



VAX Platinum SmartWash

Carpet Washer



Safety information

This machine is intended for household use only, not for commercial or industrial use.
Please keep instructions for future use and only as instructed in this guide.

Basic Safety Precautions

- Only use the machine indoors and keep the area you're cleaning well lit.
- Keep fingers, hair and loose clothing away from moving parts and openings whilst using the machine.
- Before using the machine test your carpets/rugs/upholstery for colourfastness and pile distortion.
- This appliance can be used by children from 8 years and above and persons with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities or lack of experience and knowledge if they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance in a safe way and understand the hazards involved. Children shall not play with the appliance. Cleaning and user maintenance shall not be made by children without supervision.
- Only VAX recommended tools and solution should be used with this machine. Using other solutions may invalidate the guarantee.

Don'ts

- Don't leave the machine plugged in when unattended.
- Don't use the machine if it has been dropped, damaged or left outdoors.
- Don't run over the power cord or use the machine if the power cord or plug is damaged. If the power cord is damaged, it must be replaced by a qualified person in order to avoid a hazard.
- Don't use the machine to pick up any flammable or combustible materials (lighter fluid, petrol, kerosene etc.) or use the machine in an area with explosive vapours or liquid.
- Don't handle the plug or use the machine with wet hands.
- Don't pull or carry the machine by the power cord.
- Don't use the machine to pick up hot coals, cigarette butts, matches or smoking hot burning items or use in an area where there may be harmful fluids (chlorine, bleach and ammonia drain cleaner).
- Don't use the power cord as a handle, pull the power cord around corners or sharp edges, or close a door over the power cord.
- Don't unplug the machine by pulling on the power cord.
- Don't carry the machine while it's switched on.
- Don't attempt to remove blockages with sharp objects as this may cause damage to the machine. Remove blockages only as instructed in the user guide.
- Don't use the machine with incorrect voltage as this may result in damage or injury to the user. The correct voltage is listed on the ratings label.

- Don't over saturate your flooring. Always finish on a dry stroke.
- Don't use on a surface that is damaged, uneven or incorrectly fitted.

Do's

- Check with the manufacturer of your flooring prior to using the machine.
- The clean water tank should be filled with warm water (max 40°C) only. Filling the clean water tank with hot or boiling water will damage the machine and invalidate the guarantee.
- Always vacuum your flooring thoroughly before using the machine.
- Test all carpets/rugs/upholstery before full usage. Run the machine over a small hidden area. If no damage or pile distortion occurs continue cleaning.
- Only replace the fuse with a British Standard 13Amp fuse.
- Always unplug the machine before carrying out any maintenance and before connecting or disconnecting the hose/accessories.
- Always check the machine, tools and accessories are free from damage, dirt/debris before using.
- Take extra care when cleaning on the stairs.
- Always protect the power cord from heated surfaces and open flames.
- Turn off all controls on the machine before disconnecting or connecting the power cord. After use always wrap the power cord around the cord clips provided.
- Always keep the power cord away from the brushes whilst using the machine.
- Use only CE/UKCA approved 13amp extension cords, non-approved extension cords may overheat. Care should be taken to arrange the extension cord as it can be a trip hazard.
- Always use the machine with all water tanks and filters in place.
- Keep all openings clear and free from debris as this may affect the airflow/suction/water pick up.
- Always use the machine in an upright position. To prevent motor damage from dirty water, never hold the machine upside down or on its side.
- Store the machine in a cool, dry area. Before storing the machine please ensure all water tanks are empty and filters are thoroughly clean and dry.

Welcome to the Vax family!

You're now the proud owner of a VAX Platinum SmartWash.

Here you'll find everything you need to know about your machine and, most importantly, instructions on how to get started so that you can get cleaning!

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Please see the back cover of this User Guide for more detail.



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- 4 Dirty water tank handle
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- 6 Hose connection port cover
- 7 Wash/dry mode indicator
- 8 Nozzle release clip
- 9 Nozzle
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- 13 Solution tank
- 14 Quick cord release hook
- 15 Carry handle
- 16 Dirty water tank filter (hidden)
- 17 Quick cord release hook
- 18 Handle release pedal
- 19 On/Off pedal
- 20 2-in-1 Antimicrobial Tool*
- 21 Upholstery Wash Tool**
- 22 SpinScrub Tool*
- 23 2.5m Hose
- 24 Accessory Bag
- 25 500ml Platinum Antibacterial Solution
- 26 250ml Pre Treatment Solution*

Dirty water tank capacity 1.9L.

Clean water tank capacity 3.5L. Solution tank capacity 0.45L.

*/** Included with selected models only.

Subject to technical change without notice. Images are illustrative only.

MODEL NO:	CDCW-SWXS*	CDCW-SWXC**
2-in-1 Antimicrobial Tool	✓	
Upholstery Wash Tool		✓
SpinScrub Tool	✓	
Pre Treatment Solution	✓	
Accessory Bag	✓	



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Quick start

1

Assembly

Fit the nozzle onto the machine.

Push the handle into the main body until it clicks into place.



2

Filling the solution tank

Fill the solution tank with the Vax carpet cleaning solution.



3

Filling the clean water tank

Fill the clean water tank with warm water (max 40°C).



4

Wash

Slowly push the machine forwards. The water and solution will automatically dispense.



To pick up the water and solution, slowly pull the machine backwards.



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PLEASE READ THE SAFETY GUIDE BEFORE USE.

IMPORTANT: Carpets should be dry vacuumed thoroughly before washing.

- Test for colourfastness - Wet a white absorbent cloth with the solution. In a small hidden area of your carpet/rugs/upholstery, gently rub with the dampened cloth. Wait ten minutes and check for colour removal or bleed with a white paper towel or cloth. Check all carpets/rugs/upholstery material before first use and if your carpet has more than one colour, check all colours.
- Test all flooring/carpets/rugs before first usage. Run the machine over a small hidden area. If no damage or pile distortion occurs continue cleaning.
- When using the machine, basic safety precautions should always be observed. Do not over saturate your carpets; always finish with dry strokes until little water is visibly passing through the nozzle. When using the hose and tools always finish on a dry stroke.
- When cleaning an entire room, move furniture out of the area to be cleaned. If the furniture cannot be moved, place aluminium foil or wax paper under the legs. This will prevent wood finishes from staining your carpet. Pin up furniture skirts and curtains.
- Only use VAX carpet solution. Using other solutions may cause excess foaming and will invalidate the guarantee.
- For heavily soiled areas, it may be necessary to repeat the cleaning process. Make criss-crossing strokes across the original pattern and overlap with each pass.
- The clean water tank should only be filled with warm water (max 40°C). Filling the clean water tank with hot/boiling water will damage your machine and invalidate the guarantee.
- Empty and rinse out clean and dirty water tanks and leave to air dry before storage.
- This is a powerful machine, before plugging in make sure all controls are turned off and hold the machine firmly when starting and during use.

Assembly



Stand the base of the machine on the floor in the upright position.



Fit the nozzle; align the tabs at the top of the nozzle with the machine.



Push the nozzle backwards until it clicks into place.



Push the handle into the main body until it clicks into place.



Align the clean water tank with the body of the machine. Slide it down and press firmly into place.



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Using your machine

Filling the solution tank

IMPORTANT: It is recommended that the solution tank is filled when fitted on the machine. Unused solution can be left in the tank after use or poured back into the solution bottle.



Twist the solution tank cap anticlockwise and remove.



Fill the solution tank with the Vax carpet cleaning solution.



Twist the solution tank cap clockwise until tight.

Filling the clean water tank



Slide up and lift to remove the clean water tank.



Twist the clean water tank cap anticlockwise and remove.



Fill the clean water tank with warm water (max 40°C).



To replace the clean water tank align the clean water tank with the body of the machine. Slide it down and press firmly into place.



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Operation

CAUTION: The brushbars constantly rotate when switched on and the machine is reclined. Never use on one spot for an extended period of time as the brushbars may damage the floor surface.

IMPORTANT: Carpets should be dry vacuumed thoroughly before washing. Make criss-crossing strokes across the original pattern and overlap with each pass. Do not over saturate the carpet.



Plug the machine into the mains, press the handle release pedal and pull the handle backwards to recline the machine.



Press the On/Off pedal to switch on. The brushes will start rotating.



Slowly push the machine forwards. Water/solution will automatically dispense.



The mode indicator will illuminate **WASH** on the forward stroke.



Slowly pull the machine backwards to pick up the water/solution.



The mode indicator will illuminate **DRY** on the backward stroke.



For a dryer finish, press the dry only button to stop the water delivery. Continue using dry strokes until little water is visibly passing through the nozzle.

Using your machine

Rinsing the carpet

IMPORTANT: Optional step: To extract any remaining solution from your carpet, rinse your carpets with water only.



Pull up the solution tank and lift to remove.



Slowly push the machine forwards. The brushes will start rotating and just water will automatically dispense.



The mode indicator will illuminate **WASH** on the forward stroke.



Slowly pull the machine backwards to pick up the water.



The mode indicator will illuminate **DRY** on the backward stroke.



For a dryer finish, press the dry only button to stop the water delivery. Continue using dry strokes until little water is visibly passing through the nozzle.

Using the hose and tools

IMPORTANT: The machine should be in the upright position when using the hose and tools; this will de-activate the brushes. To avoid saturating the carpet, do not use more than 4 wet strokes over any one area. Always end with dry strokes (trigger released).



Upholstery Wash Tool**

For use on upholstery and carpeted stairs.



SpinScrub Hand Tool*

Suitable for targeting stains and stubborn marks on rugs and carpet.



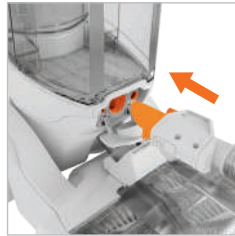
2-in-1 Antimicrobial Tool*

Suitable for use on upholstery and carpeted stairs. Perfect for reaching into crevices.

* 2-in-1 Antimicrobial Tool and SpinScrub Tool with model CDCW-SWXS only.
**Upholstery Wash Tool with model CDCW-SWXC only.



Open the hose connection port cover.



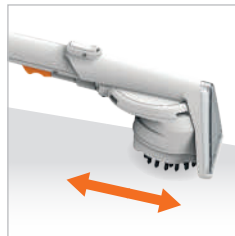
Push the hose end and hose solution connector into the hose connection port.



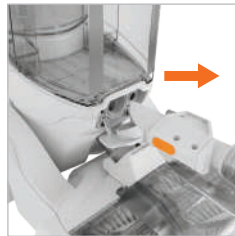
Select a tool. Attach the tool to the end of the hose until it clicks into place.



Plug the machine into the mains and press the On/Off pedal to switch on.



Press the trigger on the forward stroke to release water/solution. Release the trigger on the backward stroke to pick up water/solution. For a dry finish continue using dry strokes (trigger released) until little water is visibly passing through the tool.



To remove the hose press the hose release clip on the end of the hose and pull to remove.



Always close the hose connection port cover after using the hose. The machine may lose suction if it is not closed properly.

Cleaning and maintenance

CAUTION: Always switch off and unplug the machine before performing any maintenance/troubleshooting checks. The dirty water tank is fitted with a float. When the dirty water tank is full or the floorhead is not in contact with the carpet, the float will activate by shutting off the suction on the machine. This will be noticeable as the motor noise on the machine will increase. If the float has been activated empty the dirty water tank if it is full. If the dirty water tank is not full turn off the machine at the power switch and wait for the float to settle before restarting your machine. Empty and rinse out the clean and dirty water tanks and leave to air dry before replacing.

IMPORTANT: The motor is equipped with a thermal cut-out. If for any reason the machine should overheat, the thermostat will automatically turn the machine off. Switch off and unplug the machine. Check the machine for blockages and clean the dirty water tank filter.

Emptying and cleaning the dirty water tank



Squeeze the dirty water tank handle and pull to remove.



Unhook and lift the dirty water tank clip to release the lid.



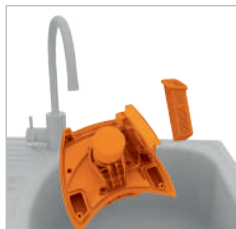
Lift the lid to remove.



Empty the dirty water tank over the sink or toilet. Rinse under warm water (max 40°C) to remove dirt/debris.



Slide the filter out of the dirty water tank.



Rinse the filter and dirty water tank lid under warm water (max 40°C) to remove dirt/debris.



Slide the filter back into the dirty water tank.



To replace the lid, hook the tabs on the front of the lid into the front of the dirty water tank.



Push the clip up and press down onto the dirty water tank to secure the lid.



To replace the dirty water tank, tilt and line the front of the dirty water tank up onto the machine. Push back until it clicks into place.



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Removing and emptying the solution tank



Pull up the solution tank and lift to remove.



Twist the solution tank cap anticlockwise and remove.



Pour unused solution into the solution bottle. Twist the solution tank cap clockwise until tight.



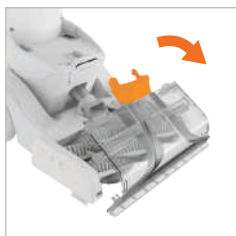
To replace, slide and push the solution tank firmly into the machine.

Removing and cleaning the nozzle

IMPORTANT: Carpets should be dry vacuumed thoroughly before washing. This will prevent excessive build up of dirt/debris in the nozzle. If the nozzle is fitted incorrectly, this will cause poor dirty water pick up.



Remove both tanks and tilt the machine back.



Lift the nozzle release clip and pull the nozzle forward to remove.



Rinse the nozzle under warm water (max 40°C) to remove dirt/debris.



To replace the nozzle align the tabs at the top of the nozzle with the machine.



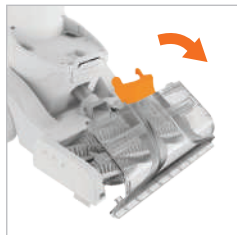
Push the nozzle backwards until it clicks into place.

Cleaning and maintenance

Removing and cleaning the brushbars



Remove both tanks and tilt the machine back.



Lift the nozzle release clip and pull the nozzle forward to remove.



Pull the tabs up on the side of both brushbars to remove them.



Pull to remove the brushbars end caps.



Rinse the brushbars under warm water (max 40°C) to remove dirt/debris.



Replace the brushbars end caps.



To replace the brushbars, align the right side of the first brushbar onto the circular gearing. Push the left tab downwards until it clicks into place. Repeat the same process with the other brushbar.



To replace the nozzle align the tabs at the top of the nozzle with the machine.



Push the nozzle backwards until it clicks into place.



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WARNING: Always switch off and unplug the machine before performing any checks or maintenance.

There is an accessory missing

- Check the contents on the box to make sure the part is definitely included with your machine.

Why won't the machine turn on?

- The plug may not be fully pushed into the electrical socket.
- The fuse in the plug may need replacing. Always replace with a British 13amp fuse.
- The motor thermostat may have tripped. If this has happened, unplug the machine. Check the machine for blockages and clean the dirty water tank filter.

Why won't the machine pick up?

- The float in the dirty water tank may have been activated. Empty the dirty water tank and wait for the float to settle before restarting your machine. **See Emptying and cleaning the dirty water tank page 12.**
- Check the brushbars for blockages and clear. **See Removing and cleaning the brushbars page 14.**
- The dirty water tank and/or lid may not be fitted correctly. **See Emptying and cleaning the dirty water tank page 12.**
- Check the nozzle for blockages and clear. **See Removing and cleaning the nozzle page 14.**
- Check the nozzle is correctly fitted. **See Removing and cleaning the nozzle page 14.**
- Check the filter in the dirty water tank for dirt/debris. Remove and clean. **See Emptying and cleaning the dirty water tank page 12.**
- The hose connector port cover may be open, close and retry. **See Using the hose and tools page 11.**

Why is the machine leaking solution?

- The solution tank may not be correctly fitted. Slide and push the solution tank firmly into the machine. **See Removing and emptying the solution tank page 13.**
- The solution may have overflowed into the reservoir underneath the solution tank. Remove the solution tank and dry any solution from underneath.

Why won't the solution/clean water dispense?

- Make sure the solution and clean water tank is fitted securely. **See Removing and emptying the solution tank page 13.**
- Dry mode may be activated. Deactivate and retry. **See Operation page 9.**
- Solution/water will only be delivered on the forward stroke. **See Operation page 9.**
- The solution or clean water tank valve may be stuck. Hold the tank over the sink and press the valve underneath to release.
- The solution or clean water tank is empty. Refill the tank. **See Filling the solution tank/Filling the clean water tank page 8.**

Why won't the solution/clean water dispense when using the hose?

- Make sure the solution and clean water tank is fitted securely. **See Removing and emptying the solution tank page 13.**
- Dry mode may be activated. Deactivate and retry. **See Operation page 9.**
- Trigger on the hose may not be fully pressed. **See Using the hose and tools page 11.**
- The solution or clean water tank valve may be stuck. Hold the tank over the sink and press the valve underneath to release.
- The solution or clean water tank is empty. Refill the tank. **See Filling the solution tank/Filling the clean water tank page 7.**

Why won't the brushbars spin?

- The brushes will only spin when the machine is reclined.
- Check the brushbars are correctly fitted. **See Removing and cleaning the brushbars page 15.**
- Check the brushbars for blockages and clear. **See Removing and cleaning the brushbars page 15.**
- Check for damage to the brushbars.

Guarantee and technical

Guarantee

If a Vax machine is used in the way it is intended and it breaks down within the guarantee period, it's our responsibility to repair or replace it.

Here's what isn't covered:

- Functional parts, tools and accessories after 12 months that may suffer premature failure due to every day wear and tear.
- Consumables after 3 months such as belts, filters, brushbars, fuses etc.
- Accidental damage.
- Cosmetic damage that does not affect the functioning of the product.
- Damage as a result of use not in accordance with the user guide.
- Damage caused by not carrying out regular maintenance.
- Damage to the power cord.
- Blockages; please refer to the user guide.
- Poor product performance caused by:
 - Negligent use, misuse or careless operation of the machine.
 - Failure to clean or maintain the product in accordance with the user guide.
 - Use of the machine which is not in accordance with the user guide.
 - Use of a Vax product for anything other than normal domestic household purposes in the country in which it was purchased.
 - Use of parts, accessories and consumables, which are not genuine VAX components.
 - Faulty installation or repairs - unless carried out by a qualified electrician or engineer.

Making a claim?

If you wish to make a claim under your standard 1 year guarantee or extended guarantee, please contact us by visiting www.vax.co.uk/contact.

Technical

Statement of Compliance: Manufacturer/EU importer: Vax Limited, hereby on our own responsibility, declare that the **VAX Platinum SmartWash** is manufactured in compliance with the following Legislation:

Safety: 2014/35/EU Low Voltage Directives/Electrical Equipment (Safety) Regulations 2016. EMC: 2014/30/EU Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive/ Electromagnetic Compatibility Regulations 2016.



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Register now to claim your additional 5 year guarantee (6 years in total).

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1 **What you'll need**

Grab your machine and proof of purchase and keep them handy.

2 **Register**

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3 **Congratulations!**

You've now secured your total 6 year guarantee! (Keep an eye out for your confirmation email - you'll need to keep this safe).



Your guarantee is with Vax Limited. Please note that your statutory rights in relation to any VAX products will remain unaffected by these guarantees.

*All VAX products bought in the UK come with a standard 1 year guarantee from the date of purchase. Most VAX products are eligible for an "Additional Guarantee" by registering with Vax. Registration within 3 months from date of purchase is required to claim the additional guarantee and is subject to our terms and conditions (www.vax.co.uk/registration/guarantee-information).

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