

HOOVER®

GUV™ Garage Utility Vac



**Thank you for selecting a
HOOVER® product.**

This cleaner was inspected and packaged carefully before being shipped from the factory. If you should happen to need assistance during assembly or operation,

Visit us on-line at www.hoover.com to find the service outlet nearest you (click on the "Service" button) OR

Call **1-800-944-9200** for automated referral of authorized service outlet locations (U.S. only) OR

Call 1-330-499-9499 to speak with a representative in our Consumer Response Center.

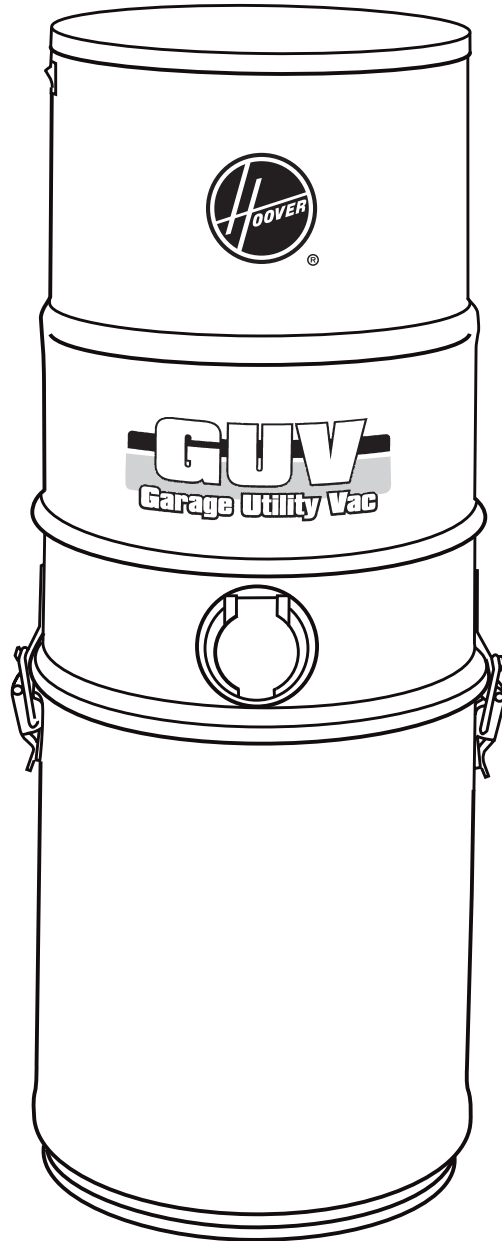
**PLEASE DO NOT RETURN THIS
PRODUCT TO THE STORE.**

Owner's Manual

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**Review this manual before
operating cleaner.**

Fill in and retain

For your records, please enter model and serial numbers in the spaces provided below and retain in a safe place.

Model No. _____ Serial No. _____
(See side of power unit)

Attach your sales receipt to this owner's manual. Verification of purchase date may be required for warranty service.

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Important Safeguards!

When using an electrical appliance, always follow basic precautions, including the following:

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THIS APPLIANCE

Warning: To reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury:

- Do not use on wet surfaces.
- Connect to a properly grounded outlet only. See "Grounding Instructions."
- Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children. Do not allow cleaning system to be used as a toy or to run unattended at any time.
- Do not allow any objects to be put into hose inlet.
- 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 fine wood sandings or use in areas where they may be present.
- Avoid picking up sharp objects.
- Do not use without filter in place. Empty dirt container and clean filter frequently when picking up very fine materials such as powder.
- Use extra care when cleaning stairs.
- Do not put any objects into openings. Do not use with any openings blocked: keep free of dust, lint, hair, and anything that may reduce air flow.
- 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.
- Always disconnect cord from electrical outlet before servicing the power unit.
- Do not unplug by pulling on cord. To unplug, grasp the plug, not the cord. Never handle plug or appliance with wet hands.
- Unplug cleaner when not in use. Turn off all controls before unplugging.
- 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, take it to a Hoover Factory Service Center or Authorized Hoover Warranty Service Dealer (Depot).
- Use vacuum cleaner only for its intended use as described in this owner's manual. Use only attachments recommended by The Hoover Company; others may cause hazards.



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Save these instructions!

Operate cleaning system only at voltage specified on power unit.

This system is intended for residential use.

This system is designed for dry pick-up only.

Grounding Instructions

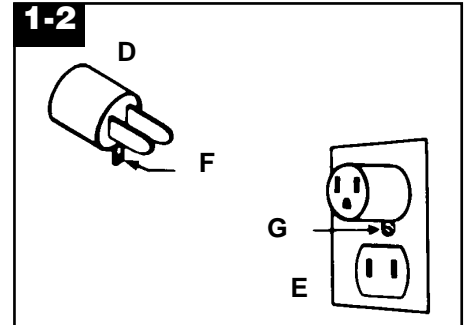
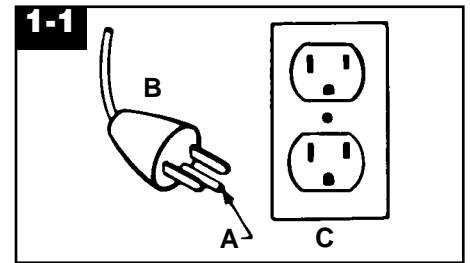
This appliance **must be grounded**. If it should malfunction or breakdown, grounding provides a path of least resistance for electrical current to reduce the risk of electric shock. This appliance is equipped with a cord having an equipment-grounding conductor (A) and grounding plug (B). The plug must be plugged into an appropriate outlet (C) that is properly installed and grounded in accordance with all local codes and ordinances.

DANGER-

Improper connection of the equipment-grounding conductor can result in the risk of electric shock. Check with a qualified electrician or service person if you are in doubt as to whether the outlet is properly grounded. **Do not modify the plug provided** with the appliance - if it will not fit the outlet, have a proper outlet installed by a qualified electrician. This appliance is for use on a nominal 120 volt circuit and has a grounding plug that looks like the plug illustrated in Fig. 1-1.

A **Temporary** adapter (D) may be used to connect this plug to a 2-pole receptacle (E) if a properly grounded outlet is not available. The **Temporary** adapter should be used only until a properly grounded outlet (C) can be installed by a qualified electrician. The green colored rigid ear (F), lug, or the like extending from the adapter must be connected to a permanent ground such as a properly grounded outlet box cover.

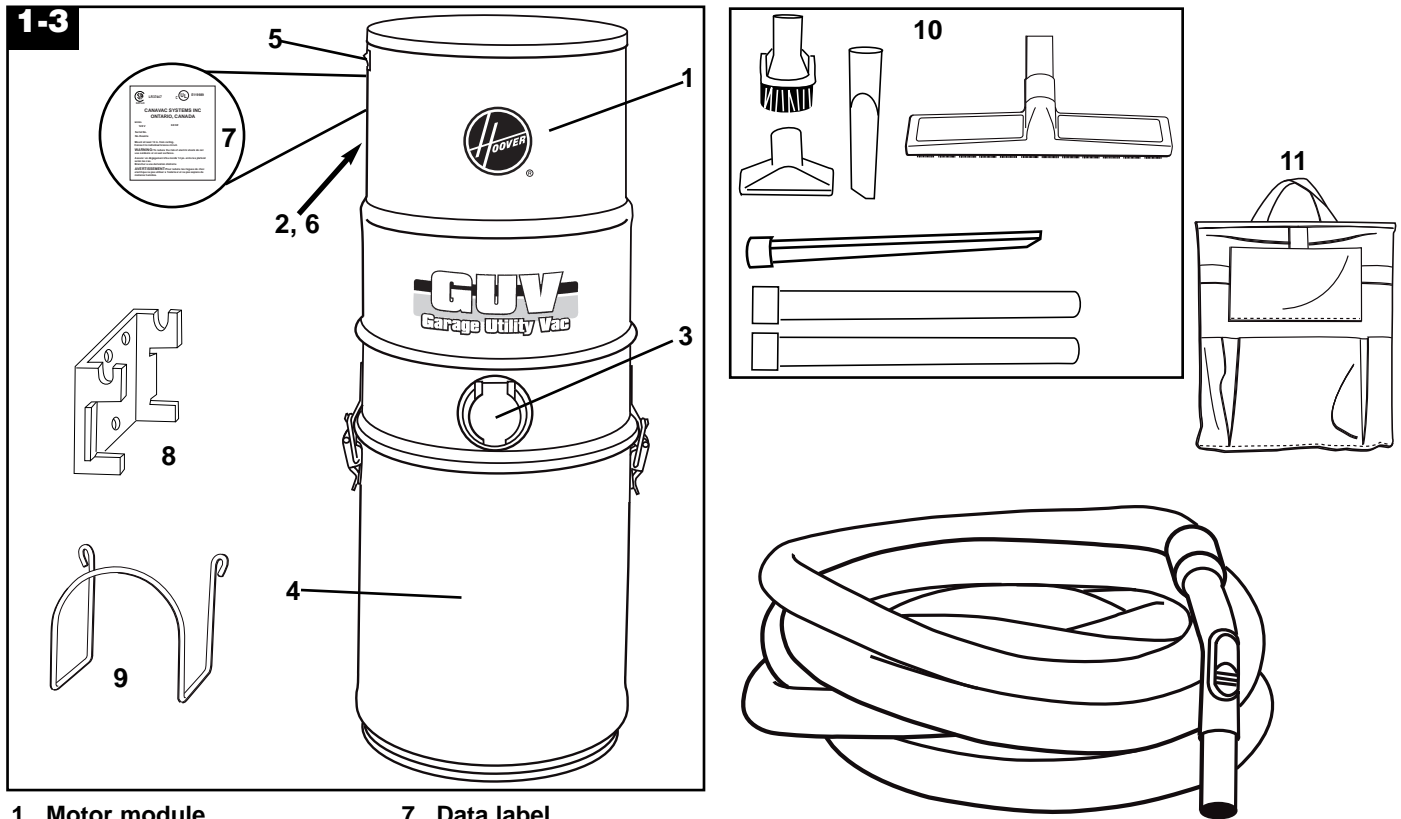
Whenever the adapter is used, it must be held in place by a metal screw (G).



NOTE: In Canada, the use of a temporary adapter is **Not Permitted** by the Canadian Electrical Code.

1. Assembly

Description



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| 1. Motor module | 7. Data label |
| 2. Motor exhaust (back of unit) | 8. Mounting bracket (packed inside dirt container) |
| 3. Hose inlet | 9. Hose rack |
| 4. Dirt container (contains Mounting bracket - Fig. 2-1 and tools - Fig. 3-2) | 10. Tools |
| 5. ON-OFF switch | 11. Tool caddy |
| 6. Power cord (back of unit) | 12. Hose |

2. Installation

Mounting location

The GUV™ power unit can be mounted in the garage, basement, utility room, or any other remote area, except where exposed to weather, and no more than 5 feet from an electrical outlet. Because this unit requires ventilation, **DO NOT** install in a heat producing or confined area such as the attic, furnace room, etc.

The top of the GUV™ power unit should be no less than 12" (30.5 cm) from the ceiling, **and any corner wall** to allow proper cooling of the motor. For ease of removing the dirt container, the bottom of the unit should be at least 18" (46 cm) above the floor.

DO NOT block the two small inlet holes located above each latch holder.

Because the top surface of the GUV™ power unit gets hot during operation, **DO NOT** place or store any objects on top of the unit.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD AN EXTENSION CORD BE USED WITH THIS APPLIANCE.

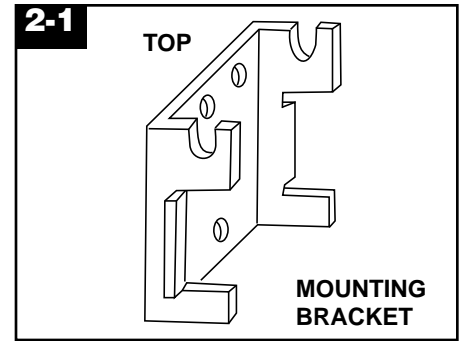
- Hose rack (**drywall or plaster wall**): Drill a 1/4" (.64 cm) dia. x 1-1/4" (3.18 cm) pilot hole. Insert the anchor drywall mount into the hole. Mount the hose rack from an eye on one side with a screw. Make sure the rack is straight. Drill a second pilot hole using the second eye on the rack. Insert the anchor drywall mount into the hole. Fasten tightly with the other screw.

Hose rack (**block or concrete wall**): follow instructions under 3) for mounting the GUV™ power unit bracket.

- Plug the power cord in.

Mounting the GUV™ power unit and hose rack

- Determine if the wall you will be mounting the GUV™ power unit to is block, concrete, or plaster/drywall.
- Drywall or Plaster Wall (fasteners included)**
GUV™ power unit: Locate a stud and drill a 9/64" (.36 cm) dia. x 1-1/4" (3.18 cm) pilot hole. Mount the bracket from the top center hole with a screw. Making sure that the bracket is straight, drill a second pilot hole using the lower hole on the bracket as a guide and fasten tightly with the other screw. If no stud is available, drill a 1/4" (.64 cm) dia. x 1-1/4" (3.18 cm) pilot hole and use anchor drywall mounts.
- Block or Concrete Wall (fasteners are not included)**
GUV™ power unit: You will need (2) 1-1/2" (3.8 cm) x 1/4" (.64 cm) lead plugs and (2) 1-1/2" (3.8 cm) x 1/4" (.64 cm) lag bolts. Drill a 1/2" (1.3 cm) dia. x 1-3/4" (4.4 cm) deep hole with a masonry drill bit. Insert a lead plug into the hole.

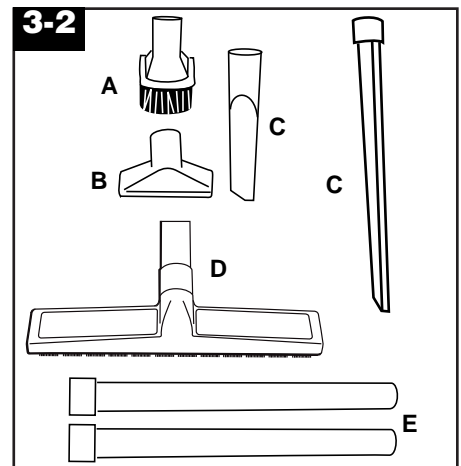
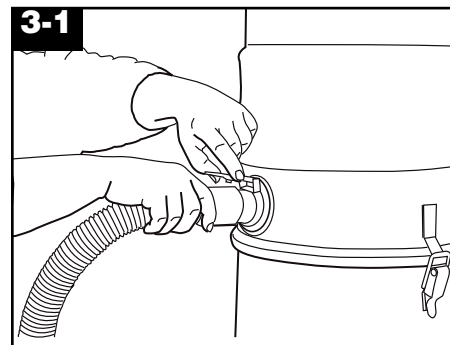


Mount the bracket (Fig. 2-1) from a top corner hole with a lag bolt. Mark the other top corner hole of the bracket. Make sure that the bracket is straight. Slide the bracket away from the mark and drill a hole directly over the mark. Insert a lead plug into the hole. Align the bracket over the hole and tightly fasten with a lag bolt. Continue to 4).

- Mount the GUV™ power unit on the bracket making sure the bar on the back of the machine is settled to the bottom of the slots on the mounting bracket. The wall mounting bracket must fit between the two brackets on the back of the GUV™ power unit.

3. How to use

Insert the hose into the hose inlet as shown in Fig. 3-1. The GUV™ power unit is turned ON and OFF with the switch found on the upper section of the motor module.



Selecting the proper tool

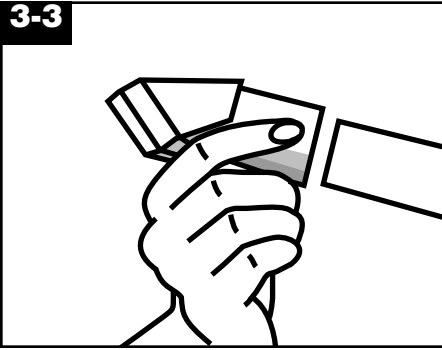
A. Dusting brush may be used for work benches, vehicle interiors, baseboards, lighting fixtures, etc.

B. Furniture nozzle may be used for vehicle interiors, carpeted stairs, mattresses, etc.

C. Crevice tools may be used in tight spaces, corners and along edges in such places as vehicle interiors, drawers, upholstered furniture, stairs and baseboards.

D. Floor nozzle may be used to clean garage and basement floors and other floor surfaces.

E. Wands are used to give extra length to the hose. Use them with any of the above tools. They are especially useful with the floor nozzle.

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Attaching wand and tools

Attach any tool or wand to the hose by pushing it firmly into hose.

Attach second wand or tool to wand by pushing it firmly onto the wand.

Twist wand or tool slightly to tighten or loosen the connection.

How to clean tools

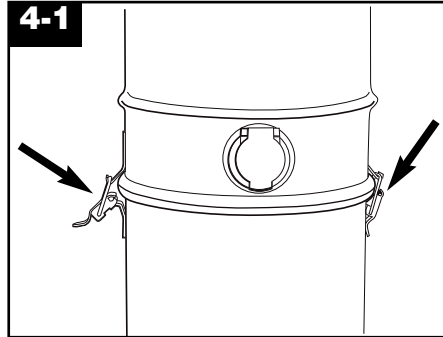
To clean the hose, wipe off dirt with a cloth dampened in a mild detergent. Rinse with a damp cloth.

Cleaning tools may be washed in warm water with a detergent. Rinse and air dry before using.

4. Maintenance

Disconnect cord from electrical outlet before removing dirt container.

Under normal circumstances, the only maintenance your GUV™ vac requires is emptying the dirt container as required, and periodically cleaning the filter.

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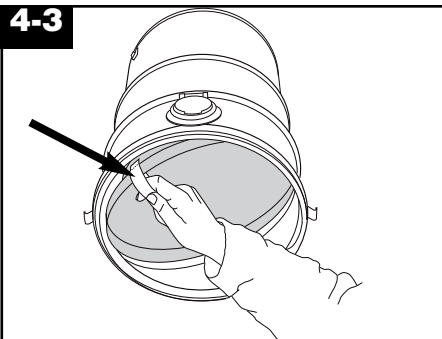
To clean the dirt container:

- 1) Remove the dirt container by unlatching the latches located on each side of the container.
- 2) Empty the dirt container into a trash receptacle.
- 3) Replace dirt container, aligning latches and latch holders, and secure latches.

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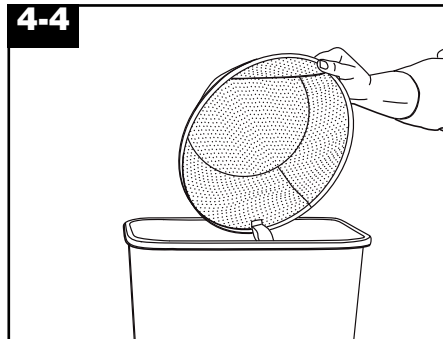
To clean the filter:

- 1) Remove the dirt container by unlatching the latches located on each side of the container.
- 2) Place a plastic grocery bag over the main body that surrounds the filter.
- 3) Using the plastic bag as hand protection from dirt particles, shake the filter to cause any particles adhering to the filter to fall into the bag. (Fig. 4-2) Discard bag.
- 4) Replace the dirt container and secure latches.

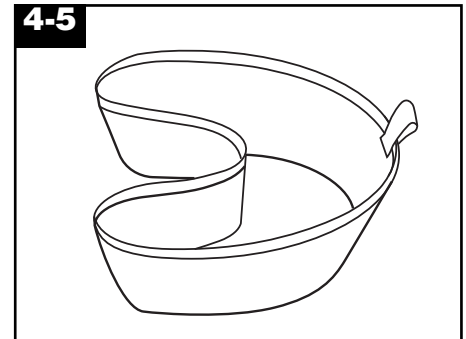
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In severe conditions, such as vacuuming drywall dust, etc., removing the filter and properly cleaning will ensure optimum performance of your GUV™ vac.

5) To remove the cloth filter, grasp the tab and pull towards the middle of the unit.

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6) Take the filter to a trash receptacle and shake to cause any particles adhering to the filter to fall into the receptacle.

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7) To replace the cloth filter, you must decrease the circumference of the filter by pulling one side of the filter towards the center of the filter to create a "V" or "U" shape.

8) Place the filter back into the unit and let the filter snap outward into the groove.

IMPORTANT

Make sure the cloth filter is fitting properly into the groove so it will not come out when the machine is turned on. Failure to do so could void your warranty.

If you have a problem

If a minor problem develops, it usually can be remedied quite easily when the cause is found by using the check list below.

Problem: Cleaner won't run

Possible cause

Possible solution

- **Not firmly plugged in**
- *Plug in firmly*
- **No voltage in wall receptacle**
- *Check fuse or breaker*
- **Blown fuse/tripped breaker**
- *Replace fuse/reset breaker*
- **Thermal protector activated**
- *Allow thermal protector to cool for 30 minutes (this will allow the thermal protector to reset).*

Problem: Suction low

Possible cause

Possible solution

- **Filter dirty**
- *Clean filter*
- **Obstruction in hose or cleaning tools**
- *If the blockage is in the hose, **disconnect hose from power unit.** Insert a long blunt item, such as a broom handle, to clear the blockage.*
- *Check tools, wands, etc. for blockages.*
- **Dirt container full or mispositioned**
- *Check to see if the dirt container needs to be emptied.*
- *Check to see if the dirt container is properly positioned and securely attached.*

Thermal protector

An internal thermal protector has been designed into your cleaner to protect it from overheating.

When the thermal protector activates, the cleaner will stop running. If this happens, proceed as follows:

1. **Turn the cleaner OFF and disconnect it from the electrical outlet.**
2. Check filter for dirt accumulation.
3. Refer to "Suction low" section under "If you have a problem".
4. When cleaner is unplugged and the motor cools for 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 (see "Service" section).

Lubrication

The motor is equipped with bearings that contain sufficient lubrication for the life of the motor. The addition of lubricant could cause damage. **Therefore, do not add lubricant to motor bearings.**

Service

To obtain approved HOOVER service and genuine HOOVER parts, locate the nearest **Hoover Factory Service Center or Authorized Hoover Warranty Service Dealer (Depot)** by:

- checking the Yellow Pages under "Vacuum Cleaners - Household" OR-
- checking the list of Factory Service Centers provided with this cleaner OR-
- checking the Service section of The Hoover Company on-line at **www.hoover.com** OR-
- calling **1-800-944-9200** for an automated referral of authorized service outlet locations (U.S. only).

Do not send your cleaner to The Hoover Company in North Canton for service, as this will only result in delay.

If further assistance is needed, contact The Hoover Company Consumer Response Center, North Canton, Ohio 44720 Phone: 330-499-9499.

In Canada, contact Hoover Canada, Burlington, Ontario L7R 4A8 Phone: 1-800-263-6376.

Always identify your cleaner by the **complete** model number when requesting information or ordering parts. (The model number appears on the side of the unit.)

3 Year Limited Warranty (Domestic Use)

Your HOOVER® appliance is warranted in normal household use, in accordance with the Owner's Manual, against original defects in material and workmanship for a period of three full years from date of purchase. This warranty provides, at no cost to you, all labor and parts to place this appliance in correct operating condition during the warranted period. This warranty applies when the product is purchased in the United States, including its territories and possessions, or from a U.S. Military Exchange. A product purchased elsewhere is covered by a limited three year warranty which covers the cost of parts only. For Canada, see Canadian Warranty. This warranty does not apply if the power unit is used in a commercial or rental application.

This warranty only applies when the product is in use in the country or territory in which it is purchased.

Warranty service can only be obtained by presenting the appliance to one of the following Authorized Warranty Service Outlets. Proof of purchase will be required before service is rendered.

1. Hoover Factory Service Centers
2. Hoover Authorized Warranty Service Dealers (Depots)

For an automated referral of authorized service outlets in the U.S.A., phone 1-800-944-9200 OR visit The Hoover Company on-line at www.hoover.com.

This warranty does not cover pick-up, delivery or house calls; however, if you mail your appliance to a Hoover Factory Service Center for warranty service, transportation will be paid one way.

This warranty does not cover installation damages, installation materials, or damage to the power unit caused by defective or improper installation of the Garage Utility Vac.

While this warranty gives you specific legal rights, you may also have other rights which vary from state to state (or province).

If further assistance is needed, or if there are any questions concerning this warranty, or the availability of warranty service outlets, write or phone the Consumer Response Center, The Hoover Company, 101 East Maple Street, North Canton, Ohio 44720 Phone (330) 499-9499.

**THE HOOVER COMPANY,
NORTH CANTON, OHIO 44720**



APPLIES IN CANADA ONLY WARRANTY HOOVER DOMESTIC FLOORCARE APPLIANCE THE EXCEPTIONAL WARRANTY WITHOUT EXCEPTION*

A full three (3) year warranty on all parts and labor.

Notwithstanding any other provision in this warranty or any applicable statutory provisions, neither the Company nor the Purchaser shall be liable to the other for special or consequential damages or damages for loss of use arising directly or indirectly from any breach of this contract, fundamental or otherwise or from any tortious acts or omissions of their respective employees or agents. In no event shall the liability of the Company exceed the unit price of any part or parts which are defective or are not delivered.

Subject to any other warranty packed with the product, this express warranty is the only warranty applicable to your HOOVER DOMESTIC FLOORCARE APPLIANCE and is expressly in lieu of any warranty otherwise implied by law, including, but not limited to, implied warranties or merchantability or fitness for any particular purpose. The remedies available under this express warranty shall be the only remedies available to the purchaser. Hoover Canada neither assumes, nor authorizes anyone to assume for it, any other responsibility related to the sale of HOOVER DOMESTIC FLOORCARE APPLIANCES.

This warranty is void if repairs are performed by unauthorized persons or if other than genuine Hoover replacement parts or accessories are used.

* For commercial or rental use, the warranty is limited to three (3) months from date of purchase.

"This warranty is not applicable to Hoover products sold in those Provinces which have consumer legislation which specifies mandatory warranty provisions limiting and defining warranty provisions."

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