DEWALT DXV10S

DeWALT 10 Gallon Stainless Steel Wet/Dry Vac Instruction Manual

Model: DXV10S

1. Introduction

Thank you for choosing the DeWALT 10 Gallon Stainless Steel Wet/Dry Vac. This manual provides essential information for the safe operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your new vacuum cleaner. Please read this manual thoroughly before initial use and retain it for future reference.
This powerful and versatile wet/dry vacuum is designed for both professional and home use, offering robust suction for various cleaning applications, including wet spills, dry debris, and blowing functions.

2. Safety Information

WARNING: Read all safety warnings and instructions before operating this product. Failure to follow the warnings and instructions may result in electric shock, fire, and/or serious injury.

- Always wear safety glasses or goggles when operating.
- Do not leave the vacuum unattended when plugged in. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before servicing.
- Do not use with a damaged cord or plug. If the vacuum 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 vacuum over cord. Keep cord away from heated surfaces.
- Do not use to pick up flammable or combustible liquids, such as gasoline, or use in areas where they may be present.
- Do not pick up anything that is burning or smoking, such as cigarettes, matches, or hot ashes.
- Do not use without filter in place when dry vacuuming.
- Use extra care when cleaning on stairs.

- Do not use this vacuum for purposes other than those described in this manual.

3. Package Contents

Your DeWALT 10 Gallon Stainless Steel Wet/Dry Vac package should include the following items:

- 1 x Wet/Dry Vacuum Unit
- 1 x 1-7/8" x 7' Hose
- 2 x Extension Wands
- 1 x Cartridge Filter
- 1 x Dust Bag
- 1 x Floor Nozzle
- 1 x Utility Nozzle
- 1 x Crevice Nozzle



Image: The DeWALT 10 Gallon Stainless Steel Wet/Dry Vac shown with its full set of accessories, including the hose, extension wands, various nozzles, and filter/dust bag.

4. Setup

Follow these steps for initial assembly and preparation of your wet/dry vac:

1. **Unpacking:** Carefully remove all components from the packaging. Ensure all listed contents are present.
2. **Caster Installation:** Attach the swiveling casters to the base of the vacuum. These allow for easy movement.
3. **Filter Installation:** For dry vacuuming, ensure the cartridge filter is securely installed. For wet vacuuming, the cartridge filter should be removed.



Image: A person is shown installing the pleated cartridge filter into the top section of the DeWALT wet/dry vacuum, demonstrating the filter replacement process.

4. **Hose Attachment:** Connect the 1-7/8" x 7' hose to the vacuum's intake port. Ensure a snug fit for optimal suction.

5. **Accessory Attachment:** Select the appropriate nozzle or extension wand for your cleaning task and attach it to the end of the hose.

5. Operating Instructions

Your DeWALT wet/dry vac offers versatile cleaning modes:

5.1 Dry Vacuuming

- Ensure the cartridge filter is installed. A dust bag can also be used for finer dry debris.
- Plug the 10-foot power cord into a suitable electrical outlet.
- Press the large yellow ON/OFF switch located on top of the unit to power on the vacuum.
- Use the appropriate nozzle (e.g., floor nozzle for large areas, crevice nozzle for tight spaces) to clean dry debris.



Image: A person is actively vacuuming a wooden floor covered in sawdust and construction debris using the DeWALT wet/dry vacuum, demonstrating its dry pickup capability.

5.2 Wet Vacuuming

- **Important:** Remove the cartridge filter and any dust bag before wet vacuuming. The filter is designed for dry use only.
- Attach the hose and desired nozzle.
- Plug in the vacuum and turn it on.
- Carefully vacuum liquids. The tank has a maximum fill line; do not exceed it.

5.3 Blower Function

The vacuum can also be used as a powerful blower:

- Locate the blower port on the vacuum unit.
- Attach the hose to the blower port.
- Turn on the vacuum. Air will now exit through the hose, allowing you to blow away debris from workshops, garages, or outdoor areas.



Image: A person is shown connecting the vacuum hose to the blower port on the DeWALT wet/dry vacuum, preparing to use it for blowing debris.

6. Maintenance

Regular maintenance ensures optimal performance and extends the life of your vacuum.

6.1 Emptying the Tank

- For dry debris, unlatch the top motor assembly and lift it off. Carefully remove the dust bag (if used) and dispose of contents.
- For liquids, locate the built-in tank drain at the bottom of the unit. Open the drain to empty the liquid contents.

6.2 Filter Care

- The cartridge filter can be cleaned by gently tapping it to dislodge dust or by rinsing it with water. Allow it to air dry completely before reinstallation.
- Replace the filter when it becomes excessively dirty or damaged, as this can affect suction performance.

6.3 Accessory Storage

The vacuum features a convenient accessory storage bag attached to the backside of the unit. This helps keep all your accessories neatly organized and readily accessible.



Image: The DeWALT wet/dry vacuum is shown from the side, highlighting the integrated accessory storage bag attached to its rear, designed for convenient organization of tools.

6.4 Cord Storage

The 10-foot power cord can be neatly wrapped and stored on top of the unit, ensuring it remains tidy and out of the way when not in use.

7. Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues with your DeWALT wet/dry vac, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Vacuum does not turn on	No power to outlet; Power cord damaged; ON/OFF switch faulty	Check power outlet; Inspect cord for damage; Contact customer support if switch is faulty.
Low suction power	Clogged hose/nozzle; Full tank; Dirty/clogged filter; Loose connections	Clear obstructions; Empty tank; Clean/replace filter; Secure all connections.
Motor runs but no suction	Hose not connected to intake; Filter missing (wet vac); Tank lid not sealed properly	Ensure hose is in intake port; Install filter for dry use; Secure tank lid latches.
Water leaking from unit	Tank overfilled; Drain plug not sealed; Damaged tank	Do not exceed max fill line; Ensure drain plug is tight; Inspect tank for cracks.

If the problem persists after attempting these solutions, please contact DeWALT customer support.

8. Specifications

Feature	Detail
Brand	DEWALT
Model Name	DeWALT 10 Gallon Stainless Steel Wet/Dry Vac
Model Number	DXV10S
Capacity	10 Gallons
Motor Horsepower	5.0 Peak Horsepower
Wattage	268 watts
Voltage	120 volts
Hose Length	7 Feet (1-7/8" diameter)

Feature	Detail
Product Dimensions (L x W x H)	24.5" x 16.3" x 18.5"
Item Weight	18.74 pounds
Noise Level	80 dB
Filter Type	Cartridge
Special Features	Portable, Wet/Dry, Blower Function, Accessory Storage Bag, Tank Drain, Swiveling Casters
UPC	871613008468

9. Warranty and Support

For warranty information, technical support, or to purchase replacement parts and accessories, please visit the official DEWALT website or contact their customer service department. You can also visit the DEWALT Store on Amazon for more product information and support resources.
Please have your model number (DXV10S) and purchase date available when contacting support.

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