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Backpack Vacuum Cleaner

Model Number: IA0978

INSTRUCTION MANUAL



Welcome

Congratulations on choosing to buy a Stirling® product.

All products brought to you by Stirling® are manufactured to the highest standards of performance and safety and, as part of our philosophy of customer service and satisfaction, are backed by our comprehensive 3 Year Warranty.

We hope you will enjoy using your purchase for many years to come.

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Warranty Details

The product is guaranteed to be free from defects in workmanship and parts for a period of 36 months from the date of purchase. Defects that occur within this warranty period, under normal use and care, will be repaired, replaced or refunded at our discretion. The benefits conferred by this warranty are in addition to all rights and remedies in respect of the product that the consumer has under the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 and similar state and territory laws.

Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law. You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and for compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to a major failure.



General Information and Safety Instructions

RETAIN FOR FUTURE USE

Read this manual thoroughly before first use, even if you are familiar with this type of product. The safety precautions enclosed herein reduce the risk of fire, electric shock and injury when correctly adhered to. Please keep this user manual in a safe place along with your purchase receipt and carton for future reference. If applicable, pass these instructions and packaging on to the next owner of the appliance. Always follow basic safety precautions and accident prevention measures when using an electrical product.

This product is intended for indoor domestic use only and not designed for commercial, trade or outdoor use.

Electrical Safety and Cord Handling

IMPORTANT: Never pull by the cord. To disconnect from the power supply, remove the plug from the power outlet.

- 1. Before turning on the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner, ensure the electrical voltage and frequency of the circuit corresponds to those indicated on the rating label of the product.
- To protect against fire and electric shock, do not immerse the product, cord set or plug in water or any other liquids.
- 3. Do not pull or carry by the cord, use the cord as a handle, close a door on the cord, or pull the cord around sharp edges or corners.
- 4. Keep cord away from heated surfaces.
- 5. Do not bend or damage the power cord.
- 6. Never force the plug into an outlet, or out of an outlet.
- Always unplug the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner when not in use. The plug must be removed from the power outlet before cleaning, servicing, maintaining or moving the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner.
- 8. To avoid a hazard, do not use the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner if the plug, cord or the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner itself is damaged. Please contact the After Sales Support line for further advice.
- 9. Unless your home is already fitted with a residual current device (safety switch), we recommend installing an RCD with a rated residual operating current not exceeding 30mA to provide additional safety protection when using electrical appliances. See your electrician for professional advice.
- 10. Do not handle the plug, cord or the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner with wet hands.
- 11. This Backpack Vacuum Cleaner is equipped with a cord restraint. If the supply cord is damaged it must be replaced by the manufacturer, it's service agent or similarly qualified persons in order to avoid a hazard.
- 12. Do not use an extension cord unless completely necessary with the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner. If an extension cord is used, please ensure that it has a rating equal or exceeding the rating of this product.

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General Information and Safety Instructions (cont)

Usage Conditions and Restrictions

- 1. To reduce the risk of electric shock, do not use outdoors or on wet surfaces.
- 2. Do not use the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner for other than its intended use.
- 3. The Backpack Vacuum Cleaner is not a toy. Supervise young children to ensure they do not play with this product.
- 4. The Backpack Vacuum Cleaner is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities or lack of experience or knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the product by a person responsible for their safety.
- 5. Do not leave the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner unattended when plugged in. Always switch off and unplug when you are not using the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner.
- This unit has no user-serviceable parts contained within. Do not attempt to repair, disassemble or modify the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner.
- 7. Improper installation or misuse may result in the risk of fire, electric shock or injury to person.
- 8. The manufacturer is not responsible for any eventual damage caused by improper or faulty use.
- 9. The use of attachments not sold or recommended by the manufacturer may cause fire, electric shock or injury.
- 10. The Backpack Vacuum Cleaner is not intended to be operated by means of an external timer or any type of separate remote control system.

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General Information and Safety Instructions (cont)

Handling and Usage

- 1. Do not use the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner without a dust bag and filters in place.
- 2. Before you commence using the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner, please remove any large or sharp objects from the floor in order to prevent the Dust Bag being damaged.
- 3. Do not put any objects into the air ventilation of the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner or operate when the air ventilations are blocked. Keep the air ventilation free of anything that may reduce the airflow.
- 4. Do not operate the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner near heaters, radiators, cigarette butts etc.
- 5. Do not pick up materials such as plaster dust, wood shavings or other building materials.
- 6. Do not use to pick up flammable, combustible or toxic materials such as petrol, chlorine, gasoline or use where they may be present.
- 7. Do not attempt to remove blockages with sharp objects as this may cause damage to the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner.
- 8. Only use the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner on dry, indoor surfaces.
- 9. Use extra care when using the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner on stairs.
- 10. Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers and all parts of body away from the openings or moving parts.
- 11. To reduce the risk of electrocution, never operate this product with wet hands, submerge in water or spill liquids into the product.
- 12. Only use attachments and/or replacement parts recommended by the manufacturer.
- 13. Do not use the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner on any glowing, burning or smoking particles.
- 14. Do not use the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner near a open window when raining as this may cause a electric shock.

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Product Overview



Parts Details

- 1. Canister Lid
- 2. Canister Lid Tabs
- 3. Back Board Panel
- 4. Shoulder Straps
- 5. Waist Band with Attachment Storage
- 6. Flexible Hose
- 7. Telescopic Tube
- 8. Blower Port
- 9. Power Cord

- 10. Blower Attachments
- 11. Crevice Tool
- 12. Upholstery Tool
- 13. Dusting Brush
- 14. Carry Handle
- 15. Hose Inlet
- 16. Main Unit
- 17. Shake-Out Bag
- 18. Exhaust Grill

- 19. Exhaust Grill Port
- 20. 5 x Dust Bags
- 21. Floor-to-Carpet Selector
- 22. Floor Head
- 23. HEPA Filter

Included (not pictured):

Exhaust Filter, Instruction Manual, Quick Start Guide and Warranty Card.

Getting Started

Before First Use

Prior to using your Backpack Vacuum Cleaner, please read all the safety and operating instructions thoroughly. Please ensure you follow the steps below before using this appliance. We recommend you keep the original packaging for storing your Backpack Vacuum Cleaner when not in use.

- 1. Unpack the product but keep all packaging material until you have made sure your new Backpack Vacuum Cleaner is undamaged and in good working order. Plastic wrapping can be a suffocation hazard for babies and young children, so ensure all packaging materials are out of their reach.
- 2. Uncoil the cord and straighten it to remove any kinks. Do not use this product if these parts are damaged. In case of damage, phone the After Sales Support line.

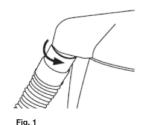
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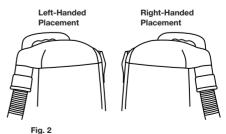
WARNING: To reduce the risk of electric shock, the power cord must be disconnected form power outlet before removing the Flexible Hose (6), Dust Bag (20), Shake-Out Bag (17), changing the filters or performing maintenance or troubleshooting procedures.

Attaching the Flexible Hose to the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner and Using the Attachments

The Flexible Hose should be connected to the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner before strapping to your body.

- To connect the Flexible Hose (6) into the Hose Inlet (15), insert the threaded end of the Flexible Hose
 into the Hose Inlet and turn right until it locks into place (Fig. 1). To remove the Flexible Hose, unplug the
 Power Cord (9) and then turn the hose left.
- 2. To remove the Telescopic Tube (7) from the Flexible Hose, hold the Flexible Hose handle and pull the Telescopic Tube to separate.
- 3. See page 13 for instructions on inserting the Dust Bag correctly.
- 4. Step on the Floor-to-Carpet Selector (21) to adjust the height of the brushes. There are two different heights, one for floors and one for carpets.
- 5. To remove the Telescopic Tube from the Floor Head (22), simply pull the Telescopic Tube out from the Floor Head.
- The Backpack Vacuum Cleaner can be adjusted to suit Left or Right-Handed users. Simply change the direction of the Canister Lid (1) so that the Hose Inlet is on the same side as the dominant hand when the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner is on (Fig. 2).





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The Attachments

2 in 1 Floor Head

Floor Head with metal base and Floor-to-Carpet selector. Adjust the height of the brushes to suit hard surfaces or carpets. To vacuum carpets the selector on the left side should be vertical as seen in Fig. 3a. To vacuum hard surfaces the selector on the right side must be vertical as seen Fig. 3b.

Dusting Brush

The Dusting Brush features soft bristles that helps clean furniture, windowsills, embedded art and blinds (Fig. 4).

Crevice Tool

With its skinny shape and angled tip the Crevice Tool gets into tight spaces, corners, crevices, around radiators or vents and between sofa cushions (Fig. 5).

Upholstery Tool

The Upholstery Tool contains a wide head and unique surface that makes it an excellent tool for removing dust, dirt or unwanted pet hair off sofas, chairs, mattresses and cushions (Fig. 6).

NOTE: This tool is not a grooming tool and should not be used on animals.

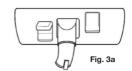
WARNING: Please do not use Upholstery Tool on delicate or woven fabrics that may tear. Do not use the Upholstery Tool on wooden floors as this may cause mild scratching.

Blower Attachments

The Blower Attachments can be used to inflate air mattresses and other inflatable items (Fig. 7). There are 3 different sizes to fit different inflatable items.

The Waist Band

The Waist Band (5) has been designed to carry accessories by placing attachments into the loops.



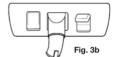










Fig. 7

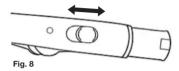
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Manual Suction Control

Your Backpack Vacuum Cleaner also includes a Manual Variable Suction Control on the Flexible Hose Handle (6). This manually adjusts the suction power through the hose by adjusting the suction regulator to the desired position between open and closed (Fig. 8).



Using the Blower Attachment

The Blower Attachments (10) can be used to inflate air mattresses and other inflatable items. The Blower Attachment features air release holes that are designed to help relieve the air pressure to ensure the attachments does not blow off when in use.

IMPORTANT: Take caution when using this function to blow up inflatable items. Turn the unit on and hold the Blower Attachment and air valve while the Vacuum Exhaust is pumping air into the inflatable.

IMPORTANT: Do not use Blower Attachment function on fragile or delicate objects unless they are secured or held firmly in place as the power is quite strong and may cause damage.

To use the Blower Attachment:

- 1. Lift up and unlock the Exhaust Grill (18) tab and click out the Exhaust Grill (Fia. 9).
- 2. Remove the Exhaust Grill and store in a safe and clean place.
- To insert the Blower Port (8) into the exhaust outlet, align the lower tabs of the Blower Port with the slots of the exhaust outlet. Push on the top of the Blower Port and press until it snaps into place.
- 4. To attach the Flexible Hose (6) to the Blower Port, align the Flexible Hose and turn right until it locks. The Flexible Hose is now securely in place (Fig. 10).
- 5. Choose 1 of the 3 Blower Attachments (Fig. 7) that fit the item that needs inflating. Connect the attachment to the end of the Flexible Hose.
- To detach the Flexible Hose turn left and pull out from Blower Port.

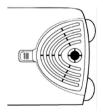
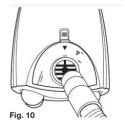


Fig. 9



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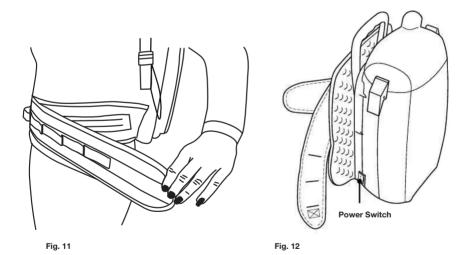
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Using the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner

- 1. Connect the Flexible Hose (6) and Metal Telescope Tube (7) if desired. Choose the correct accessory as explained on page 10.
- 2. Loosen the Shoulder Straps (4) on both sides and correctly position onto your shoulders, securing the straps into a comfortable position.
- 3. Fasten the Waist Band (5) around your waist so that the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner rests comfortably on your hips (Fig.11)

CAUTION: If the Waist Band and both Shoulder Straps are not properly and securely in place, the unit could fall off your back causing damage or injury.

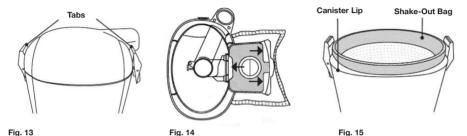
- Plug the power plug into an electrical outlet.
- Turn the unit ON/OFF by pressing the switch located near the base of the unit (Fig. 12).



Inserting the Dust Bag

NOTE: Do not use the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner unless the HEPA filter (23), Shake-Out Bag (17) and Dust Bag (20) are correctly in place.

- 1. Ensure the Power Cord (9) is disconnected from the power outlet, unplug the Flexible Hose (6) from the Canister Lid (1) by rotating the Flexible Hose to the left and pulling down.
- 2. To open the Canister Lid, pull out the bottom of the Canister Lid Tabs (2) on each side of the unit, release from the Canister Lip Clip and lift the Canister Lid (Fig. 13).



- 3. Flip the Canister Lid upside down and place your finger beneath the tabs on the Dust Bag holder and flip upwards to lift the Dust Bag (Fig. 14).
- 4. Holding the Dust Bag (20) in your hand, slide it carefully through the slots of the Dust Bag Holder and dispose of the Dust Bag (Fig. 14).
- Insert a new Dust Bag and ensure the cardboard face of the new bag rests securely in the Dust Bag Cover guides (Fig. 14).
- Flip the Dust Bag Holder over, pressing the tab of the Dust Bag Holder until it clicks and locks into place.
- Remove the Shake-Out Bag from the Canister Lip and shake out any excess dirt in a large bin or appropriate area. Ensure the Shake-Out Bag is carefully re-inserted in place (Fig. 15).
- 8. Put the Canister Lid back on the unit with the Flexible Hose positioned on the right or left, as per your preference.
- Lift the Canister Lid Tabs up, hook onto the Canister Lip Clip and click towards the body of the unit to lock into place.

NOTE: There is no Dust Bag full indicator. Change the Dust Bag when the suction performace has decreased.

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NOTE: Most major vacuum retailers and hardware stores should sell extra refill dust bags. When visiting the store, take one of the dust bags with you for reference. If you are having trouble finding extra dust bags, please contact our After Sales Support line for assistance.

NOTE: Do not overfill or reuse the Dust Bag. Replace when the bag is full.

NOTE: When replacing the Dust Bag, please do so in an outdoor or open area with sufficient ventilation.

Other Useful Information

Cleaning the Shake-Out Bag

- 1. Remove the Shake-Out Bag (17) from the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner Canister (1).
- While holding the handle at the bottom of the Shake-Out Bag, shake vigorously in an outdoor area over a garbage receptacle until there is no more dust.
- Inspect the Shake-Out Bag regularly for tears or damage. If the Shake-Out Bag is damaged please contact our After Sales Support line.
- 4. Re-insert the Shake-Out Bag into the canister.

NOTE: If required you are able to hand wash the Shake-Out Bag in lukewarm water. However it is essential you allow it to completely dry before reusing. Never insert it back into the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner if it is still wet.

NOTE: If you wish to enquire about spare parts for your Stirling Backpack Vacuum Cleaner please contact the After Sales Support line on 1300 777 137.

Cleaning the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner

- 1. Switch off and unplug the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner at the power outlet.
- If necessary, remove any hair or large pieces of debris from the Dusting Brush (13) and Floor Brush.
- 3. If necessary wash the Attachments (see page 10) in warm water with mild detergent. Ensure Attachments are completely dry before use or storage.
- 4. Clean the exterior of the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner using a soft damp cloth and dry thoroughly.

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Other Useful Information (cont)

Cleaning The HEPA Filter

- 1. It is recommended to clean the HEPA FILTER (23) at least once every 6 months or when the suction of your Backpack Vacuum Cleaner begins to decrease.
- 2. Remove the Shake-Out Bag (17) from the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner Canister. The HEPA Filter is located underneath the Shake-Out Bag.
- 3. To remove the HEPA Filter, use your thumbs to press away the tab that is used to lock the HEPA Filter and lift with another finger to unlock the attachment.
- Tap the HEPA Filter outside in a well ventilated area on a safe surface to remove any residual dust that has gathered on the HEPA Filter.
- 5. You can wash the HEPA Filter by running it under cold water and allowing the water to run out the dirt.
- 6. Let your HEPA filter dry naturally in a leaning position, until it is completely dry. Afterward, carefully place it back inside your Backpack Vacuum Cleaner and turn it on to test its functionality.

IMPORTANT: Always ensure the HEPA Filter is completely dry before inserting it back into your Backpack Vacuum Cleaner.

Storage

- Before packing away the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner for storage, ensure it is clean and dry.
- We recommend storing the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner in its original carton to protect it from dust, with all the parts and accessories.
- Store the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner in a clean and dry place, out of children's reach.
- Do not place heavy objects on top during storage.

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Other Useful Information (cont)

Responsible Disposal

At the end of its working life, do not throw this product out with your household rubbish. Electrical and electronic products contain substances that can have a detrimental effect on the environment and human health if disposed of inappropriately. Observe any local regulations regarding the disposal of electrical consumer goods and dispose of it appropriately for recycling. Contact your local authorities for advice on recycling facilities in your area.

Please keep the original packaging carton and materials in a safe place. It will help to prevent any damage if the product needs to be transported in the future. In the event it is to be disposed of, please recycle all packaging material where possible.

If you require another copy of this instruction manual please contact service@unclebills.com.au to obtain an electronic copy.

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Specification Table

MODEL: IA0978 COLOUR: Blue

VOLTAGE: 220-240V, 50-60Hz Class II

POWER: 1400W

DIMENSIONS: 49 x 32 x 25.5cm

NET WEIGHT: 5.15kg WARRANTY: 3 Years

LENGTH OF POWER CORD: 10m

Version No: 1.4

Issue Date: October 29th, 2015

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Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
The Backpack Vacuum Cleaner will not turn on?	The Backpack Vacuum Cleaner is not plugged into the power outlet correctly.	 Check that the ON/OFF Power Switch (Fig .11) located at the base of the unit is switched on. Remove the power plug (9) and then reinsert into the power outlet.
The suction performance of the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner is declining?	 The Dust Bag (20) is full. The Dust Bag and/or HEPA Filter (23) are not correctly installed or assembled. There may be a tear in the Dust Bag. There may be a blockage in the Telescopic Tube (7), Flexible Hose (6), Floor Head (22) or the accessories (11,12,13). The HEPA Filter (23) or Shake-Out Bag (17) are dirty. 	 Replace the Dust Bag (20). Ensure the Dust Bag and/ or HEPA Filter are correctly inserted. Please see page 13. Replace with a new Dust Bag, and dispose of the damaged Dust Bag. Visually inspect the Telescopic Tube, Flexible Hose, Floor Head and accessories for large items that may have been sucked in. Do not use sharp tools to remove blockages. Clean the HEPA Filter or replace the Shake-Out Bag. For detailed instructions please see page 15 and 16.
The Backpack Vacuum Cleaner makes an abnormal sound when switched on?	There may be blockages within the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner.	 Check the Backpack Vacuum Cleaner (including the Telescopic Tube & Flexible Hose) to ensure there are no blockages. Please clear any blockages that may be found.

Notes





Backpack Vacuum Cleaner

Repair and Refurbished Goods or Parts Notice

Unfortunately, from time to time, faulty products are manufactured which need to be returned to the Supplier for repair.

Please be aware that if your product is capable of retaining user-generated data (such as files stored on a computer hard drive, telephone numbers stored on a mobile telephone, songs stored on a portable media player, games saved on a games console or files stored on a USB memory stick) during the process of repair, some or all of your stored data may be lost.

We recommend you save this data elsewhere prior to sending the product for repair.

You should also be aware that rather than repairing goods, we may replace them with refurbished goods of the same type or use refurbished parts in the repair process.

Please be assured though, refurbished parts or replacements are only used where they meet ALDI's stringent quality specifications.

If at any time you feel your repair is being handled unsatisfactorily, you may escalate your complaint. Please telephone us on 1300 777 137 or write to us at:

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