

Thanks for buying a BISSELL Lift-Off®

We're glad you purchased a BISSELL Lift-Off Vacuum. Everything we know about floor care went into the design and construction of this powerful, high-tech home vacuuming system.

Your BISSELL Lift-Off is well made, and we back it with a limited comprehensive one-year warranty. We also stand behind it with a knowledgeable, dedicated Consumer Services department, so, should you ever have a problem, you'll receive fast, considerate assistance.

My great-grandfather invented the floor sweeper in 1876. Today, BISSELL is a global leader in the design, manufacture, and service of high quality homecare products like your BISSELL Lift-Off.

Thanks again, from all of us at BISSELL.

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Mark J. Bissell President and Chief Executive Officer

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

When using an electrical appliance, basic precautions should be observed, including the following:

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING YOUR UPRIGHT VACUUM.

Always connect to a polarized outlet (left slot is wider than right). Unplug from outlet when not in use and before conducting maintenance.

WARNING: To reduce the risk of • Do not pick up toxic material (chlorine fire, electric shock, or injury:

- Do not modify the polarized plug to fit a non-polarized outlet or extension cord.
- Do not leave vacuum cleaner unattended when it is plugged in.
- Unplug from outlet when not in use and before servicing.
- Do not use outdoors or on wet surfaces.
- Do not allow children to operate vacuum cleaner or use as a toy.
- Close attention is necessary when used by or near children.
- Do not use for any purpose other than described in this User's Guide.
- 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, have it repaired at an authorized 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 vacuum cleaner or plug with wet hands.
- Do not put any object into openings. Do not use with any opening blocked; keep openings 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.
- Turn off all controls before plugging or unplugging vacuum cleaner.
- Use extra care when cleaning stairs.
- Unplug before attaching the turbo brush.
- Do not pick up flammable materials (lighter fluid, gasoline, kerosene, etc.) or use in the presence of explosive liquids or vapors.
- bleach, ammonia, drain cleaner, etc.).
- Do not use vacuum cleaner in an enclosed space filled with vapors given off by oil base paint, paint thinner, some moth proofing substances, flammable dust, or other explosive or toxic vapors.
- Do not pick up hard or sharp objects such as glass, nails, screws, coins, etc.
- Do not pick up anything that is burning or smoking, such as cigarettes, matches, or hot ashes.
- Do not use without filters in place.
- Use only on dry, indoor surfaces.
- Keep appliance on a level surface.

WARNING: The Power Cord on this product contains lead, a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm. WASH HANDS AFTER HANDLING.

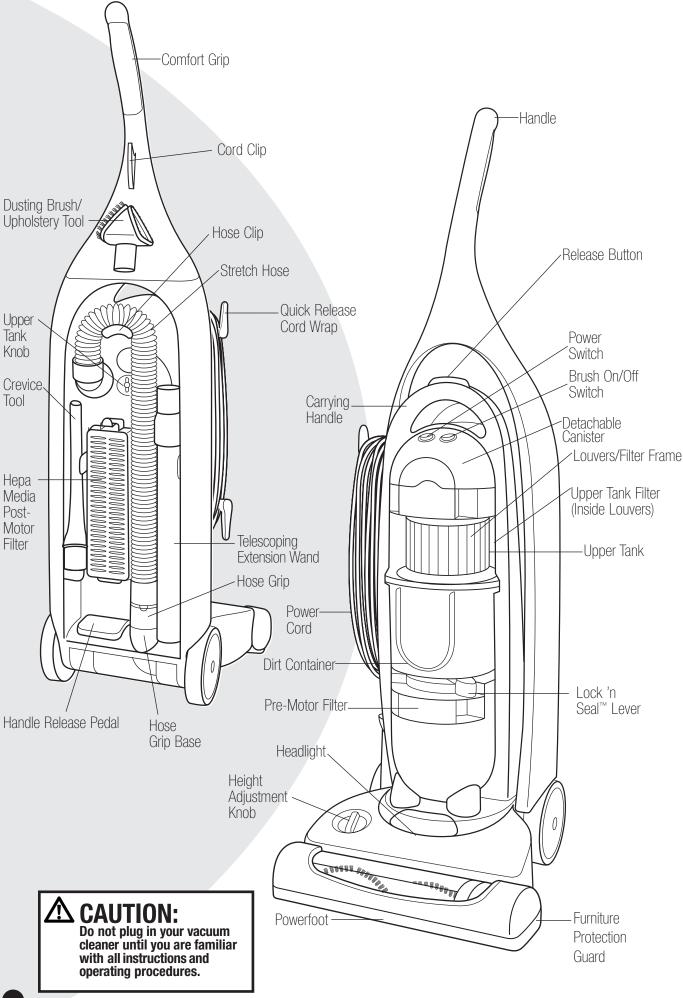
SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS FOR FUTURE USE.

THIS APPLIANCE HAS A POLARIZED PLUG.

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 electrician to install a proper outlet. Do not change the plug in any way.

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This model is for household use only.



How To Use This Guide

This User's Guide has been designed to help you get the most satisfaction from your BISSELL Lift-Off. You'll find assembly and operating instructions, safety precautions, as well as maintenance and troubleshooting instructions. Please read this Guide thoroughly before assembling your vacuum cleaner.

Pay particular attention to the product diagram, assembly instructions, and part names. Locate and organize all parts before assembly. Familiarize yourself with the parts and where they fit. Following this User's Guide will greatly enhance your ability to get the most performance from your BISSELL Lift-Off for many years.

How To Put It Together

The only tool you'll need to assemble your vacuum cleaner is a screwdriver.

Attach Handle To Vacuum



Locate the vacuum Handle and remove the screw packet taped to the base of the Handle.



Stand the vacuum upright and slide the base of the Handle firmly into the grooves at the top of the vacuum body.



Check to be sure the Handle is fitted to the vacuum body. If there is a gap in front, continue to push firmly until the Handle is flush.



Insert two of the screws from the screw packet into the existing holes. Tighten securely with a screwdriver.

Attach Vacuum Hose and Tools



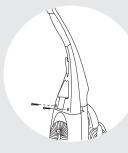
Position the Hose Assembly on the back of the canister as shown.

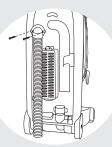


Attach the Hose with the remaining two screws from the packet. Tighten securely with a screwdriver.

WARNING: Plastic film can be dangerous. To avoid danger of suffocation, keep away from babies and children.







Attach Vacuum Hose and Tools Continued



Slide the end of the Hose Grip onto the Hose Grip Base. Place the Hose into the Hose Clip.

NOTE: The Powerfoot will not operate effectively unless the Hose is firmly attached to the base.



Snap the Telescoping Extension Wand, Crevice Tool, and Combination Tool into the storage clips as shown.

How To Use Your BISSELL Lift-Off

Power Cord Quick Release

The Power Cord is stored at the side of the Detachable Canister, wrapped around two Cord Wraps. A molded clip on the polarized plug allows it to be fastened to the Power Cord during storage.



Unclip polarized plug from Power Cord.

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Rotate the Upper Cord Wrap toward floor and slip the Power Cord off.



Plug the polarized plug into a polarized outlet.

To keep the Power Cord out of your way while cleaning, place it in the Cord Clip, located near the top of the Handle.

Power Switch/Brush Switch

The Power Switch is located just below the handle on the front of the Detachable Canister. Push the rocker switch "ON" (I) to vacuum, and "OFF" (O) when cleaning is complete.

The Brush Switch is located just below the handle on the front of the Detachable Canister next to the Power Switch. This switch turns the Rotating Brush on and off. The Brush Switch should be in the "ON" (I) position for normal carpet cleaning. You may want to turn the Brush Switch "OFF" (O) for bare floor cleaning or other delicate surfaces.

Note: Your BISSELL Lift Off vacuum is equipped with a special internal switch that turns the Rotating Brush off whenever the unit is in the Upright position.

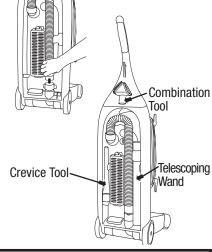
Handle Positions



Upright – For storage and above floor cleaning with tools.



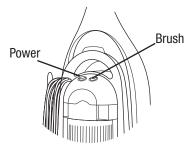
Normal Cleaning – Press the Handle Release Pedal with your foot to recline.



▲ CAUTION:

Before using your vacuum, make sure that the Dirt Container and Upper Tank are in locked position and that all filters (Upper Tank, Pre-Motor and Post-Motor) are in place. Do not operate your vacuum without these filters.







Power Height Adjustment

The Powerfoot on your BISSELL Lift-Off can be adjusted to clean several floor surfaces.

NOTE: For optimal cleaning performance, adjust to the lowest practical setting. If your cleaner is difficult to push, adjust to the next higher setting.



Place Handle in Upright Position.



Turn Height Adjustment Knob to desired setting.

Lowest Setting – For bare floors. Medium Settings – For short and medium pile carpets. Highest Setting – For plush pile carpet.

NOTE: You may also adjust the setting while in the Normal Cleaning Position.

Special Tools

Your BISSELL Lift-Off is not only a powerful floor vacuum cleaner, it's also a versatile stairs and above floor vacuum when you select one of the special tools.

Note: The tools can be used with the vacuum in the Upright Position or with the Detachable Canister.



Detach the Vacuum Hose by grasping the Hose Grip and lifting to separate from the Hose Grip Base.



Attach tools by firmly pushing onto Vacuum Hose or Telescoping Extension Wand.

Combination Dusting Brush/Upholstery Tool:

Two types of cleaning tools are included in one attachment: rotate for desired tool.

- Use Brush side to dust furniture, blinds, books, lamps, shelves, and baseboards.
- Use Upholstery side for curtains, draperies, cushions, fabrics.

Crevice Tool:

Use in tight narrow spaces.

Stair Cleaning Tool:

Use for stairs, area rugs, and other small carpeted areas. This tool can also be used for **bare floors**.

Telescoping Extension Wand:

Use with desired attachment for a longer reach. To extend the Wand, twist the collar to "Unlock" position and push away from you. Twist the collar to the "Lock" position to lock into place. To retract, twist to unlock, pull toward you and twist to relock.

All items may not be included with your model. More tools are available; to order please refer to page 15.



Before cleaning under low furniture, check area first for objects that might harm the unit or block the Vacuum Hose.







A CAUTION:

Always place vacuum cleaner on floor in its fully Upright Position and make sure it is locked into place before removing Canister or when using tools. Placing the Lift Off in its full Upright Position <u>automatically stops the</u> rotating brush.

Cleaning With The Detachable Canister

The Detachable Canister feature makes it possible to easily take the powerful cleaning action of your BISSELL Lift-Off to stairways, auto interiors, and other hard-to-reach areas of your home.

Before detaching the Canister, your Lift-Off must be in its fully Upright Position. You do not need to turn off the power first.



Press the Release Button at the top of the Canister Handle and lift the Canister to remove.



Detach the Vacuum Hose from the Hose Grip Base at the back of the Canister.



Attach the desired tool(s) to the Hose Grip at the end of the Vacuum Hose.



When you're done, remove the tool(s) and reconnect the Hose to the Hose Grip Base.



Return the Canister to the Powerfoot by aligning the "feet" on the front with the bumps on the foot of the Upright Vacuum. Push the Canister toward the vacuum frame until it "clicks" into place.

Power Cord Storage

When you are done using your BISSELL Lift-Off, return it to the Upright position and store the Power Cord.



Turn vacuum cleaner off (0).



Unplug Power Cord by grasping the polarized plug (NOT the cord) and disconnect from outlet.



Loop Power Cord around Cord Wraps on side of the Canister.



Clip molded plug to Power Cord to secure.

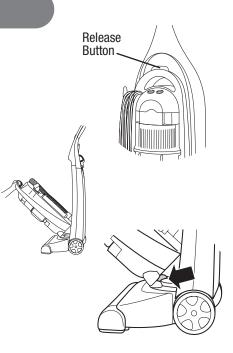
Transporting Cleaner



To move your vacuum cleaner from room to room, put the Handle in the Upright Position, tilt the cleaner back on its rear wheels and push forward.



The cleaner can also be moved by using the Carrying Handle on the Detachable Canister.



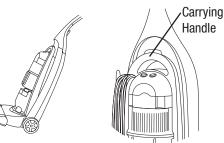
NOTICE:

While vacuuming, certain carpets and low humidity conditions may generate small static discharges. The discharges are entirely harmless and are not associated in any way with the main power supply.



CAUTION:

Do not press the Release Button while using the Carrying Handle to transport the vacuum cleaner. The Canister could detach causing the rest of the vacuum to fall.



How to Maintain Your BISSELL Lift-Off

To maintain maximum cleaning performance, the following maintenance steps must be performed:



Empty the Dirt Container when the dirt reaches the "Full" line on the side.



Check the Upper Tank and Pre-Motor Filters monthly and clean and replace as needed.



Replace the HEPA Media Post-Motor Filter every six months.

NOTE: More frequent filter cleaning may be necessary if you are vacuuming new carpet, fine dust, or have allergy concerns.

Follow the instructions on the following pages to perform these simple maintenance steps.

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reduce the risk of electric shock, turn Power Switch OFF and disconnect polarized plug from electrical outlet before performing maintenance or troubleshooting checks.



For maximum cleaning performance, check and clean or replace all filters as suggested.

Empty Dirt Container

The Dirt Container needs to be emptied when the dirt reaches the "Full" line on the side of the Container.



Unplug cleaner from electrical outlet.



Slide the Lock 'n Seal Lever to the "Unlock" position.



Grasp handle and pull the Dirt Container straight out to remove from vacuum.

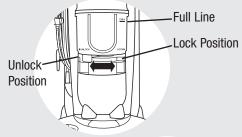


Empty dirt into garbage container.



Put the Dirt Container back in the vacuum and slide the lever to the "Lock" position.

Note: The Dirt Container may be washed in warm water with a mild detergent. Make sure it is completely dry before using again.





Cleaning The Upper Tank & Filter

Use only BISSELL Replacement Filters in your BISSELL Lift-Off. Upper Tank Filter 203-1085



Unplug the cleaner from electrical outlet.

The Upper Tank Filter can be reached by removing the Dirt Container, reaching underneath the Upper Tank and turning the rim of the Filter Frame to unlock. Pull straight down to remove. Brush the dirt off the Louvers and Upper Tank Filter.



The foam Upper Tank Filter may be removed and hand washed in cold water with mild detergent. Rinse well then air dry thoroughly before replacing.

The Upper Tank and Louvers may also be wiped clean with a damp cloth.

Note: For easier access, the entire Upper Tank may be removed by turning the knob on the back of the cleaner to unlock and pulling the entire tank straight out.

Upper– Tank Knob		

Cleaning The Pre-Motor and Post-Motor Filters

Use only BISSELL Replacement Filters in your BISSELL Lift-Off[®]. Pre-Motor Filter 203-1073 HEPA Media Post-Motor Filter #3091



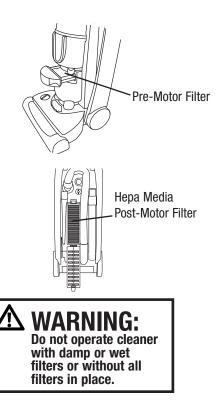
Unplug the cleaner from electrical outlet.



The Pre-Motor Filter protects the motor from dirt particles. It is located in the slide out tray underneath the Dirt Container. If the filter becomes dirty, pull out the tray, lift out the filter and clean. This filter may be hand washed in cold water with mild detergent. Rinse well and air dry thoroughly before replacing.



The HEPA Media Post-Motor Filter assists in the filtration process to return clean air to the room. It is located behind the door on the back of the cleaner. If the filter becomes dirty, open the door, remove the filter and replace. The HEPA Media Filter is not washable.



Check Rotating Brush and Drive Belt

You should check your vacuum cleaner's Rotating Floor Brush and Drive Belt regularly for wear or damage. You should also clean the brush and brush ends of strings, hair, and carpet fibers. These can wrap around the brush and hamper its ability to effectively clean your carpet. Also remove any debris that has accumulated under the brush cover.



Unplug cleaner from electrical outlet.



Remove Detachable Canister from vacuum cleaner.

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Recline Handle and turn vacuum cleaner over so bottom side is up.



Remove the six screws as shown with a Phillips head screwdriver. Lift the Brush Cover off.



Grasp Rotating Floor Brush at both ends and lift.



Clean strings, hair and other debris from Rotating Floor brush, paying particular attention to brush ends.



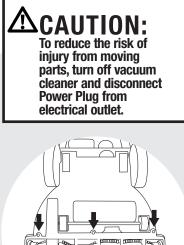
Clean strings, hair and other debris from Motor Pulley and Drive Belt areas.

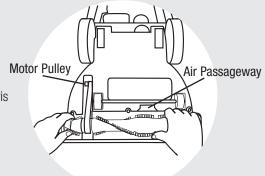


Check Drive Belt carefully for wear, cuts or stressed areas.



Check Air Passageway for obstructions. Remove debris from this area.





Replace Drive Belt

Use only BISSELL Style 8 Replacement Belts (#3200) in your BISSELL Lift-Off.



Unplug cleaner from electrical outlet.



With Rotating Floor Brush removed from vacuum cleaner (Steps 1-5 of Check Rotating Floor Brush and Drive Belt), grasp old Drive Belt and remove from Motor Pulley. Discard old Drive Belt.



Place new Drive Belt over Motor Pulley and stretch other end over Rotating Floor Brush in the space between the bristles.



Place ends of Rotating Floor Brush down into slots on sides as shown.



Turn Rotating Floor Brush by hand several times in the direction of Motor Pulley. If properly installed, Drive Belt will center itself on Rotating Brush crown.



Reposition Brush Cover and screws. Tighten screws securely.

Replace Light Bulb

Use only BISSELL Replacement Bulb (#203-1007) in your BISSELL Lift-Off.



Unplug cleaner from electrical outlet.



Remove Detachable Canister and recline Handle of vacuum.



Using a screwdriver, remove the one screw as shown and lift off the lens.

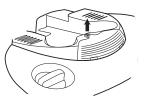


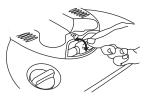
Remove the bulb from the socket by pushing in gently and turning it towards brush. Install the new bulb by pushing it gently into the socket and turning away from brush.



Reposition lens and secure with the one screw.







Clearing Clogs

Low suction or poor pickup may be due to a clog in the vacuum cleaner. If you notice a change in the sound of the motor or a reduction in the spinning action, check for clogs.



Unplug cleaner from electrical outlet.

Empty Dirt Container.

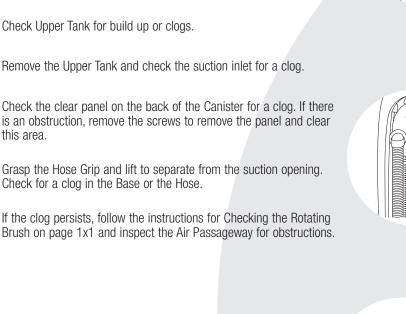


Check the clear panel on the back of the Canister for a clog. If there is an obstruction, remove the screws to remove the panel and clear this area.



Grasp the Hose Grip and lift to separate from the suction opening. Check for a clog in the Base or the Hose.

If the clog persists, follow the instructions for Checking the Rotating Brush on page 1x1 and inspect the Air Passageway for obstructions.



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Clear

Panel

Air Passageway

Suction Opening

Suction Inlet

Thermal Protector

An internal thermal protector has been designed into your cleaner to protect it from overheating. When the thermal protector activates, the main vacuum motor will stop operating. If this happens, proceed as follows:



Turn the cleaner OFF (O) and unplug from electrical outlet.

Check the Upper Tank area, Pre-Motor Filter and Post-Motor Filter for dirt accumulation.



Refer to the "Clearing Clogs" section.



When the motor cools for approximately 30 minutes, the thermal protector automatically resets and cleaning may continue. If the thermal protector continues to activate after following the above steps, your cleaner may need servicing. Call BISSELL Consumer Services, or visit the website.

Note: The thermal protector controls the main vacuum motor only, not the brush motor. If the thermal protector activates, the brush will continue to operate normally; however, there will be no suction.

CAUTIO To reduce the risk of injury from moving parts, turn off vacuum cleaner and disconnect Power Plug from electrical outlet.

Vacuum cleaner won't run. Possible Causes

- 1 Power cord not firmly plugged in
- 2 Blown household fuse or breaker
- 3 Thermal protector activated

No Power at Rotating Floor Brush. Possible Causes

- 1 Canister is not securely seated
- 2 Brush Switch turned to "Off"

Vacuum cleaner or Tools won't pick up dirt. Possible Causes Ren

- Incorrect Height Adjustment
- 2 Hose not attached to suction opening
- 3 Crack or hole in Hose
- Orive Belt broken, worn or off motor pulley
- 6 Rotating Floor Brush bristles worn
- 6 Rotating Floor Brush jammed
- Clog in vacuum
- 8 Dirt Container full
- Dirt Container or Upper Tank not installed properly
- Filters are dirty

Vacuum cleaner is difficult to push. Possible Causes

1 Incorrect Height Adjustment

Visible dirt escaping from cleaner. Possible Causes

- Dirt Container full
- 2 Filters missing or installed incorrectly
- 3 Dirt Container installed incorrectly

Remedies

- Check electrical plug
- 2 Check/replace fuse Reset breaker
- 3 Allow cleaner to cool for 30 minutes, see pg. 13

Remedies

- Remove Canister and replace, making sure that it "clicks" into place
- Make sure Brush Switch is in "On" position

Remedies

- 1 Adjust Powerfoot to correct height setting
- 2 Grasp Hose Grip and firmly push onto the base
- 3 Check Hose and replace if needed
- A Reposition or replace Drive Belt, see pg. 11-12
- 6 Replace brush
- 6 Remove brush and clean debris from brush ends
- Follow instructions on pg. 13 for clearing clogs
- 8 Empty Dirt Container
- Position correctly and lock in place
- Check and clean Upper Tank, Pre-Motor and Post-Motor Filters

Remedies

Adjust Powerfoot to correct height setting

Remedies

- Empty Dirt Container
- Check Upper Tank, Pre-Motor and Post-Motor Filters for correct installation
- 3 Pull out and re-insert Dirt Container correctly

⚠ WARNING:

To reduce the risk of injury from moving parts and/ or electrical shock, turn Power Switch OFF and disconnect polarized plug from electrical outlet before performing troubleshooting checks.

If suggested solutions do not correct the problem, call: BISSELL Consumer Services 1-800-237-7691

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Replacement Parts - BISSELL Lift-Off Series

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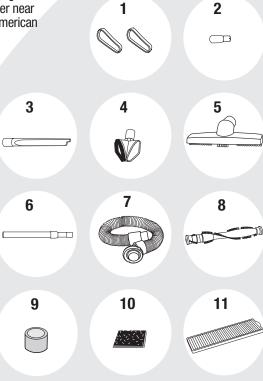
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Item	Part No.	Part Name		
1	3200	Style 8 Drive Belt (2-Pack)		
2	203-1007	Headlight Bulb		
3	203-1063	Crevice Tool		
4	203-1099	Dusting Brush/Upholstery Tool		
5*	203-6624	Stair Cleaning Tool		
6	203-6625	Telescoping Extension Wand		
7	203-6633	Vacuum Hose		
8	203-6619	Brush Roll		
9	203-1085	Upper Tank Filter		
10	203-1073	Pre-Motor Filter		
11	3091	HEPA Media Post-Motor Filter		
*May not be included with every model.				



BISSELL Consumer Services

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BISSELL Consumer Services 1-800-237-7691

Monday - Friday	8 a.m. — 10 p.m. ET
Saturday	9 a.m. — 8 p.m. ET

Or write: **BISSELL Homecare**, Inc. PO Box 3606 Grand Rapids, MI 49501 ATTN: Consumer Services

Or visit the BISSELL website - www.bissell.com

When contacting BISSELL, have model number of unit available. Please record your Model Number: _

Please record your Purchase Date:

NOTE: Please keep your original sales receipt. It is your warranty.

Warranty

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which may vary from state to state. If you need additional instruction regarding this warranty or have questions regarding what it may cover, please contact BISSELL Consumer Services by E-mail, telephone, or regular mail as described below.

Limited One Year Warranty

Subject to the *EXCEPTIONS AND EXCLUSIONS identified below, upon receipt of the product BISSELL Homecare, Inc. will repair or replace (with new or remanufactured components or products), at BISSELL's option, free of charge from the date of purchase by the original purchaser, for one year any defective or malfunctioning part.

See information below on "If your BISSELL product should require service".

This warranty applies to product used for personal, and not commercial or rental service. This warranty does not apply to fans or routine maintenance components such as filters, belts, or brushes. Damage or malfunction caused by negligence, abuse, neglect, unauthorized repair, or any other use not in accordance with the User's Guide is not covered.

If your BISSELL product should require service:

Contact BISSELL Consumer Services to locate a BISSELL Authorized Service Center in your area.

If you need information about repairs or replacement parts, or if you have questions about your warranty, contact BISSELL Consumer Services.

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