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Strex Extra Powerful Steam Cleaner User Manual

Model: SP286

1. Introduction

Thank you for choosing the Strex Extra Powerful Steam Cleaner, Model SP286. This versatile and efficient steam cleaner is designed to provide deep cleaning for a variety of surfaces, eliminating up to 99.9% of bacteria without the need for harsh chemicals. With its 1200W power and 4-bar steam pressure, it's ready for use in just 20 seconds, making your cleaning tasks easier and more effective.

Please read this manual thoroughly before operating the appliance to ensure safe and optimal performance. Keep this manual for future reference.



Image 1.1: The Strex Extra Powerful Steam Cleaner, Model SP286, shown with its various attachments and original packaging.

2. Important Safety Instructions

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and personal injury.

- Always ensure the power supply matches the voltage specified on the appliance.
- Do not immerse the appliance, power cord, or plug in water or other liquids.
- Keep the steam cleaner out of reach of children and pets.
- Never direct steam at people, animals, or electrical appliances.
- Use only cold tap water. Do not add detergents, perfumes, or other chemicals to the water tank, as this can damage the appliance and void the warranty.
- Unplug the appliance from the power outlet when not in use and before cleaning or maintenance.
- Allow the appliance to cool down completely before storing.
- Do not operate the appliance if the cord or plug is damaged, or if the appliance malfunctions or has been dropped

or damaged in any manner.

- Use only manufacturer-recommended attachments.
- Exercise extreme caution when cleaning stairs.

3. Product Components and Features

The Strex Steam Cleaner comes with several components designed for various cleaning tasks.



Image 3.1: Key features of the Strex Steam Cleaner, including its 1200W power, 20-second heat-up time, 350ml water tank capacity, 5-meter power cord, and the use of only tap water.

Included Accessories:

- Flexible hose
- Nozzle/Spray head
- Round brush
- Window/Glass cleaning tool

- Fabric steaming tool with cloth pad
- Measuring cup
- Funnel
- Angled nozzle
- Scraper tool



Image 3.2: The steam cleaner with its diverse attachments, suitable for cleaning windows, glass, stoves, countertops, furniture, clothing, fabrics, bathrooms, and sinks.

4. Setup and First Use

1. **Unpack:** Carefully remove all components from the packaging. Ensure all accessories listed in Section 3 are present.
2. **Fill Water Tank:** Unscrew the safety cap of the water tank. Use the provided measuring cup and funnel to fill the tank with up to 350ml of **cold tap water only**. Do not overfill.



Image 4.1: Demonstrating the quick and simple process of refilling the 350ml water tank.

3. **Secure Cap:** Screw the safety cap back on tightly.
4. **Attach Accessory:** Select the appropriate cleaning accessory for your task and securely attach it to the nozzle.
5. **Connect Power:** Plug the power cord into a grounded electrical outlet. The indicator light will illuminate, signaling that the unit is heating up.
6. **Heat-up Time:** The steam cleaner will be ready for use in approximately 20 seconds. The indicator light may change or turn off when ready, depending on the model.

5. Operating Instructions

General Operation:

1. Once the unit is heated, press and hold the steam trigger to release steam. For continuous steam, engage the steam lock button (if available).
2. Move the steam cleaner slowly over the surface to be cleaned. For stubborn dirt, hold the steam over the area for a few seconds.
3. Wipe the cleaned surface with a clean cloth if necessary.

4. When the water tank is empty, the steam production will stop. Unplug the unit and allow it to cool before refilling.



Image 5.1: The steam cleaner effectively removing dirt and bacteria from surfaces, such as carpet, without the need for additional cleaning agents.

Cleaning Different Surfaces:

The Strex Steam Cleaner is suitable for a wide range of surfaces. Always test on an inconspicuous area first.



Image 5.2: The steam cleaner is suitable for various surfaces including tiles, laminate, wood, stone, concrete, plastic, carpet, fabric, and metal.

- **Hard Floors (Tiles, Sealed Wood/Laminate, Stone):** Use the floor tool with a microfiber pad. Move steadily across the floor.
- **Carpets and Rugs:** Use the carpet glider attachment. This helps to refresh and deodorize carpets.
- **Windows and Mirrors:** Attach the window cleaning tool. Steam the surface, then use the squeegee to wipe clean.
- **Grout Lines:** Use the small round brush or angled nozzle for targeted cleaning.
- **Fabric and Upholstery:** Use the fabric steaming tool with a cloth pad. Hold the tool slightly away from the fabric and move it gently.
- **Kitchen Surfaces (Stoves, Countertops):** Use the small brush or angled nozzle for grease and grime.



Image 5.3: An example of the effective and fast cleaning capability, showing a 'before' and 'after' comparison of a dirty stove top.

6. Maintenance and Storage

Cleaning the Appliance:

- Always unplug the steam cleaner and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
- Wipe the exterior of the appliance with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or solvents.
- Empty any remaining water from the tank after each use.
- Clean accessories (brushes, pads) with water and mild soap, then rinse and air dry.

Descaling:

Over time, mineral deposits from tap water can build up inside the appliance. To maintain optimal performance, descaling is recommended every few months, or more frequently in areas with hard water.

1. Mix a solution of equal parts white vinegar and water.

2. Pour the solution into the water tank.
3. Allow it to sit for 30 minutes to an hour (do not heat).
4. Empty the solution and rinse the tank thoroughly with fresh water several times.
5. Fill with fresh water and operate the unit for a few minutes to flush out any remaining vinegar.

Storage:

Store the steam cleaner and its accessories in a cool, dry place, away from direct sunlight and out of reach of children.

7. Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
No steam or very little steam.	Water tank is empty. Appliance not heated sufficiently. Mineral buildup (scaling). Steam nozzle/attachment blocked.	Refill water tank. Wait 20 seconds for heat-up. Perform descaling procedure (see Section 6). Clean the nozzle/attachment.
Water leaking from nozzle.	Appliance not fully heated. Overfilled water tank. Condensation in hose/nozzle.	Allow more time to heat up. Do not overfill the tank. Point nozzle away and press trigger until only steam comes out.
Power indicator light not on.	Appliance not plugged in. Power outlet malfunction.	Ensure plug is securely inserted. Test with another appliance or outlet.

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

8. Technical Specifications

Brand:	Strex
Model Number:	SP286
Power:	1200 Watts
Steam Pressure:	4 bar / 0.4 MPa
Water Tank Capacity:	350 ml
Heat-up Time:	Approx. 20 seconds
Cable Length:	5 meters
Product Dimensions (L x W x H):	25 x 10 x 37 cm
Weight:	1 kg
Color:	White with Grey

Power Source:	Corded Electric



Image 8.1: Detailed view highlighting the ergonomic handle, steam lock feature, 5-meter cord length, and the 350ml water reservoir.



Image 8.2: Overview of the product packaging contents, including the steam cleaner, accessories, and manual, with key dimensions of the unit.

9. Warranty and Support

Warranty Information:

This Strex product is covered by a standard manufacturer's warranty. Please refer to the warranty card included in your product packaging for specific terms and conditions, including warranty period and coverage details. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase.

Customer Support:

For technical assistance, troubleshooting not covered in this manual, or warranty claims, please contact Strex customer support. Contact information can typically be found on the product packaging or the official Strex website. Please have your model number (SP286) and purchase details ready when contacting support.

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