

# ***Shark***<sup>®</sup>

**Rotator<sup>®</sup> Lift-Away<sup>®</sup> Pet  
with Self-Cleaning Brushroll**

**QU573Q Series**

**OWNER'S GUIDE**

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# IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY • PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE USE

If the plug does not fit fully into the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. DO NOT force into outlet or try to modify to fit.

## WARNING

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

### GENERAL WARNINGS

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

1. Your vacuum cleaner may consist of a motorized nozzle, wand, hose, and/or vacuum pod. This device contains electrical connections, electrical wiring, and moving parts that potentially present risk to the user.
2. Use only identical replacement parts.
3. Carefully observe and follow the instructions provided below to avoid improper use of the appliance. **DO NOT** use the vacuum for any purpose other than those described in this manual.
4. Before use, carefully inspect all parts for any damage. **DO NOT** use if any parts are damaged.
5. The use of an extension cord is **NOT** recommended.
6. This vacuum cleaner contains no serviceable parts.

### USE WARNINGS

7. This appliance can be used by persons with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities or lack of experience and knowledge if they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance in a safe way and understand the hazards involved. Cleaning and user maintenance shall not be made by children. Keep the appliance and its cord out of reach of children. Do not allow the appliance to be used by children. Do not allow to be used as a toy. Close supervision is necessary when used near children.

8. Always turn off the vacuum cleaner before connecting or disconnecting any motorized nozzles or other accessories.
9. **DO NOT** handle plug or vacuum cleaner with wet hands.
10. **DO NOT** use without filters in place.
11. Only use Shark® branded filters and accessories. Failure to do so will also void the warranty.
12. **DO NOT** damage the power cord:
  - a) **DO NOT** pull or carry vacuum cleaner by the cord or use the cord as a handle.
  - b) **DO NOT** unplug by pulling on cord. Grasp the plug, not the cord.
  - c) **DO NOT** run the vacuum cleaner over the power cord, close a door on the cord, pull the cord around sharp corners, or leave the cord near heated surfaces.
13. **DO NOT** put any objects into nozzle or accessory openings. **DO NOT** use with any opening blocked; keep free of dust, lint, hair, and anything that may reduce airflow.
14. **DO NOT** use if nozzle or accessory airflow is restricted. If the air paths or the motorized floor nozzle become blocked, turn the vacuum cleaner off and unplug from electrical outlet. Remove all obstructions before you plug in and turn on the unit again.
15. Keep nozzle and all vacuum openings away from hair, face, fingers, uncovered feet, or loose clothing.

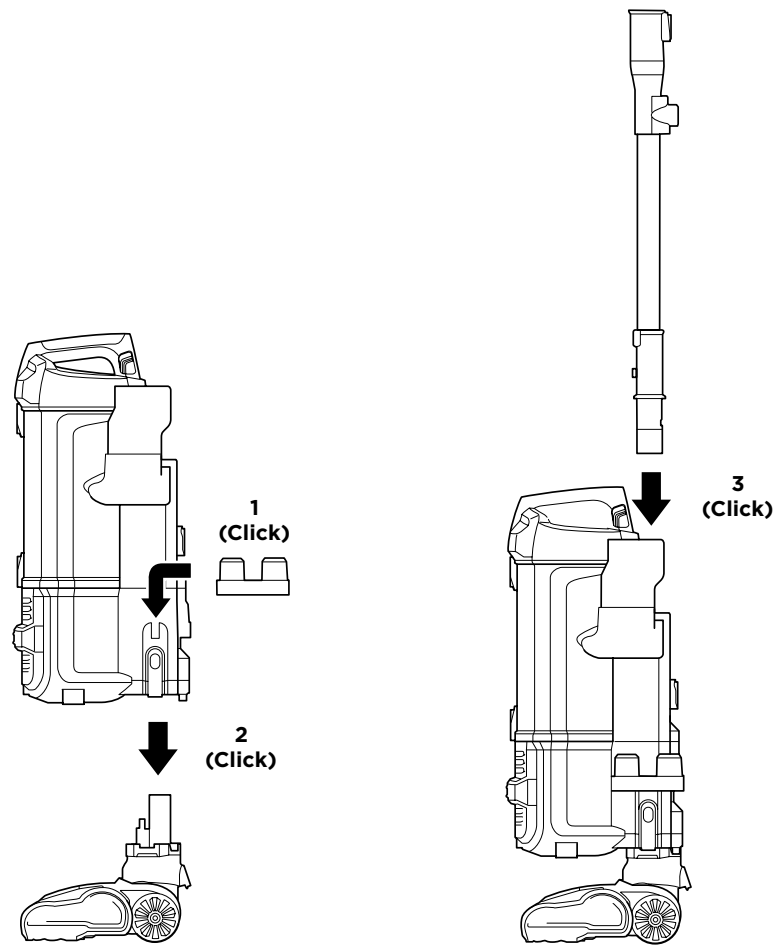
16. **DO NOT** use if vacuum cleaner is not working as it should, or has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors, or dropped into water.
17. Use extra care when cleaning on stairs.
18. **DO NOT** leave the vacuum cleaner unattended while plugged in.
19. When powered on, keep the vacuum cleaner moving over the carpet surface at all times to avoid damaging the carpet fibers.
20. **DO NOT** place vacuum cleaner on unstable surfaces such as chairs or tables.
21. Your Shark® vacuum may not be designed to stand up on its own. When taking a break from cleaning, you may need to lean it against furniture or a wall, or lay it flat on the floor. Using the vacuum for an application where the unit lacks stability may result in personal injury.
22. **DO NOT** use to pick up:
  - a) Liquids
  - b) Large objects
  - c) Hard or sharp objects (glass, nails, screws, or coins)
  - d) Large quantities of dust (drywall dust, fireplace ash, or embers). **DO NOT** use as an attachment to power tools for dust collection.
  - e) Smoking or burning objects (hot coals, cigarette butts, or matches)
  - f) Flammable or combustible materials (lighter fluid, gasoline, or kerosene)
  - g) Toxic materials (chlorine bleach, ammonia, or drain cleaner)

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 the proper outlet. Do not change the plug in any way.

23. **DO NOT** use in the following areas:
  - a) Poorly lit areas
  - b) Wet or damp surfaces
  - c) Outdoor areas
  - d) Spaces that are enclosed and may contain explosive or toxic fumes or vapors (lighter fluid, gasoline, kerosene, paint, paint thinners, mothproofing substances, or flammable dust)
24. Turn off all controls before plugging in or unplugging the vacuum.
25. Unplug from electrical outlet when not in use and before any maintenance or cleaning.
26. Hand wash with water only. Washing with cleaning chemicals could damage the unit.
27. During cleaning or routine maintenance, **DO NOT** cut anything other than hair, fibers, or string wrapped around the brushroll.
28. Allow all filters to air-dry completely before replacing in the vacuum to prevent liquid from being drawn into electric parts.
29. Make sure the dust cup and all filters are in place after routine maintenance.
30. If provided, secure the power cord around the two cord hooks during storage.

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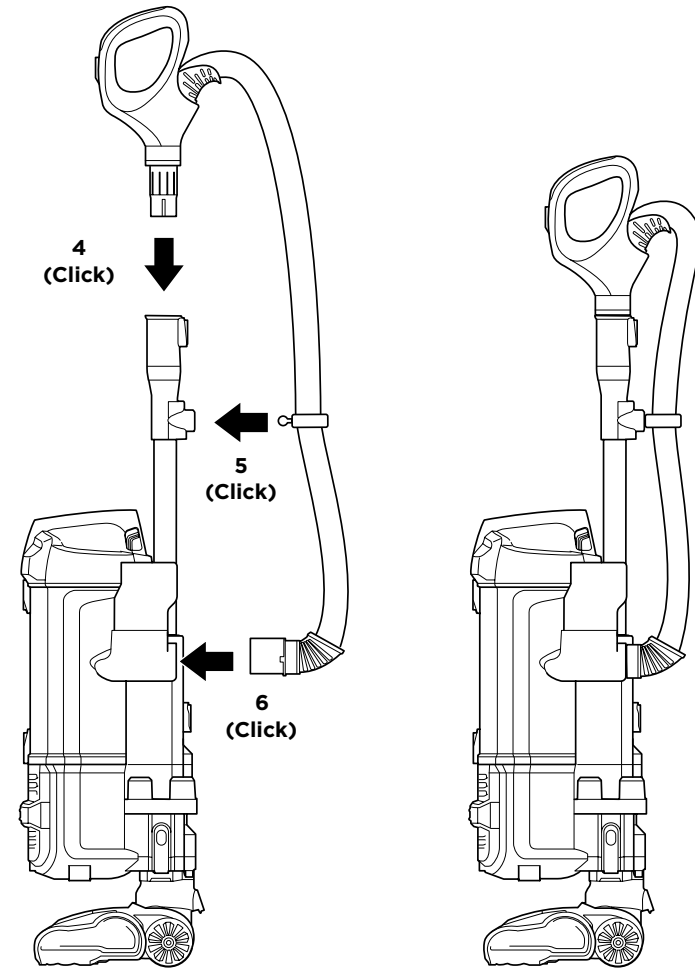
## ASSEMBLY



1. Insert **Double Accessory Holder** into the side of the **Pod** above the **Lift-Away Button**.
2. Place pod onto **Floor Nozzle Post**.
3. Insert **Wand** into pod.
4. Insert **Handle** into wand.
5. Attach **Hose Clip** to wand.
6. Connect **Hose** to back of pod.

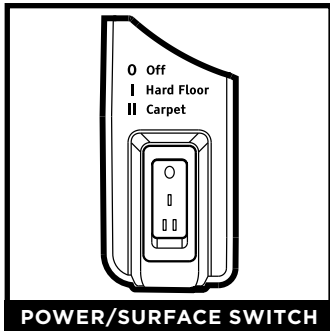
For proper operation, ensure all parts are firmly clicked into place.

## ASSEMBLY



## WHOLE-HOME CLEANING

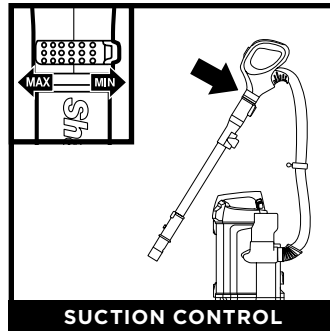
### SETTINGS



**POWER/SURFACE SWITCH**

Select surface setting:

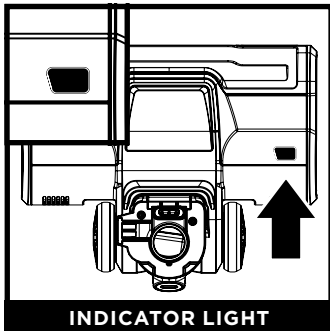
- Off** Power Off
- I Hard Floor**  
For bare floors and small area rugs.
- II Carpet**  
For carpets.



**SUCTION CONTROL**

**Suction Control** offers variable suction based on your needs. Slide to **MIN** to reduce suction and increase maneuverability on carpets. Slide to **MAX** to increase suction on bare floors.

### BRUSHROLL INDICATOR LIGHT



**INDICATOR LIGHT**

#### WHAT DOES THE BRUSHROLL INDICATOR LIGHT MEAN?

**Solid Green:** The brushroll is spinning and working as it should.

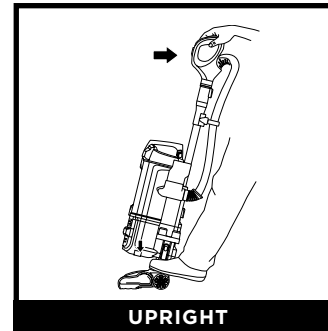
**Solid Red:** There is a jam in the brushroll area. Turn your vacuum off and remove any blockages in the nozzle.

**Flashing Red:** The motorized floor nozzle is overheating. Turn your vacuum off and wait a minimum of 45 minutes for it to cool down.

**NOTE:** For deep carpet cleaning per ASTM F608 (embedded dirt in carpets), set to **MAX** suction and **Carpet**.

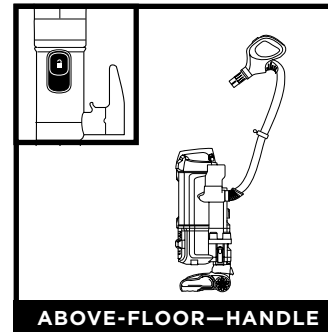
## WHOLE-HOME CLEANING

### CLEANING MODES



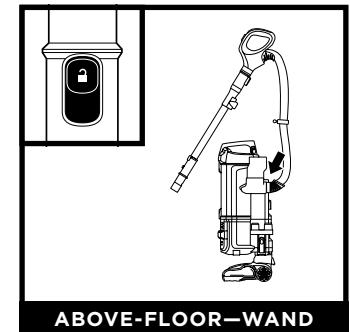
**UPRIGHT**

To engage brushroll, turn power on, then place foot on floor nozzle and tilt handle back.



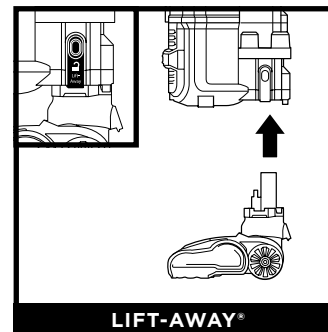
**ABOVE-FLOOR—HANDLE**

Press the **Handle Release** button on the back of the wand to detach the handle from the wand.



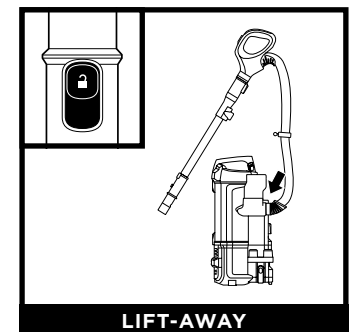
**ABOVE-FLOOR—WAND**

Press the **Wand Release** button on the back of the vacuum to detach the wand from the pod.



**LIFT-AWAY®**

Press the **Lift-Away** button to detach the pod from the floor nozzle.

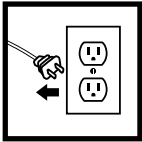


**LIFT-AWAY**

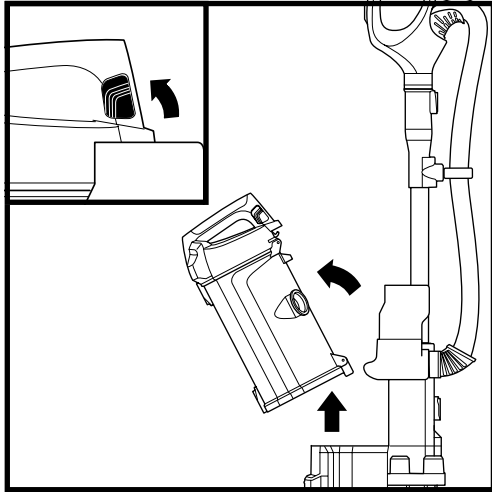
With pod removed, press the **Lift-Away Wand Release** button to detach the wand from the pod.

**NOTE:** All accessories are compatible with both the wand and the handle.

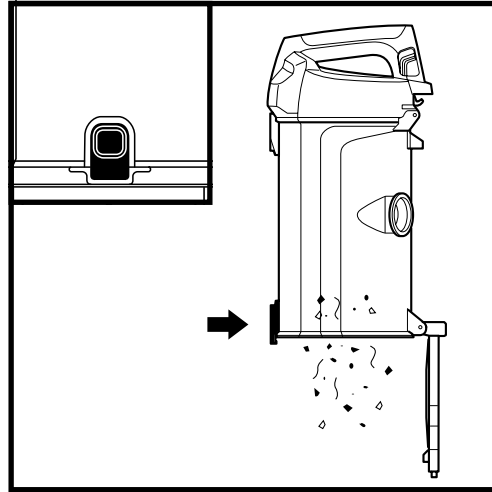
## EMPTYING THE DUST CUP



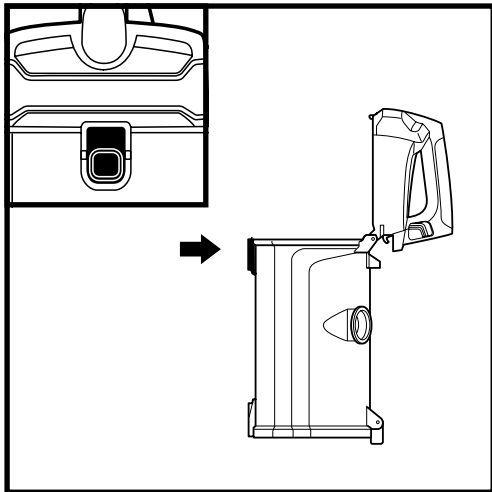
**IMPORTANT:** Unplug the power cord before performing any maintenance.



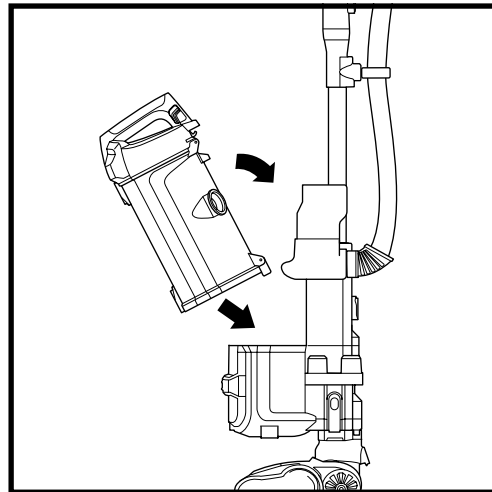
To remove **Dust Cup**, lift tabs on both sides of dust cup handle. Tilt dust cup, then lift to remove.



To empty debris into trash, press lower release button and bottom of dust cup will drop open.



To remove collected debris from **Lint Screen**, press top release button and lift handle to open. Gently brush lint screen to clean.



To reinstall, place bottom of dust cup into pod and then tilt until it clicks into place.

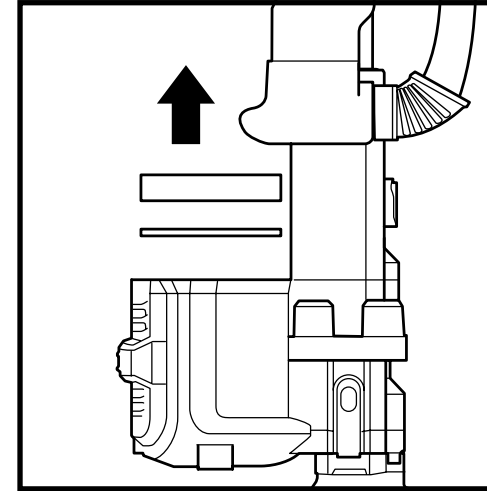
## CLEANING AND REPLACING THE FILTERS

### CLEANING FILTERS

**Regularly clean and replace the filters to keep your vacuum's suction power optimal.**

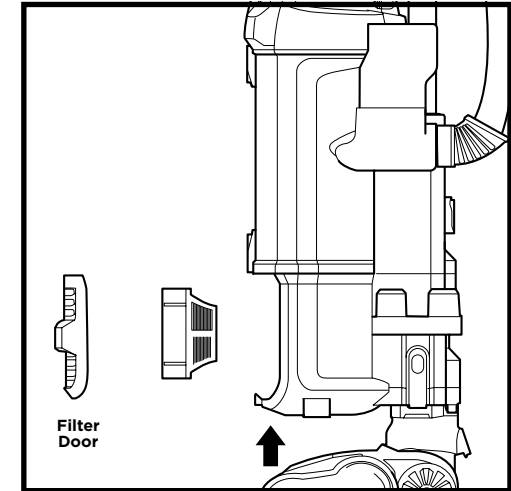
To clean filters, rinse with cold water **ONLY** to prevent damage from cleaning chemicals. Allow all filters to air-dry for at least 24 hours before reinstalling them to prevent liquid from being drawn into electric parts.

**IMPORTANT: DO NOT** use soap when cleaning the filters.



### CLEAN PRE-MOTOR FILTERS EVERY 3 MONTHS

Remove **Dust Cup**, then lift out **Filters**.

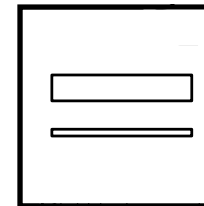


### CLEAN HEPA FILTER EVERY YEAR

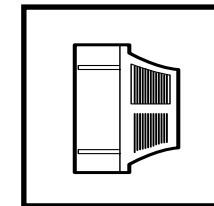
Press button at bottom of **Filter Door**. Tilt filter door and lift it out, then remove **HEPA Filter**. To reinstall, insert HEPA filter into unit and replace the filter door.

### REPLACING FILTERS

Follow the previous instructions for removing filters. The **Pre-Motor Filter** should be replaced every 2.5 years. The **HEPA Filter** should be replaced every 3 years.



**Replacement  
Pre-Motor Foam &  
Felt Filter Kit**  
XFFK560



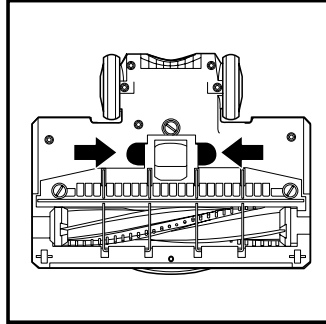
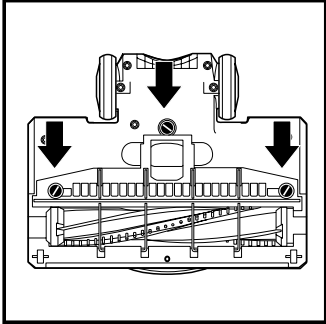
**Replacement  
HEPA Filter**  
XFF5160

**NOTE:** To order replacement parts and filters, visit [sharkaccessories.com](http://sharkaccessories.com).

## CLEANING THE BRUSHROLL

### Self-Cleaning Brushroll

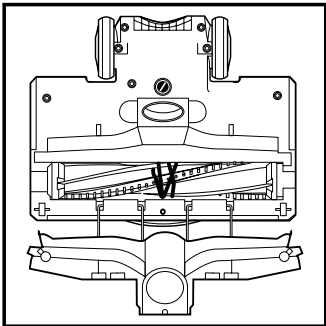
The self-cleaning brushroll automatically removes hair. If you run over a hard or sharp object or notice a noise change while vacuuming, check for blockages or objects caught behind the brushroll. To access the brushroll, open the locks on the bottom of the floor nozzle.



Using a coin, turn locks counterclockwise, then open the cover to access **Brushroll**.

**NOTE:** Cover hinges open but is not completely removable.

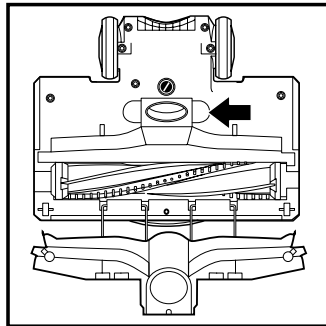
#### DEBRIS WRAPPED AROUND BRUSHROLL



Clean off any debris on the bristles.

**NOTE:** If any hair is wrapped around the brushroll, extending cleaning time will allow the self-cleaning brushroll to remove it for you. If some fibers remain wrapped around brushroll after continued use, carefully cut debris with scissors and remove.

#### DEBRIS INTAKE

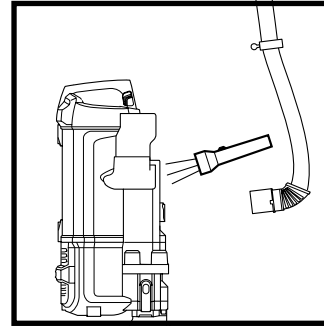


If you run over a **hard or sharp** object or notice a noise change while vacuuming, check for blockages or objects caught behind the brushroll.

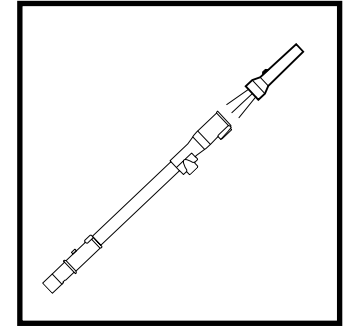
Clear away any dust, dirt, or blockages in **Debris Intake**.

To close the cover, push down until it clicks into place, then close the locks with a coin.

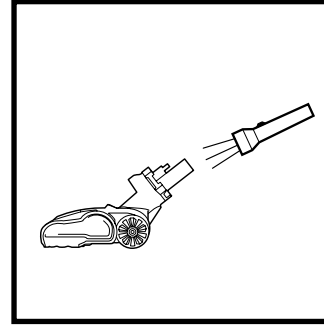
## CHECKING FOR BLOCKAGES



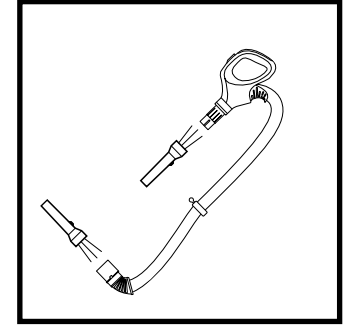
Detach hose from vacuum pod, and check hose and opening on back of pod for blockages.



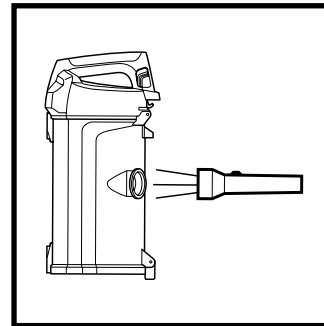
Detach wand from floor nozzle and handle, and check both ends for blockages.



Detach wand from floor nozzle, tilt nozzle neck back, and check opening for blockages.



Detach handle from wand and hose from the vacuum pod, and check openings for blockages.

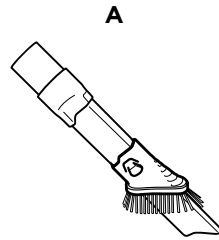


Detach dust cup from vacuum pod. Empty dust cup, remove debris from lint screen, and check for blockages.

## AVAILABLE ACCESSORIES

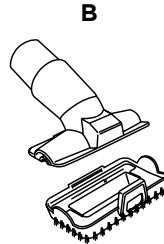
### A Duster Crevice Tool

Two cleaning tools in one. The crevice tool gives you extended cleaning reach for small spaces, while the soft dusting brush cleans a multitude of surfaces.



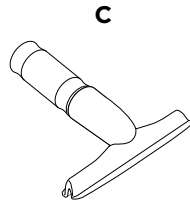
### B Hair Removal Multi-Tool

A single convertible tool for cleaning tough pet messes two ways: Use the stiff bristle brush to remove stubborn hair from carpets, or take off the bristles to reveal an upholstery tool perfect for cleaning couches and bedding.



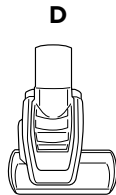
### C Wide Upholstery Tool

The wide cleaning path helps remove pet hair, dust, and large debris from mattresses, couches, curtains, lampshades, and other delicate upholstered surfaces.



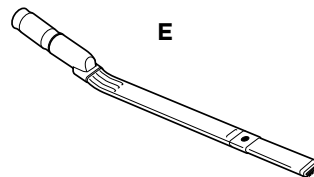
### D Self-Cleaning Pet Power Brush

Tackles pet hair and ground-in dirt from above-floor areas like carpeted stairs and upholstery, while actively removing hair wrap as it cleans.



### E Under-Appliance Wand

Clean under and behind hard-to-move appliances and furniture with this adjustable 36" tool. Flip the extension piece over to clean the underside of appliances.



**NOTE:** Not all accessories come with all units. Please see the enclosed Quick Start Guide for your unit's configuration. To order additional accessories, visit [sharkaccessories.com](http://sharkaccessories.com).

## TROUBLESHOOTING

### Vacuum is not picking up debris. No suction or light suction.

- Check filters to see if they need cleaning. Follow instructions for rinsing and air-drying the filters before reinserting in the vacuum.
- Dust cup may be full; empty dust cup.
- Check hose, hose connections, nozzle, wand, pod, and accessories for blockages. Clear any blockages found.

(Refer to Checking for Blockages section for more information.)

- If any hair, string, or carpet fibers are wrapped around the brushroll, extend cleaning time to allow the self-cleaning brushroll to remove them.
  - If some hair or fibers remain wrapped around brushroll after continued use, remove the floor nozzle cover and carefully cut debris with scissors and remove from brushroll. See Cleaning the Brushroll section for more information.

### Vacuum lifts area rugs.

- Make sure Power/Surface switch is set to Hard Floor (setting I).
- Suction is powerful. Take care when vacuuming area rugs or rugs with delicately sewn edges.
- To minimize suction, slide Suction Control to MIN.

### Brushroll does not spin.

- If the Brushroll Indicator Light turns red, immediately turn off and unplug the vacuum. Remove pod from floor nozzle and clear any blockages. Reconnect nozzle, plug in vacuum, and turn on power.
- With the power on, recline the handle, which will automatically turn on the brushroll.
- Ensure that the Power/Surface switch is set to Carpet (position II) for brushroll to spin.

### Vacuum turns off on its own or indicator light flashes red.

This vacuum is equipped with a motor-protective thermostat. If your vacuum overheats, the thermostat will automatically turn the suction motor off. Perform the following steps to restart the thermostat:

1. Turn vacuum off and unplug it.
2. Empty dust cup and clean filters (see Emptying the Dust Cup and Cleaning the Filters).
3. Check for blockages in hose, accessories, and inlet openings.
4. Allow unit to cool for a minimum of 45 minutes.
5. Plug in vacuum and turn it on with the Power/Surface switch.

For all other issues, please call Customer Service 1-800-798-7398.

## FIVE (5) YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

The Five (5) Year Limited Warranty applies to purchases made from authorized retailers of **SharkNinja Operating LLC**. Warranty coverage applies to the original owner and to the original product only and is not transferable.

SharkNinja warrants that the unit shall be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of five (5) years from the date of purchase when it is used under normal household conditions and maintained according to the requirements outlined in the Owner's Guide, subject to the following conditions and exclusions:

### What is covered by this warranty?

1. The original unit and/or non-wearable components deemed defective, in SharkNinja's sole discretion, will be repaired or replaced up to five (5) years from the original purchase date.
2. In the event a replacement unit is issued, the warranty coverage ends six (6) months following the receipt date of the replacement unit or the remainder of the existing warranty, whichever is later. SharkNinja reserves the right to replace the unit with one of equal or greater value.

### What is not covered by this warranty?

1. Normal wear and tear of wearable parts (such as foam filters, HEPA filters, pads, etc.), which require regular maintenance and/or replacement to ensure the proper functioning of your unit, are not covered by this warranty. Replacement parts are available for purchase at **sharkaccessories.com**.
2. Any unit that has been tampered with or used for commercial purposes.
3. Damage caused by misuse (e.g., vacuuming up water or other liquids), abuse, negligent handling, failure to perform required maintenance (e.g., not cleaning the filters), or damage due to mishandling in transit.
4. Consequential and incidental damages.
5. Defects caused by repair persons not authorized by SharkNinja. These defects include damages caused in the process of shipping, altering, or repairing the SharkNinja product (or any of its parts) when the repair is performed by a repair person not authorized by SharkNinja.
6. Products purchased, used, or operated outside North America.

### How to get service

If your appliance fails to operate properly while in use under normal household conditions within the warranty period, visit **sharkclean.com** for product care and maintenance self-help. Our Customer Service Specialists are also available at **1-800-798-7398** to assist with product support and warranty service options, including the possibility of upgrading to our VIP warranty service options for select product categories.

SharkNinja will cover the cost for the customer to send in the unit to us for repair or replacement. A fee of \$24.95 (subject to change) will be charged when SharkNinja ships the repaired or replacement unit.

### How to initiate a warranty claim

You must call **1-800-798-7398** to initiate a warranty claim. You will need the receipt as proof of purchase. A Customer Service Specialist will provide you with return and packing instruction information.

### How state law applies

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you also may have other rights that vary from state to state. Some states do not permit the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above may not apply to you.

## REGISTER YOUR PURCHASE



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Scan QR code using  
mobile device



Benefits of registering your product and creating an account:

- Get easier, faster product support and access to warranty information
- Access troubleshooting and product care instructions
- Be among the first to know about exclusive product promotions

**TIP:** You can find the model and serial numbers on the QR code label on the bottom of the back of the vacuum pod.

## RECORD THIS INFORMATION

Model Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Serial Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Purchase: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Keep receipt)

Store of Purchase: \_\_\_\_\_

## TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Voltage: 120V, 60Hz

Watts: 850W

Amps: 6.7A



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This Owner's Guide is designed to help you get a complete understanding of your new Shark® Rotator® Lift-Away® Pet with Self-Cleaning Brushroll.

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