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Model: SC899H

INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your Sanitaire SC899H Tradition QuietClean Upright Vacuum. Please read this manual thoroughly before initial use and retain it for future reference.



Figure 1: Sanitaire SC899H Tradition QuietClean Upright Vacuum. This image shows the full upright vacuum cleaner in red with a chrome base and a long power cord.

SAFETY INFORMATION

Always follow basic safety precautions when using electrical appliances to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury.

- Read all instructions before using the vacuum cleaner.
- Do not leave the vacuum cleaner unattended 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 vacuum cleaner 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.
- Use extra care when cleaning on stairs.
- Do not use to pick up flammable or combustible liquids, such as gasoline, or use in areas where they may be present.
- Store the vacuum cleaner indoors.

SETUP AND ASSEMBLY

Your Sanitaire SC899H vacuum cleaner comes mostly pre-assembled. Follow these steps for final setup:

1. **Attach the Handle:** Insert the upper handle assembly into the lower handle tube until it clicks securely into place. Ensure the handle is firmly seated.
2. **Secure the Power Cord:** Wrap the 50-foot power cord around the cord hooks located on the handle. Ensure the cord is neatly wrapped to prevent tangling and damage during storage and use.
3. **Check the Bag:** Verify that the 18-quart shake-out bag is properly attached and secured to the vacuum's frame. Ensure there are no tears or openings that could compromise suction or filtration.
4. **Adjust Height Setting:** Locate the height adjustment knob on the front of the vacuum base. Rotate the knob to select the appropriate height setting for your floor type. Lower settings are for low-pile carpets, and higher settings are for thicker carpets or hard floors (though primarily designed for carpet).

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sanitaire SC899H is designed for efficient commercial cleaning. Follow these guidelines for optimal performance:

- **Power On/Off:** Plug the 50-foot power cord into a suitable electrical outlet. Locate the power switch on the vacuum's body or handle and flip it to the "ON" position to start the motor. Flip to "OFF" to stop.
- **Cleaning Path:** The vacuum features a 16-inch wide cleaning path, allowing for efficient coverage of large areas. Overlap passes slightly to ensure thorough cleaning.
- **Floor Type Adjustment:** Before operating, ensure the brushroll height is set correctly for the surface. An incorrect setting can reduce cleaning effectiveness or cause damage.
- **Maneuvering:** Push the vacuum forward and pull it back in a steady motion. The durable construction and robust motor are designed for continuous commercial use.
- **Cord Management:** Utilize the long 50-foot cord to minimize the need for frequent outlet changes, increasing productivity. Be mindful of the cord's position to avoid tripping hazards or running over it.

MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and optimal performance of your Sanitaire SC899H vacuum cleaner.

Emptying the Shake-Out Bag

The 18-quart shake-out bag is designed for high capacity and easy emptying, reducing downtime.

1. Unplug the vacuum cleaner from the power outlet.
2. Detach the shake-out bag from the vacuum.
3. Take the bag to a trash receptacle, preferably outdoors, and shake out the accumulated dirt and debris.
4. Reattach the bag securely to the vacuum cleaner.

Brushroll and Belt Inspection

Periodically inspect the chrome brushroll and its replaceable bristle strips, as well as the drive belt, for wear or damage.

- Unplug the vacuum.
- Turn the vacuum over to access the brushroll area.
- Remove any tangled hair, threads, or debris from the brushroll.
- Check the bristle strips for wear. Replace if they are significantly worn down.
- Inspect the drive belt for cracks, stretching, or breakage. Replace if necessary.

Quick Kleen Fan Chamber

The Quick Kleen fan chamber allows for easy diagnosis and clearing of clogs.

- If suction is reduced, unplug the vacuum.
- Access the Quick Kleen fan chamber (refer to diagram in a physical manual if available).
- Clear any obstructions from the fan chamber.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Before contacting customer service, try these common troubleshooting steps:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Vacuum will not start.	Not plugged in; Blown fuse/tripped circuit breaker; Power switch off.	Ensure plug is firmly in outlet; Check/replace fuse or reset breaker; Turn power switch to "ON".
Low suction or no suction.	Full shake-out bag; Clog in hose/fan chamber; Worn or broken belt; Worn brushroll bristles.	Empty bag; Clear clog; Replace belt; Replace brushroll bristles.
Brushroll not turning.	Broken or stretched belt; Debris wrapped around brushroll.	Replace belt; Remove debris from brushroll.
Vacuum is noisy.	Obstruction in fan chamber or hose; Worn motor bearings (less common).	Clear obstructions; Contact service center if noise persists.

SPECIFICATIONS

- **Model:** SC899H
- **Dimensions:** 13.75 x 16.5 x 45 inches
- **Weight:** 17 Pounds
- **Motor:** 7 Amp, 840 Watt, 145 CFM (Extended Life Motor)
- **Cleaning Path:** 16 inches
- **Bag Capacity:** 18-quart (Shake-Out Bag)
- **Cord Length:** 50 feet
- **Special Features:** Chrome hood, Quick Kleen fan chamber, Replaceable bristle strips.
- **Included Components:** Upright vacuum cleaner
- **Manufacturer:** Sanitaire
- **Country of Origin:** Mexico

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information or technical support, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official

Sanitaire website. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase for warranty claims.

For additional assistance, you may contact Sanitaire customer service directly. Contact details are typically available on the manufacturer's website or on the product packaging.