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Model: Portapower

INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing the Hoover Commercial Portapower Lightweight Canister Cleaner. This compact and versatile vacuum cleaner is designed for efficient cleaning in various commercial settings. Weighing only 8.3 lbs, it offers portability and ease of use, making it ideal for workers on the move or cleaning multiple floors. Beyond its vacuuming capabilities, this unit also functions as a blower, providing additional utility. It features a reusable 3-layer commercial cloth bag and comes equipped with an 8-piece tool set to address diverse cleaning needs.



Image: The Hoover Commercial Portapower Lightweight Canister Cleaner, showcasing its compact design and included accessories.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

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

- **READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THIS APPLIANCE.**

- Always unplug the cleaner from the electrical outlet before servicing or cleaning.
- Do not leave the appliance when plugged in. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before servicing.
- Do not use outdoors or on wet surfaces.
- 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 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.
- Do not pick up anything that is burning or smoking, such as cigarettes, matches, or hot ashes.
- Do not use to pick up flammable or combustible liquids, such as gasoline, or use in areas where they may be present.
- Do not use without dust bag and/or filters in place.
- Turn off all controls before unplugging.
- Use extra care when cleaning on stairs.
- Do not use to pick up toxic material (chlorine bleach, ammonia, drain cleaner, etc.).

PACKAGE CONTENTS

Verify that all items listed below are included in your package:

- Hoover Commercial Portapower Canister Cleaner Unit
- Crevice Tool
- Wall/Floor Brush
- Dusting Brush
- Furniture Nozzle
- Rug/Floor Nozzle
- Two Chrome Wands
- Storage Strap
- Shoulder Strap
- Reusable 3-layer Commercial Cloth Bag (pre-installed or separate)
- Instruction Manual

SETUP

1. **Unpacking:** Carefully remove all components from the packaging. Retain packaging for future storage or transport if needed.
2. **Bag Installation/Check:** Ensure the reusable 3-layer commercial cloth bag is properly installed inside the canister. If using optional paper bags, install one according to the instructions on the bag.
3. **Attaching the Hose:** Insert the hose cuff firmly into the intake port on the front of the cleaner until it clicks into place.

4. Connecting Wands and Tools:

- Connect the two chrome wands together by twisting them until secure.
- Attach the desired cleaning tool (e.g., rug/floor nozzle, crevice tool) to the end of the wand assembly or directly to the hose handle.

5. **Shoulder Strap Attachment:** If desired for portability, attach the shoulder strap to the designated loops on the cleaner unit.

6. **Power Connection:** Plug the power cord into a standard 120V electrical outlet.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Vacuuming

1. Ensure the cleaner is properly assembled with the desired attachment.
2. Plug the power cord into a 120V outlet.
3. Press the power switch located on the unit to turn the cleaner ON.
4. Begin cleaning the desired surface. Use the rug/floor nozzle for carpets and hard floors, the crevice tool for tight spaces, and the dusting brush for delicate surfaces.
5. For cleaning stairs, the compact design allows the unit to fit on stair treads for convenience. Use the appropriate nozzle.
6. When finished, press the power switch to turn the cleaner OFF and unplug it from the outlet.

Blower Function

The Portapower cleaner can also be used as a blower.

1. Unplug the hose from the intake port.
2. Locate the blower port, typically on the rear or side of the unit.
3. Insert the hose cuff firmly into the blower port.
4. Attach the desired nozzle to the other end of the hose.
5. Plug in the power cord and turn the unit ON.
6. Direct the airflow as needed for blowing debris.
7. When finished, turn the unit OFF and unplug it. Remove the hose from the blower port.

MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures optimal performance and extends the life of your Hoover Portapower cleaner. Always unplug the unit before performing any maintenance.

Emptying and Cleaning the Cloth Bag

1. Unplug the cleaner from the electrical outlet.
2. Open the canister lid.
3. Carefully remove the reusable 3-layer commercial cloth bag.
4. Empty the contents into a waste receptacle.
5. Shake the bag gently to dislodge any remaining dust. For thorough cleaning, the cloth bag can be hand-washed with mild detergent and air-dried completely before reinstallation.
6. Reinstall the clean, dry cloth bag, ensuring it is properly seated.
7. Close the canister lid securely.

Filter Maintenance

Check filters regularly for dirt and debris. Clean or replace as necessary to maintain suction power.

Exterior Cleaning

Wipe the exterior of the cleaner with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use harsh cleaners or solvents.

Cord Care

Inspect the power cord regularly for damage. Do not use the cleaner if the cord is frayed or damaged. Store the cord neatly to prevent kinks and damage.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Cleaner does not turn on.	Not plugged in. No power at outlet. Power switch OFF.	Ensure plug is firmly in outlet. Check circuit breaker or fuse. Test outlet with another appliance. Press power switch to ON position.
Loss of suction.	Dust bag full. Hose or attachment clogged. Filter dirty. Hose not securely attached.	Empty and clean the cloth bag. Remove hose/attachments and clear any blockages. Clean or replace filters. Ensure hose is firmly connected to intake port.
Unusual noise.	Obstruction in fan or motor area. Loose part.	Turn off and unplug. Inspect for obstructions and remove carefully. If noise persists, contact customer service.

SPECIFICATIONS

Model Name	Portapower
Brand	Hoover
Motor Horsepower	2.2 hp (peak)
Voltage	120 V
Item Weight	8.3 lbs (Note: Source data listed 0.01 Ounces, which is inconsistent with product description. 8.3 lbs is used from description.)
Filter Type	Cloth (3-layer commercial)
Power Source	Corded Electric
Noise Level	80 Decibels

Included Components	Crevice tool, wall/floor brush, dusting brush, furniture nozzle, rug/floor nozzle, two chrome wands, storage strap, shoulder strap
Recommended Uses	Carpet, Hard Floor, Stairs
ASIN	B002FTQCCY
UPC/GTIN	073502029787

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information, technical support, or to purchase replacement parts, please contact Hoover Customer Service. Refer to the official Hoover website or your purchase documentation for the most current contact details and warranty terms applicable to your region.

You can typically find support information by visiting the official [Hoover website](#).