

User guide.

IMPORTANT: Read carefully before assembly and use.

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# IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

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

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THIS STEAM CLEANER. THIS PRODUCT IS INTENDED FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY. IF USED COMMERCIALLY WARRANTY IS VOID.

# WARNING: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE, ELECTRIC SHOCK OR INJURY:

- Fully assemble before operating.
- Operate steam cleaner only at voltage specified on data label on back of steam cleaner.
- Do not leave steam cleaner when plugged in. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning or servicing.
- Do not use outdoors or store outdoors.
- Do not use for space heating purposes.
- Do not immerse in water.
- Do not allow to be used as a toy. Not intended for use by children age 12 and under. Close supervision is necessary when used near children. To avoid injury, burn, or damage, keep children away from product, and do not allow children to touch steam cleaner while in use or before completely cool, or to place fingers or other objects into any openings.
- Do not use any extension cord with this product.
- Do not handle the plug, or the Steam Mop with wet hands. Do not operate the Steam Mop without footwear.

- Do not place hands or feet under the Steam Mop while it is in operation as the steam cleaner gets very hot and may create a burn hazard.
- Use only on flat, horizontal surfaces. Do not use the Steam Mop on walls, counter tops or windows.
- To protect against a risk of electric shock, do not immerse the Steam Mop into water or any other liquids.
- Use only as described in this manual. Use only manufacturer's recommended attachments and products.
- Do not use with damaged cord or plug. If appliance is not work ing as it should, has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors, or dropped into water, call Customer Service at 1-800-944-9200 for instructions before continuing use.
- 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 place product on cord. Do not run steam cleaner 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 put any object into openings. Do not use with any opening blocked.
- Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers, and all parts of body away from openings.
- Turn off all controls before unplugging.
- Use extra care when cleaning on stairs. When not in use do not place steam cleaner on stairs or furniture, as it may result in injury or damage.
- To avoid burn or injury, do not apply steam directly to any person or animal.

- Only use water to refill the water tank. Do not use any type of chemicals or additives in the water tank.
- Do not add descaling, aromatic, alcoholic products, cleaning solutions, scented perfumes, oils or any other chemicals to the water used in this steam cleaner as this may damage the steam cleaner or make it unsafe for use. While this Steam Mop is designed for tap water, to increase effectiveness of the steam and to avoid build up of minerals, you may use distilled water to fill Steam Mop.
- Do not use Steam Mop in an enclosed space filled with vapor given off by oil-based paint, paint thinners, some moth proofing substances, flammable dust, or other explosive or toxic vapors.
- When in use, never turn the steam cleaner over or use while on its side.
- Allow Steam Mop sufficient time to cool prior to removing the microfiber pad.
- Before cleaning the Steam Mop, unplug the power cord from the electrical outlet and clean with a dry or damp cloth. Do not pour water or use alcohol, benzene or paint thinner on the steam cleaner.
- Do not use in areas where flammable or combustible liquids, such as gasoline may be present.
- Do not use without microfiber pad properly attached to mophead.
- Do not clean over floor electrical outlets.
- Do not use the Steam Mop on leather, wax polished furniture or floors, synthetic fabrics, velvet or other delicate, steam sensitive materials.

- Use only Hoover 4X Steam Multi-Floor Cleaning Solution.
- Do not operate Steam Mop without water in water tank.
- Unplug Steam mop from outlet before filling, rinsing or cleaning.
   Do not fill water reservoir with more than recommended amount of water.
   Do not fill detergent reservoir with more than recommended amount of detergent and water.

WARNING: This product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or reproductive harm. WASH HANDS AFTER HANDLING.

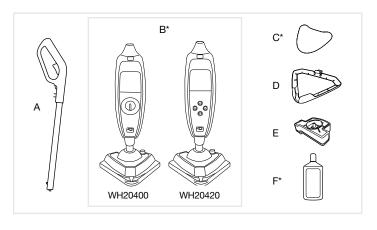
#### **CAUTION:** TO REDUCE THE RISK OF DAMAGE:

- Check and follow flooring manufacturers warranty and recommendations regarding the use of steam mops PRIOR to using this product on your floors and carpets.
- Store appropriately indoors in a dry place. Do not expose machine to freezing temperatures.
- Never use Steam Mop without microfiber pad attached.
- Never leave Steam Mop in one spot or on any surface for any period of time when pump is turned on and steam is activated.

#### WARNING:

TO REDUCE THE RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK, THIS APPLIANCE HAS A POLARIZED PLUG (ONE BLADE IS WIDER THAN THE OTHER). THIS PLUG WILL FIT IN A POLARIZED OUTLET ONLY ONE WAY. IF THE PLUG DOES NOT FIT FULLY IN THE OUTLET, REVERSE THE PLUG. IF IT STILL DOES NOT FIT, CONTACT A QUALIFIED ELECTRICAN TO INSTALL THE PROPER OUTLET. DO NOT CHANGE THE PLUG IN ANY WAY.

# Getting started with your steam mop:



#### **CARTON CONTENTS**

- A. Handle
- B. Steam Mop Body\* (Water Tank and Solution Tank attached)
- C. Multi-Surface Microfiber Pad (x2)\* (quantities vary per model)
- D. Carpet Glider
- E. Water Filter (Pre-assembled in steam cleaner, remove water tank to expose filter)
- F. 8 oz 4X Steam Multi-floor Cleaning Solution\*

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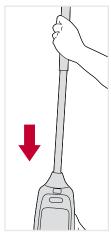
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\*Varies per model

# **Attach handle:**



Insert main body down into floor head until it clicks into place.



2 Insert the handle into main body until it clicks into place.



To stand steam mop upright push handle until clicks into place.

# **Cord storage:**



Wrap cord around cord release hooks.

# Attach microfiber pad:

#### A WARNING A

To reduce the risk of personal injury -Unplug the steam cleaner when assembling the accessories.

#### IMPORTANT •

Never use the Steam Mop without the Microfiber Pad correctly attached to the Mop Head.

The "Multi-Surface Microfiber Pad" can be used on all sealed hard floor surfaces as well as carpet. When using on carpet the carpet glider attachment should be utilized as directed in the "Refreshing Carpet" section of this manual.



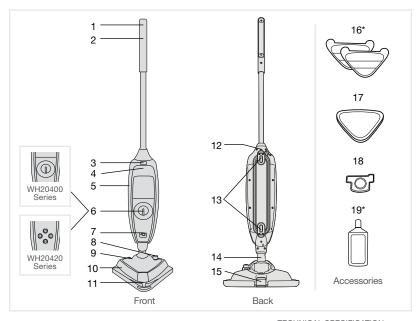
Place the cleaning pad on the floor white side facing up. Place steam mop on top of pad making sure the Mop Head covers the entire pad. Hook and loop feature on the bottom of the mop will hold the pad in place.

### How to use:

- 1. Handle
- 2. Solution Trigger (behind)
- 3. Twin Tank release button
- 4. Twin Tank
- 5. Hard Water Filter (behind)
- Steam and Solution Dial or Control Panel\*
- 7. On/Off Switch
- 8. SteamStream™ Button
- 9. Compact Scrub Brush (beneath)
- 10. Floorhead
- 11. SteamSteam™ Nozzle
- 12. Handle Release Button
- 13. Quick Cord Release Hook
- 14. Floorhead release button
- 15. Carpet Glider

#### Accessories

- 16. Multi-Surface Microfiber Pad\*
- 17. Carpet Glider
- 18. Water Filter (Pre-assembled in steam cleaner, remove tank to expose filter)
- 19. Cleaning Solution\*



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION
Model Number: WH20400/WH20420
Input Power: AC 120V / 60Hz / 10A

<sup>\*</sup>Quantity varies per model

# Before you begin cleaning:

#### Filling the twin tanks

## **A** WARNING **A**

To reduce the risk of personal injury -Unplug the steam cleaner when filling the water and solution tanks.

Do not use hot or boiling water to fill water tank.

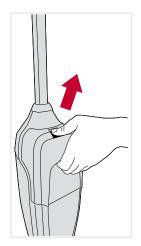
#### IMPORTANT •

DO NOT MIX HOOVER® 4X STEAM MULTI-FLOOR CLEANING SOLUTION WITH ANY OTHER CLEANING SOLUTION.

#### • IMPORTANT •

If you don't want to use detergent on your flooring, Select "STEAM ONLY" setting.

Always test on an inconspicuous area of flooring first before using detergent.



Locate the water tank on the front of the Steam Mop and press the release button on top of the tank.

#### • IMPORTANT •

DO NOT ADD SOLUTION TO WATER TANK.

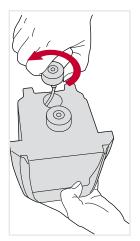
NOTE: When the tank is turned upright it may allow a few drops to drip from cap. This is normal.



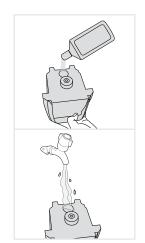
Twist the cap counter clockwise to remove.



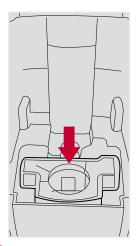
Fill the water tank to fill line. Replace the water cap, and twist clockwise until secure.



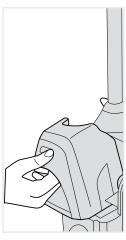
Twist the solution cap counter-clockwise to remove.



Pour solution to the solution fill line. Then fill remainder with water: See tank fill lines for reference.



Before replacing the twin tank make sure the hard water filter is in place.



Align the twin tank and push until it clicks into place.

- The steam mop and accessories get very hot during use, always allow them to cool down before handling.
- · Always unplug and switch off the steam mop when assembling.
- Always switch off the steam mop and allow to cool before emptying the water tank or changing the cleaning pads/ accessories.
- IMPORTANT: Please refer to floor manufacturer's care recommendations before use and test the steam mop on a discrete area of flooring to begin with.
- When using the steam mop, basic safety precautions should always be observed.

- Don't aim the steam mop at people, animals, plants and electrical components such as interior of ovens or wires. Never touch the steam spray or floor head from a short distance. (There is a risk of scalding)
- The steam mop is equipped with a thermostat and a thermal cutout. If for any reason the steam mop overheats it will switch off. If this happens turn off and unplug the steam mop, allow to cool for a least 2 to 4 hours and re-start.

# **Using your machine:**



#### WARNING **A**



Never leave the Steam Mop in one spot on any surface for an extended period of time with a damp or wet Microfiber pad attached as this may damage the floor surface.

When cleaning hard floors, your Steam Mop should only be used on tiles, linoleum, sealed hardwood flooring, engineered hardwood, laminate, vinyl, and sealed stone floors. If used on waxed flooring, you may experience loss of glossiness. To reduce the risk of personal injury. unplug the steam cleaner when assembling the accessories.

> Do not clean over floor electrical outlets.

Do not use steam cleaner or press the Steam Trigger without water in the water tank.

#### IMPORTANT •

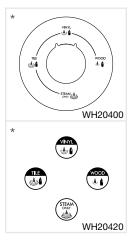
Never use the Steam Mop without the Microfiber pad properly attached to the Mop Head.



Plug into outlet and slide switch to ON (I=ON) position. The red light will illuminate to show power on. The blue light will illuminate to show the steam mop is ready to use. To turn OFF slide switch to OFF (O=OFF) position.

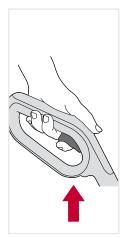


To recline the steam mop place your foot onto the floor head and pull handle backwards.



To steam your floors WITHOUT solution select the Steam Only setting. To steam floors WITH solution select tile, vinvl or wood.

\*Varies per model



To produce steam, squeeze the trigger. To prevent over wetting floors avoid holding the trigger continuously.



Move the steam mop slowly backwards and forwards across the floor paying particular attention to high traffic areas. Squeeze/release trigger as required.



To engage SteamStream™ from the front nozzle press the SteamStream™ button to activate and squeeze the trigger to release steam. Press the SteamStream™ button to turn OFF (0=OFF).

# TO SANITIZE HARD SURFACES

Select the "STEAM ONLY" setting.

Connect the microfiber pad and run a minimum of 6 strokes at a medium pace (5-7 seconds per 32" stroke) across same area. Allow to dry.

# **Refreshing carpets:**

#### ▲ WARNING ▲

Do not clean over floor electrical outlets.

Do not use steam cleaner or press the Steam

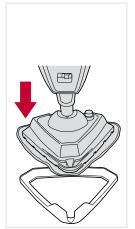
Trigger without water in the water tank.

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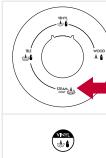
When using on carpets, always ensure the multi-surface microfiber pad and carpet glider are properly attached to the Mop Head.



Place the microfiber pad on the floor white side facing up. Place steam mop onto pad making sure the entire pad covers the floor head.



With microfiber pad attached, hook steam mop into the front of the carpet glider and push to clip into place. Carpet glider should only be used when refreshing carpets.

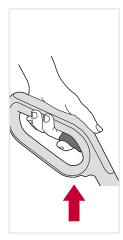




Select the Steam only setting\*.

To recline the steam mop place foot on floor head and pull handle backwards.

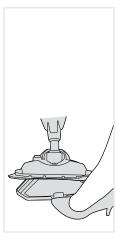
\*Varies per model



To produce steam, squeeze the trigger. To prevent over wetting floors avoid holding the trigger continuously.



Move the steam mop slowly backwards and forwards across the floor paying particular attention to high traffic areas.



To remove carpet glider push down on clip and lift steam mop.

# Using tile and grout scrub brush and SteamStream™:

#### WARNING A



Do not clean over floor electrical outlets.

Do not use steam cleaner or press the Steam Trigger without water in the water tank.



#### WARNING



Scrub brush bristles may damage wood floors

#### IMPORTANT •

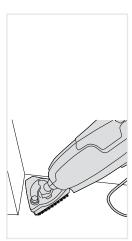
Always switch off the steam mop before attaching or removing the floor head.

#### • IMPORTANT •

Scrub brush only recommended for tile and grout cleaning only.



Place foot on outer floor head and gently pull away steam mop to release the tile and grout scrub brush\* or compact scrub brush\*.



Move steam mop back and forwards across the floor, getting into corners and awkward places.



To engage SteamStream™ from the front nozzle press the SteamStream™ button to activate and squeeze the trigger to release steam. Press the SteamStream™ button to turn OFF (0=OFF).

<sup>\*</sup>Varies per model

# **Maintenance:**

If steam cleaner is not working as it should, has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors, or dropped into water, call Customer Service at 1-800-944-9200 for further instruction before continuing use.

This steam cleaner contains no user serviceable parts. Do not try to repair it yourself.

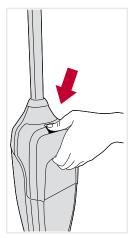
#### IMPORTANT •

Allow the steam mop to fully cool down before performing any maintenance or troubleshooting checks.

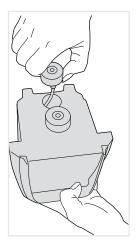
#### • IMPORTANT •

Never use bleach or fabric softener when washing the pad.

#### **Emptying the twin tank**



Press the twin tank release button and lift the twin tank by the handle.



Twist caps counterclockwise and lift to remove.



Empty any excess fluid over the sink, replace caps and turn clockwise to tighten.

#### Removing cleaning pads



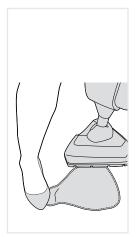
#### WARNING **A**



To reduce the risk of personal injury -Unplug Steam Mop before servicing and allow to cool.

#### • IMPORTANT •

Never use bleach or fabric softener when washing the pad.



Hold corner of pad down with foot and lift steam mop to peel away.



**HOW TO CLEAN** All cleaning pads are machine washable on WARM setting. For best results lay flat to dry. Allow to fully dry before use.

#### Replacing the hard water filter

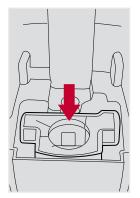
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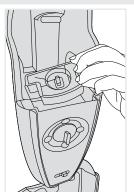
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#### IMPORTANT •

The condition of the filter affects the performance of your machine. Check and change filter (depending on level of use and water conditions in your area). Do not operate Steam Mop without Water Filter in place.



Remove twin tank to access the hard water filter.



Lift to remove the hard water filter.



New filter - (beige/ cream color).



Hard water filter should be replaced every 6-8 months old or discolored and darkened.

#### WHAT TO BUY

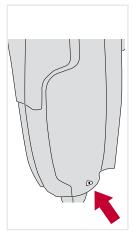
Contact a HOOVER® customer service representative at 1-800-944-9200 for replacement details: Part# 440001633 or visit www.hoover.com.

#### **Clearing Blockages**

#### WARNING **A**



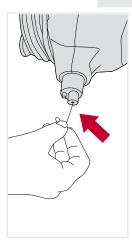
To reduce the risk of personal injury -Unplug Steam Mop before servicing and allow to cool.



If there is an obstruction to the steam flow through the machine, steam may be released through the bleed valve.



To remove the floor head from main body push the plastic clip and lift.



After floor head is removed, using a thin object such as a paper-clip (in the area shown), insert to remove the blockage.



Remove cleaning pad and inspect steam mop base for blockages. If a blockage can be seen use a small thin object such as a paper-clip insert to remove.

# **Need Help?**

If you need further assistance:

If your product needs servicing within the warranty period, please contact Customer Service at 1-800-944-9200; Mon-Fri 8am-7pm EST. Always identify your steam cleaner by the complete model number when requesting information or ordering parts. (The model number of the steam cleaner is located on the data plate)

PLEASE DO NOT RETURN THIS STEAM CLEANER TO THE STORE.

# **Storage:**

- Unplug the power cord.
- Allow time to cool.
- Empty the residual fluid from the twin tank and clean the external surface with a dry cloth. Allow to dry.
- · Re-install twin tank.
- You may leave solution in solution tank for short period of time, but if you are going to leave solution in tank for more than 2 weeks, it is recommended to empty the solution tank.

#### **QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?**

Contact Us:

(800) 944-9200

For a Complete Troubleshooting Guide, see:

Twitter: @HooverUSA

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**Do not return to store.** See back of product for model number.

# **Troubleshooting:**

This Steam Cleaner contains no user serviceable parts. Do not try to repair it yourself.

USE TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE AS A FIRST STEP TO RESOLVE ANY PROBLEMS YOU MAY BE EXPERIENCING.

If steam cleaner is not working as it should, has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors, or dropped into water, call Customer Service at 1-800-944-9200 for further instruction before continuing use.

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	POSSIBLE SOLUTION
Steam Mop	No voltage in wall plug.	Check fuse or breaker in home.
won't run	2. Blown fuse or tripped breaker.	2. Replace fuse or reset breaker in home.
	3. Steam cleaner may not be plugged into the electrical outlet correctly.	3. Ensure the plug is pushed in securely.
	4. The electrical outlet may not be working properly, check the fuse or breaker, or consult an electrician.	Check fuse or breaker in home. Replace fuse/reset breaker in home.
	5. The power cord may be damaged.	5. If cord is damaged have it replaced by an authorized service representative.
	6. Does not turn On.	6. Check the On/Off switch to make sure it is in the On position.
Steam mop not	1. Twin tank may be empty.	1. Please refer to the "Filling Twin Tanks" section.
roducing steam	2. The twin tank may not be attached correctly.	2. Please refer to the "Filling Twin Tanks" section, and ensure tank is fully seated.
	3. Water Filter may be clogged and needs to be replaced.	3. Check Water Filter and clean or replace.
	4. Thermal protector may turn off pump if trying to operate steam cleaner before steam indicator is illuminated.	4. Unplug steam cleaner and allow to cool down
	5. Steam path may be blocked.	5. Please refer to the "Clearing Blockages" section.
Microfiber pad doesn't pick up dirt	The cleaning pad may already be saturated with dirt and needs washing.	Wash or replace with clean pad. Please refer to the "Removing Cleaning Pads" section.

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#### WARNING



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#### **SERVICE & WARRANTY**

#### SERVICE INFORMATION

ANY SERVICING SHOULD BE DONE BY AN AUTHORIZED SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE Call 1-800-944-9200 USA & Canada

In the event that further assistance is required, visit an authorized service center. Find one

nearest you by visiting our website at www.hoover.com. Costs of any transportation to and from any place of repair are to be paid by the owner. Always identify your product by the model number and manufacturing code when requesting information or ordering replacement parts. (The model number and manufacturing code are on the back of the product)

# LIMITED ONE YEAR WARRANTY (DOMESTIC USE) WHAT THIS WARRANTY COVERS

When used and maintained in normal household use and in accordance with the Owner's Manual, your HOOVER® product is warranted against original defects in material and workmanship for a full one year from date of purchase (the "Warranty Period"). During the Warranty Period, Hoover® will provide labor and parts, at no cost to you, to correct any such defect in products purchased in the United States, U.S. Military Exchanges and Canada.

#### **HOW TO MAKE A WARRANTY CLAIM**

If this product is not as warranted, take or send the product to either a Hoover® Sales and Service Center or Hoover® Authorized Warranty Service Dealer along with proof of purchase. For an automated referral to authorized service outlets in the U.S.A., phone: 1-800-944-9200 OR visit Hoover® online at www.hoover.com. For additional assistance or information concerning this Warranty or the availability of warranty service outlets, phone the Hoover® Consumer Response Center, Phone 1-800-944-9200, Mon-Fri 8am-7pm EST. In Canada, contact Hoover® Canada, Carson Building, 100 Carson St., Etobicoke, Ontario M8W 3R9, Phone: 1-800-944-9200, Mon-Fri 8am-7pm EST.

#### WHAT THIS WARRANTY DOES NOT COVER

This Warranty does not cover: use of the product in a commercial operation (such as maid, janitorial and equipment rental services), improper

maintenance of the product, damage due to misuse, acts of God, nature, vandalism or other acts beyond the control of Hoover®, owner's acts or omissions, use outside the country in which the product was initially purchased and resales of the product by the original owner. This warranty does not cover pick up, delivery, transportation or house calls. However, if you mail your product to a Hoover® Sales and Service Center for warranty service, cost of shipping will be paid one way.

This warranty does not apply to products purchased outside the United States, including its territories and possessions, outside a U.S. Military Exchange and outside of Canada. This warranty does not cover products purchased from a party that is not an authorized retailer, dealer, or distributor of Hoover® products.

#### OTHER IMPORTANT TERMS

This Warranty is not transferable and may not be assigned. This Warranty shall be governed and construed under the laws of the state of Ohio. The Warranty Period will not be extended by any replacement or repair performed under this Warranty.

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