

## DEWALT DXV12P-QTA

# DEWALT 12 Gallon STEALTHSONIC Ultra Quiet Poly Wet Dry Vacuum

Model: DXV12P-QTA

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

When using electrical appliances, always follow basic precautions to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and personal injury. Read all instructions before using this vacuum cleaner.

- Do not leave 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, carcinogenic, combustible or other hazardous materials such as asbestos, arsenic, barium, beryllium, lead, pesticides or other health endangering materials.

## WHAT'S IN THE BOX

Your DEWALT DXV12P-QTA Wet/Dry Vacuum package includes the following components:

- DEWALT Wet / Dry Vac x 1
- 2-1/2 in x 7 ft hose x 1
- Extension wand x 2
- Floor nozzle x 1
- Round brush x 1
- Accessory bag x 1
- Disposable dust bag x 1
- Utility nozzle x 1
- Washable cartridge filter x 1
- Crevice nozzle x 1
- Instruction Manual x 1

# INCLUDED ACCESSORIES

A. 1\*DXV12P-QTA, B. 1\*Foam Filter DXVA19-1600, C. 3\*Disposable Filter Bags DXVA19-4102, D. 1\*Washable Cartridge Filter - DXVC6910, E. 1\*Round brush DXVA08-2401, F. 1\*Crevice nozzle DXVA08-2506, G. 1\*Floor brush DXVA08-2591, H. 1\*Utility nozzle DXVA08-2503, I. 2\*Extension wand - DXVA08-2502, J. 1\*2-1/2" Hose - DXVA19-2556.



Figure 1: All included accessories for the DEWALT DXV12P-QTA Wet Dry Vacuum, including the main unit, hose, extension wands, various nozzles, filters, and accessory bag.



Figure 2: A visual representation of the various attachments included with the vacuum, designed to meet different cleaning needs.

## SETUP

Follow these steps to assemble your DEWALT Wet/Dry Vacuum and prepare it for use.

### 1. Attach Casters (Wheels)

The vacuum comes with heavy-duty swiveling casters for easy mobility. Securely attach them to the base of the vacuum according to the instructions provided in the included manual.



Figure 3: The DEWALT DXV12P-QTA Wet Dry Vacuum, illustrating its compact size and the placement of its swiveling casters for portability.

### 2. Install Filters

Depending on whether you are performing wet or dry vacuuming, you will need to install the appropriate filter. For dry vacuuming, use the washable cartridge filter. For wet vacuuming, a foam filter (sold separately or included in some kits) is typically used, or no filter if specified for certain wet applications. Ensure the filter is correctly seated to prevent damage to the motor.

### 3. Connect Hose and Accessories

Attach the 2-1/2 inch x 7 ft hose to the quick-connect locking vacuum port. Select the desired accessory (e.g., extension wands, floor nozzle, crevice nozzle, round brush, utility nozzle) and firmly attach it to the end of the hose.



**Figure 4:** Key components of the DEWALT DXV12P-QTA Wet Dry Vacuum, including the handle, large on/off switch, hose strap, quick connect locking vacuum port, accessory bag, drain port, and heavy-duty swiveling casters.

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**Video 1:** This video demonstrates the unboxing and initial assembly of the DEWALT DXV12P-QTA Wet Dry Vacuum, including attaching the casters and connecting the hose.

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The DEWALT DXV12P-QTA is designed for both wet and dry cleaning tasks, featuring STEALTHSONIC technology for quieter operation.

### 1. Dry Vacuuming

Ensure the cartridge filter is installed for dry debris collection. Connect the desired dry-use attachment (e.g.,

floor nozzle for large areas, crevice tool for tight spaces). Plug the vacuum into a suitable power outlet and turn on the large on/off switch. Begin vacuuming, moving the attachment over the area to be cleaned.

## 2. Wet Vacuuming

For wet pickup, remove the cartridge filter and install a foam filter (if available and recommended for your model) or ensure no dry filter is present. Connect a wet-use attachment (e.g., utility nozzle). Plug in the vacuum and turn it on. Guide the attachment over liquid spills to collect them. Do not overfill the tank; the vacuum has an automatic shut-off when full.

## 3. Using Attachments

The vacuum comes with a variety of attachments for different cleaning needs:

- **Floor Nozzle:** Ideal for general dry and wet pickup on large floor areas.
- **Crevice Nozzle:** Perfect for reaching into narrow spaces, corners, and between car seats.
- **Round Brush:** Suitable for dusting and cleaning irregular surfaces.
- **Utility Nozzle:** Versatile for various cleaning tasks, including wet pickup.
- **Extension Wands:** Extend your reach for floors, ceilings, or deep car interiors.



Figure 5: Close-up view of the round brush, crevice nozzle, and floor brush attachments, demonstrating their specific uses for

different cleaning scenarios.



**Figure 6:** The utility nozzle effectively cleaning a surface, highlighting its versatility for various tasks.

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**Video 2:** This video showcases the DEWALT Wet/Dry Vac's effectiveness for car cleaning and pet hair removal, demonstrating its powerful suction and various attachments in action.

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**Video 3:** A demonstration of the DEWALT STEALTHSONIC Ultra Quiet Wet/Dry Vac in use, highlighting its low noise level during operation.

## MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance ensures optimal performance and extends the life of your DEWALT Wet/Dry Vacuum.

### 1. Emptying the Tank

For wet pickup, the 12-gallon tank can be easily emptied using the built-in drain plug located at the bottom of the tank. For dry debris, unlatch the motor head and carefully lift it off, then dispose of the contents from the disposable dust bag or directly from the tank if not using a bag.



## **BUILT-IN DRAIN** **CONVENIENT EMPTYING OF LIQUIDS**

Figure 7: Close-up of the built-in drain plug, designed for convenient emptying of collected liquids from the vacuum tank.

### **2. Cleaning and Replacing Filters**

The washable cartridge filter can be cleaned by tapping off loose debris or rinsing with water. Allow it to air dry completely before reinstallation. Replace filters when they show signs of wear or reduced performance. For wet applications, ensure the foam filter is clean and properly installed, or removed if not required.

### **3. Hose and Accessory Storage**

The top handle and side wraps provide convenient organization for the hose and power cord. Store accessories in the included accessory bag to keep them readily available and prevent loss.

## **TROUBLESHOOTING**

If you encounter issues with your DEWALT Wet/Dry Vacuum, refer to the following common troubleshooting tips:

- **Loss of Suction:** Check for blockages in the hose or attachments. Ensure the tank is not full (especially during wet pickup). Verify that the filter is clean and correctly installed.
- **Motor Not Starting:** Confirm the power cord is securely plugged into a working outlet. Check the on/off switch for proper engagement. Ensure the motor head is securely latched onto the tank.
- **Unusual Noise:** Inspect for any foreign objects caught in the impeller or hose. Ensure all connections are tight.

For more detailed troubleshooting or issues not listed here, please consult the full instruction manual or contact DEWALT customer support.

## SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Specification
Brand	DEWALT
Model Name	DXV12P-QTA
Capacity	12 Gallons
Motor Horsepower	5.5 Peak Horsepower
Wattage	300 watts
Amperage	8 Amps
Noise Level	65 Decibels (STEALTHSONIC)
Maximum Suction	105 CFM (Cubic Feet per Minute)
Hose Length	7 Feet (2.1 meters)
Power Source	Corded Electric
Filter Type	Cartridge (Washable)
Product Dimensions	19.09"L x 26.65"W x 22.59"H
Item Weight	31.3 pounds
Special Features	Low Noise, Wet/Dry Capability, Wheels

# NOISE LEVEL DB(A)\*



**STEALTHSONIC**  
NEW QUIET TECHNOLOGY

**50% QUIETER™**



**SWEEPING**

50DB(A)

**STEALTHSONIC**

60DB(A)

**65DB(A)**

**STANDARD WET / DRY VACUUM**

70DB(A)

80DB(A)

\* Every 7dB(A) is a doubling in loudness.

\*\* According to OSHA Standards in terms of Occupational Noise Exposure.

\*\*\* Based on internal testing against DXV12P-QTA



**Figure 8:** A comparison of noise levels between the DEWALT STEALTHSONIC vacuum (approx. 65 dB) and a standard wet/dry vacuum (approx. 82 dB), highlighting the significant noise reduction.

## WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

DEWALT products are engineered to the highest standards and are backed by a comprehensive warranty. For specific warranty details, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official DEWALT website.

For technical assistance, replacement parts, or service, please contact DEWALT Customer Service. You can find contact information on the DEWALT website or in your product documentation.

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