may damage your machine and void your warranty.
- Ensure the mains cable is fully unwound and straightened before use.
- If the supply cord is damaged, it must be replaced by the manufacturer or its service agent or a similarly qualified person in order to avoid a hazard.
- Ensure the mains cable is kept well away from the revolving brushes (where fitted) of your VAX, when it is turned on and running.
- Keep the mains cable away from heat, oil, sharp edges and rough surfaces and avoid damage in any other way.
- Exercise extreme care when cleaning stair carpets. Ensure that your VAX is in a stable position at either the top or bottom of the stairs without over-stretching the hose or cable. When cleaning the stair treads, always keep a hand firmly on your VAX. You may prefer to remove the castors.
- Follow the instructions in this user guide when fitting accessories or tools.
- Remove the plug from the wall socket before carrying out any maintenance specified in this guide.
- Change dust bag and filters at regular intervals as specified on page 3 of this guide.
- Store your VAX in a dry place.
- Have your VAX serviced by an authorised VAX Service Agent only using genuine VAX spare parts.

DONT'S

- This appliance is not intended for use by young or infirm persons unless they have been adequately supervised by a responsible person to ensure that they can use the appliance safely. Young children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
- Never drag your VAX by the mains cable.
- Never tug at the mains cable to remove the plug from the wall socket.

- Never allow the complete coiled mains cable to drop on the floor as this may result in kinks or knots occurring in the cable, causing premature failure.
- Don't let anyone touch the rotating brush bar (where fitted) unless your VAX is disconnected from the mains.
- Never use your VAX in the presence of flammable gases.
- Avoid sucking up hot items, hazardous liquids or any other material which could damage your VAX.
- Never leave your VAX running unattended.
- Never use your VAX without a dust bag.
- If your VAX fails to operate, never attempt to repair it yourself as repairs carried out by an unauthorised or inexperienced person may cause injury to you or damage to your VAX.
- Never alter the specification or modify your VAX in any way.

EXTENSION CABLE

If using an extension cable always ensure that the insulation sheath is in good condition and is not damaged in any way.

Make sure that the plug and socket are fitted to the extension cable correctly, if in doubt have it checked by a qualified electrician.

Always use the extension cable in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

IMPORTANT: When carrying out any maintenance or cleaning operations on this product, it is essential that the plug is removed from the wall socket.

In the interests of product improvement, the Company reserves the right to introduce modifications or alterations without notice.

IMPORTANT

"Vaxing" is a term used to describe the washing of carpets using the unique Vax Cleaning system. Not many people realise just how dirty carpets can become, even when regular maintenance is carried out by owners or professional cleaners. No matter how powerful a vacuum cleaner, dry vacuuming of carpets will only remove surface dirt.

When Vaxing for the first time, many owners are astounded at the amount of dirt and grime this washing system releases from their carpets. Depending on many factors such as age of carpet, neighbourhood conditions (ie. dry, dusty, muddy, sandy) etc., in some instances the release of dirt particles can be so extensive that the carpet becomes discoloured. This is due to the efficiency of the Vax system and is not a malfunction of the unit. With subsequent Vaxing treatments, the discolouration will diminish. For heavily soiled carpets it may take a number of treatments.

If you have washing difficulties

IF YOU HAVE WASHING DIFFICULTIES, CHECK...

- 1 The pump washing button is switched on
- 2 The tube valve is properly connected
- 3 The weight on the end of the solution tube is at the bottom of the water reservoir and not trapped between motor unit and water reservoir
- 4 The rocker switch is positioned towards the back
- 5 The washing tool is flat on the surface being washed
- 6 That the power control is correctly adjusted within the washing range. Turn higher than minimum wash setting for uneven or higher pile if required
- 7 There are no kinks in the solution tube
Remove kinks by rubbing the tube between finger & thumb
- 8 That the recovery bucket is not full, causing the automatic cut off valve to stop the suction

VAX Cleaning Solutions

Carpet Cleaner

- Tough on germs
- Kills odour causing bacteria
- Excellent disinfecting and stain removing properties
- Fabric Softener
- Deodoriser

Carpet Spot & Stain Remover

- Contains disinfecting and stain removing agents
- Fabric Softener
- Deodoriser

Defoamer

- Reduces excessive foaming
- For use in all 3 and 1 machines

Multi Surface Hardfloor Cleaner

- Biodegradable
- Deodorising cleaner
- Stain removing agents
- Suitable for tiles, vinyl and slate

Hardfloor Wipe

- Biodegradable
- Deodorising cleaner
- Stain removing agents
- Streak free

Allerite

Effective in the reduction and control of dust mite allergen which simply cannot be removed by normal vacuuming.

Looking after your VAX

Items below are available from your Vax Retailer or from VAX direct.

Paper dust bag (double walled)
Available in packs of 5

Cloth bag
For heavy duty use, these bags can be cleaned up to 5 times.

REGULARLY (when you buy a new pack of 5 disposable paper bags or 1 new cloth bag)...

Replace cone filter
Available in a pack of two. Also available with a bondini filter and exhaust filter in a 3 filter pack. Periodic cleaning – using dusting brush clean from centre outwards.

Clean the Bondini (blue) filter
Available with a cone filter and exhaust filter in a 3 filter pack. Wash filter in warm water. Squeeze it dry and replace it. Your VAX will work more efficiently if the Bondini filter is replaced with a new one occasionally.

Clean the exhaust filter
Available with a cone filter and bondini filter in a 3 filter pack. Wash filter in warm water. Squeeze it dry and replace it. Your VAX will work more efficiently if the black exhaust filter is replaced with a new one occasionally.



Accessories below are not supplied with model PET VAX

Turbobrush
The high speed rotating brush bar dislodges trapped dust, dirt and hair from within the carpet pile. Automatic air adjustment allows effective cleaning on light or heavy pile carpets.

Automop
Washes and dries sealed hard floors. Suitable for vinyl, ceramics, terrazzos, quarry tiles and most other hard floor surfaces.

Hardfloor Tool
Thoroughly cleans all hardfloor surfaces. Stiff bristles ensure dirt and dust is sought out in every crevice, leaving floors clean and dust free. Great for use on carpets.

VAX Defoamer
Reduces excessive foaming when washing carpets. For use with all multi-function machines.

7 steps for easy vacuuming

1 Fit a dust bag by pushing it firmly into the recovery bucket before connecting hose

2 Push the connector on the end of the hose. Turn it clockwise to lock

3 Fit the filter unit and motor unit
Ensure the two retaining clips are secured. You may have to push down hard on the edges of the motor unit above the clips. They are a tight fit.

4 Fit the extendible wand to the hose hand grip
Adjust to suit by pressing button in direction of arrow which will allow an extension or reduction in wand length.

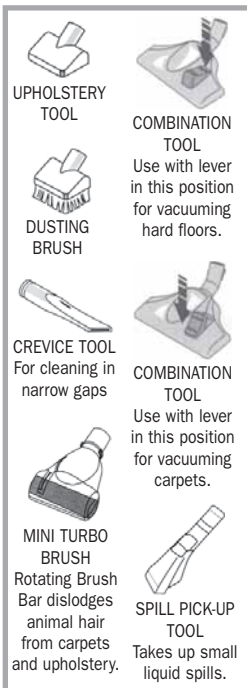
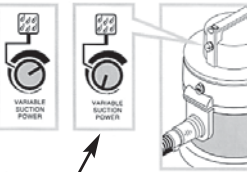
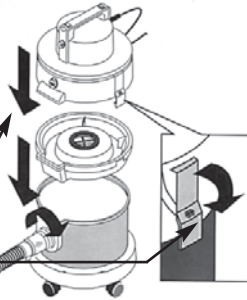
5 Choose suction power
Vacuum carpets on high power.
Vacuum fabrics and upholstery on low power.
Make sure that the cable is fully unwound.
Put the plug into a wall socket.

6 Choose the right tool for the job
The smaller tools can be fitted to the back of your VAX when not in use.

7 Switch ON
Push the button on the handle marked for on, push again for off.

Tip

- As your VAX is very powerful, you may find that the dust bag fills up quickly the first time you use it.
- Should a blockage occur in the suction hose/hand grip it can usually be "unblocked" by reversing the hose and running the machine for a few seconds or so. It may be necessary to bind the hand grip end of the hose with a cloth or rag to form a temporary seal between the hand grip and the connector socket on the recovery bucket.



How to: Unblock sinks

1 Set up for washing, but don't connect the solution tube or put water or cleaning solution in the water reservoir

If the water in your sink is soapy, VAX Defoamer will be required in the recovery bucket. Refer to instructions on Defoamer bottle. Pour Defoamer into recovery bucket through the central hole in the clean water reservoir.

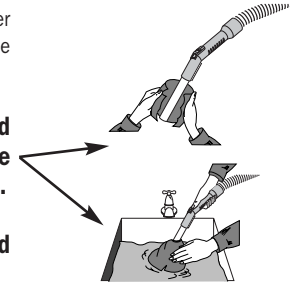
2 Use the metal tube connected to the hand grip. Wrap a cloth around the tube to create a seal between the tube and the plug hole.

3 Turn the suction power to maximum and switch on

The 'sound' your VAX makes will change and the suction will drop when the recovery bucket is full. Time to empty it!



VARIABLE SUCTION POWER



What to do after washing

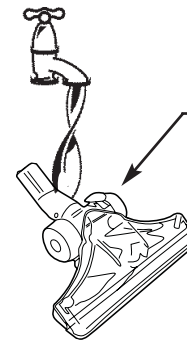
AFTER WASHING – ALWAYS...

Clean your VAX thoroughly

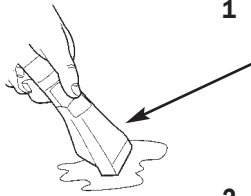
Keep your VAX assembled. Clean the washing tool, stainless steel wand and hose, by sucking up some clean warm water. After sucking up the water, leave your VAX switched on. Air flowing through the hose will help dry it out.

AFTER WASHING – REGULARLY...

Clean out the fibreflow carpet washing tool



How to: Use the spill pick-up tool



1 Attach the spill pick-up tool to the vacuuming hose.

Turn you VAX on. Suck up the spill keeping the spill pick-up facing down. Do not overfill above the max level mark. **NOTE: Do not tip the tool upside down or the fluid will leak out.**

2 Remove the spill pick-up from the hose.

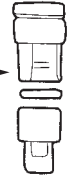
Release the connector by pushing the black release button and pull to disconnect. Dispose the spill.

3 Separate the parts and rinse, including the filter.

Dry components before replacing.

Note:

- ☞ The spill pick-up is designed to pick-up fluid. Any staining or marking should be dealt with using the VAX Carpet Spot & Stain Remover as directed on the bottle. Alternatively, the area of the spill can be washed using your VAX fitted with the appropriate washing tool.



How to: Suck up large spills

If your washing machine floods or the deep freeze has been defrosted, leaving pools of water about, your VAX can help

1 Set up for washing, but don't connect the solution tube or put water or cleaning solution in the water reservoir

If the spill is soapy, VAX Defoamer will be required in the recovery bucket. Refer to instructions on Defoamer bottle. You should pour VAX Defoamer in the central hole in the clean water reservoir.

2 Use the metal extension tube or extendible wand or connect the washing tool directly to the hand grip

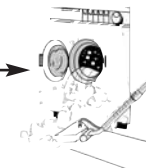
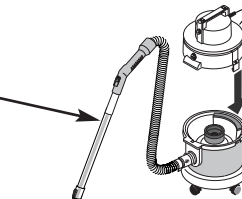
3 Turn the suction power to maximum and switch on

4 Suck up the spill

The 'sound' your VAX makes will change and the suction will drop when the recovery bucket is full. Time to empty it!



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Getting ready to wash

1 Vacuum the area you intend to wash

2 Remove the motor unit, filter unit, hose, dust bag and vacuuming tool

Be careful with the dust bag so as not to spill the contents over your floor

3 When dustbag is removed, re-fit the hose. Push and turn clockwise

4 Fill the water reservoir with warm water (not hot), to the level marked on it. Fit the water reservoir into the recovery bucket

5 Add VAX Carpet cleaner to the clean water

Refer to the instructions on the carpet cleaner bottle.

Add VAX Defoamer if required

Refer to the Tip on the bottom of this page.

6 Wrap Solution Tube (A) around Hose (B). Ensure that the solution tube is wrapped loosely enough to allow the solution to flow freely through the tube. After wrapping the tube around the hose, affix Solution Tube (A) to Hose (B) using Clips provided (C) to hold it in place.

- Adjust the extendible wand to suit

7 Fit the washing tool and push end of Solution Tube onto connective valve on the Carpet Wash Head / Upholstery Wash Tool.

8 Clip the remaining section of solution tube to the extendible wand

9 Unclip the transparent tube on the bottom of the motor unit. Place it in the bottom of the washing solution

10 Fit the motor unit (make sure the transparent tube is not trapped when you do this)

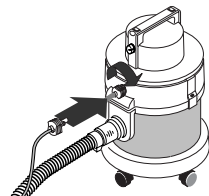
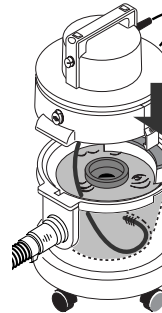
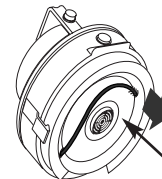
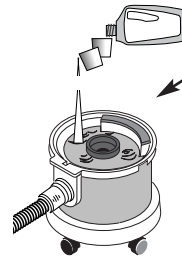
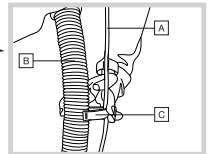
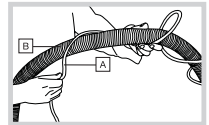
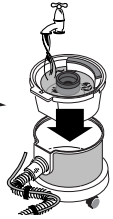
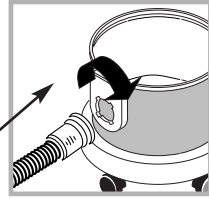
Secure both side clips.

11 Locate the tube valve, push in firmly and turn clockwise

YOU ARE NOW READY TO START WASHING

Tip



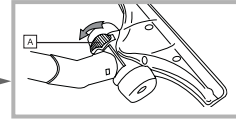
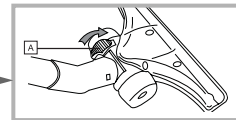
- ☞ You should pour VAX Defoamer into the recovery bucket (through the central hole in the clean water reservoir) if your carpet has been previously washed with a high foaming shampoo. VAX Defoamer is available through your VAX Stockist



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How to wash carpets

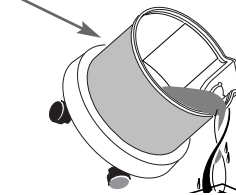


- 1 Set up your VAX as described on page 5
- 2 Switch ON 
- 3 Switch on the power washing button 
- 4 Turn the suction power to the wash setting or higher, depending on the carpet pile
- 5 To allow water to flow through the Fibreflow wash head, ensure that the rocker switch (A) is positioned towards the back of the head 
- 6 With the solution flowing, wash a section of carpet approx 3 metres x 3 metres by pushing the wash head backwards and forwards over the area
- 7 Stop the solution flow by moving the rocker switch (A) to the forward position on the Fibreflow wash head. This will prevent water flow, allowing excess water to be removed from the section just washed 
- 8 Turn the pump washing button off and turn the suction power to maximum
Go back over the area you have just washed. You are now maximising moisture removal from the carpet.
- 9 Move to the next area and repeat steps 3 to 8
- 10 When no more water reaches the wash tool the pump will make a 'sound' due to sucking air
Refill the water reservoir with water and VAX Carpet cleaner. Empty the recovery bucket when you refill the water reservoir. The 'sound' your VAX makes will change and the suction will drop if the recovery bucket is over-full. Time to empty it!

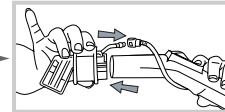


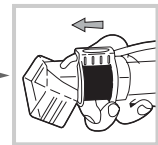
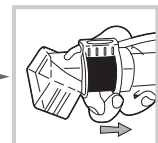


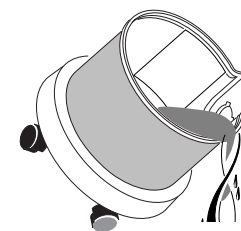
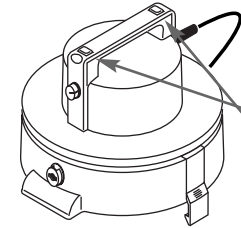
Tip

- ✦ ALWAYS TEST FOR COLOUR FASTNESS WITH SOME UNDILUTED CARPET CLEANER ON A HIDDEN AREA FIRST.
- ✦ Start from the corner of a room and work backwards towards the door.
- ✦ If you are washing very dirty carpets, you may have to wash them several times over a period of time to bring all the dirt to the surface.
- ✦ When washing stairs, place your VAX above the area you are washing. **ALWAYS ENSURE YOUR VAX IS STABLE.** The castors on your VAX will pull off, giving it extra stability on stairs or slopes. **DO NOT PULL EXCESSIVELY ON THE BLACK SUCTION HOSE.**
- ✦ Metal or wooden furniture legs may mark a wet carpet. Wait until the carpet is dry or place aluminium foil under the feet of furniture.
- ✦ When washing deep pile carpets, move the washing tool in the same direction as the pile lays.
- ✦ Don't allow children or animals onto the carpet until it is dry.



How to wash upholstery

- 1 Set up your VAX as described on page 5, BUT don't use the extendible metal wand
- 2 Connect the upholstery washing tool to the short metal wand and wind the excess solution tube around the metal portion of the hand grip and fit the tube into the upholstery washing tool 
- 3 Switch power button ON 
- 4 Switch on the pump washing button 
- 5 Turn the suction power to the wash setting
- 6 Start the washing solution flowing
To start the solution flow, push black collar on the wash tool forward. 
- 7 When you see water swirling in the washing tool you are ready to start washing
- 8 Pull the washing tool backwards
You are now washing the upholstery. Cover a small area at a time. Don't push the tool backwards and forwards as this may stretch the fabric.
- 9 Stop the washing solution flowing
To stop the flow, pull the black collar on the wash tool backward. Go back over the area you have just washed. You are now removing excess moisture from the upholstery. 
- 10 Move to next area and repeat steps 6 to 9
- 11 When no more water reaches the wash tool the pump will make a 'sound' due to sucking air
Refill the water reservoir with water and VAX Carpet cleaner. Empty the recovery bucket when you refill the water reservoir. The 'sound' your VAX makes will change and the suction will drop if the recovery bucket is full. Time to empty it!



Tip

- ✦ Use the upholstery washing tool for spot cleaning small dirt patches on either carpet or upholstery.