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Model: 1716B

For effective spot and stain removal on carpets and upholstery.

1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Bissell Spotlifter Powerbrush Handheld Deep Cleaner, Model 1716B, is a compact and powerful device designed for quick and easy removal of spots and stains from carpets, rugs, and upholstery. It combines a rotating powerbrush, spray, and suction to effectively clean and dry surfaces in one step. Its corded design ensures continuous power for thorough cleaning tasks.



Figure 1: The Bissell Spotlifter Powerbrush Handheld Deep Cleaner. This image shows the overall design of the cleaner, highlighting its compact size and the attached power cord. The device is white with translucent blue water tanks and a black power cord.

2. IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

When using an electrical appliance, basic precautions should always be observed, including the following:

- Read all instructions before using your Spotlifter.
- Always connect to a properly grounded outlet.
- Do not leave appliance when plugged in. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before servicing.
- Do not allow to be used as a toy. Close attention is necessary when used by or near children.
- Use only as described in this manual. Use only manufacturer's recommended attachments.
- Do not use with damaged cord or plug. If appliance is not working as it should, has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors, or dropped into water, return it to a service center.
- Do not pull or carry by cord, use cord as a handle, close a door on cord, or pull cord around sharp edges or corners. Do not run appliance over cord. Keep cord away from heated surfaces.
- Do not unplug by pulling on cord. To unplug, grasp the plug, not the cord.
- Do not handle plug or appliance with wet hands.
- Do not put any object into openings. Do not use with any opening blocked; keep openings free of dust, lint, hair, and anything that may reduce air flow.
- Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers, and all parts of body away from openings and moving parts.
- Turn off all controls before unplugging.
- Use extra care when cleaning on stairs.
- Do not use to pick up flammable or combustible materials (lighter fluid, gasoline, kerosene, etc.) or use in areas

where they may be present.

- Do not use appliance in an enclosed space filled with vapors given off by oil base paint, paint thinner, mothproofing substances, flammable dust, or other explosive or toxic vapors.
- Do not use to pick up toxic material (chlorine bleach, ammonia, drain cleaner, etc.).
- Do not pick up anything that is burning or smoking, such as cigarettes, matches, or hot ashes.
- Do not use without filters in place.
- Do not use on hard or wet surfaces. This product is designed for carpet and upholstery.

3. WHAT'S IN THE BOX

Upon opening the packaging, please ensure all the following components are present:

- Bissell Spotlifter Powerbrush Handheld Deep Cleaner (Model 1716B)
- Power Cord
- Belt Cover Door
- Power Switch
- Trial Size 2X Little Green Formula (8-ounce starter bottle)

4. SETUP AND PREPARATION

Before using your Spotlifter, follow these steps to prepare the unit for cleaning:

1. **Fill the Clean Water Tank:** Locate the clean water tank, typically a translucent blue tank on the unit. Remove it by sliding it off the back end of the machine. Fill the tank with clean water up to the indicated fill line. For enhanced cleaning, add the recommended amount of Bissell cleaning formula (e.g., 2X Little Green Formula) to the tank as per the solution's instructions. Ensure the tank is securely reattached to the unit.



Figure 2: Filling the Clean Water Tank. This image illustrates the process of detaching and filling the clean water tank with water, ready for reattachment to the main unit.

2. **Check Dirty Water Tank:** Ensure the dirty water tank is empty and properly seated before beginning operation. This tank collects the dirty solution and debris during cleaning.

3. **Power Connection:** Unwind the 18-foot power cord and plug the cleaner into a grounded electrical outlet. The corded design provides continuous power for extended cleaning sessions.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The Bissell Spotlifter is designed for effective spot and stain removal. Follow these steps for optimal cleaning:

1. **Power On:** Turn on the power switch, usually located on the handle or body of the unit.
2. **Position the Cleaner:** Place the cleaning head of the Spotlifter directly over the spot or stain you wish to clean.



Figure 3: Spotlifter in Operation. This image demonstrates the cleaner positioned on a carpet, with its powerbrushes visible and ready to engage with the stained area.

3. **Spray Cleaning Solution:** Press the manual spray trigger to dispense the cleaning solution onto the stained area. Apply enough solution to cover the stain without oversaturating the fabric.
4. **Brush and Suction:** Move the cleaner slowly back and forth over the stain. The rotating powerbrush will agitate the fibers and loosen dirt, while the continuous suction will lift away the dirty solution and debris. Continue until the stain is removed and the area appears clean.
5. **Dry the Area:** After cleaning, make several passes over the treated area with the suction only (without pressing the spray trigger) to remove as much moisture as possible. This helps in faster drying.
6. **Power Off:** Once cleaning is complete, turn off the power switch and unplug the unit from the electrical outlet.

The Spotlifter is suitable for use on carpets, low pile carpets, stairs, and upholstery. Always test a small, inconspicuous area for colorfastness before full application.

6. MAINTENANCE AND CARE

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and optimal performance of your Bissell Spotlifter:

1. **Empty and Rinse Dirty Water Tank:** After each use, remove the dirty water tank. Empty the collected dirty solution and rinse the tank thoroughly with clean water. Allow it to air dry before reattaching.
2. **Clean Brush Roll:** The brush roll cartridge is removable for easy cleaning. Detach the brush roll and remove any

accumulated hair, lint, or debris. Rinse under running water if necessary. Ensure it is clean and free of obstructions before reinserting.



Figure 4: Removing the Brush Roll. This image shows how to easily detach the brush roll for cleaning, a crucial step in maintaining the cleaner's effectiveness.

3. **Wipe Down Exterior:** Use a soft, damp cloth to wipe down the exterior surfaces of the cleaner. Do not immerse the main unit in water.
4. **Store Properly:** Store the Spotlifter in a dry, safe place away from extreme temperatures. The power cord can be neatly wrapped for storage.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your Spotlifter, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Cleaner not turning on	Not plugged in; Power outlet not working; Circuit breaker tripped; Power switch off.	Ensure plug is firmly inserted into a working outlet. Check household circuit breaker. Turn power switch to ON position.
No spray or reduced spray	Clean water tank empty; Tank not seated properly; Spray nozzle clogged.	Refill clean water tank. Re-seat tank firmly. Check spray nozzle for blockages and clean if necessary.
Reduced suction	Dirty water tank full; Tank not seated properly; Suction nozzle blocked; Brush roll obstructed.	Empty dirty water tank. Re-seat tank firmly. Check suction nozzle for debris. Clean brush roll and surrounding area.
Brush roll not rotating	Brush roll obstructed by hair/debris; Belt broken.	Remove and clean brush roll. If belt is broken, contact customer support for replacement.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Number	1716B
Product Dimensions	18.5 x 9.8 x 7.4 inches
Item Weight	4 pounds
Power Rating	2 Amps
Power Cord Length	18 feet
Dirty Tank Capacity	12 ounces
Surface Type	Carpet, Low Pile Carpet, Stairs, Upholstery

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Warranty: The Bissell Spotlifter Powerbrush Handheld Deep Cleaner (Model 1716B) comes with a **1-year limited warranty** from the date of purchase. This warranty covers manufacturing defects and workmanship under normal household use. Please retain your original purchase receipt as proof of purchase.

Support: For technical assistance, troubleshooting beyond this manual, or to inquire about warranty claims, please contact Bissell Customer Service. Refer to the contact information provided in your product packaging or visit the official Bissell website for the most up-to-date support details.

Note: Unauthorized repairs or use of non-Bissell parts or cleaning solutions may void your warranty.

