

RICCAR®

CARPET KEEPER

Dry Carpet Cleaner Applicator

Owner's Manual



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IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

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

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THIS APPLIANCE

WARNING: The manufacturer cannot accept responsibility for damage caused when the appliance is not used according to the instructions, or for uses other than those for which it was intended.

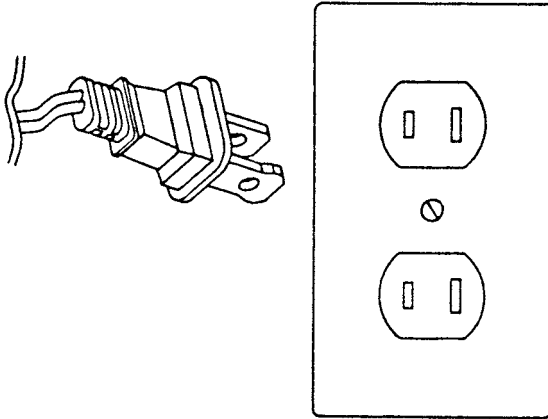
To reduce the risk of fire, electric shock or injury:

- Do not leave appliance when plugged in. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before servicing.
- **WARNING:** ELECTRIC SHOCK COULD OCCUR IF USED OUTDOORS OR ON WET SURFACES.
- Do not allow to be used as a toy. Close attention is necessary when used by or near children.
- Use only as described in this manual.
- 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, return it to your Authorized Retailer for service.
- Do not pull or carry by cord, use cord as a handle, close a door on the 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 plug or appliance with wet hands.
- Do not put any object into openings. Do not use with any opening blocked.
- Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers and all parts of body away from openings and moving parts.
- Turn off all controls before unplugging.
- Use extra care when cleaning on stairs.
- Do not attempt to service the unit while appliance is plugged in.

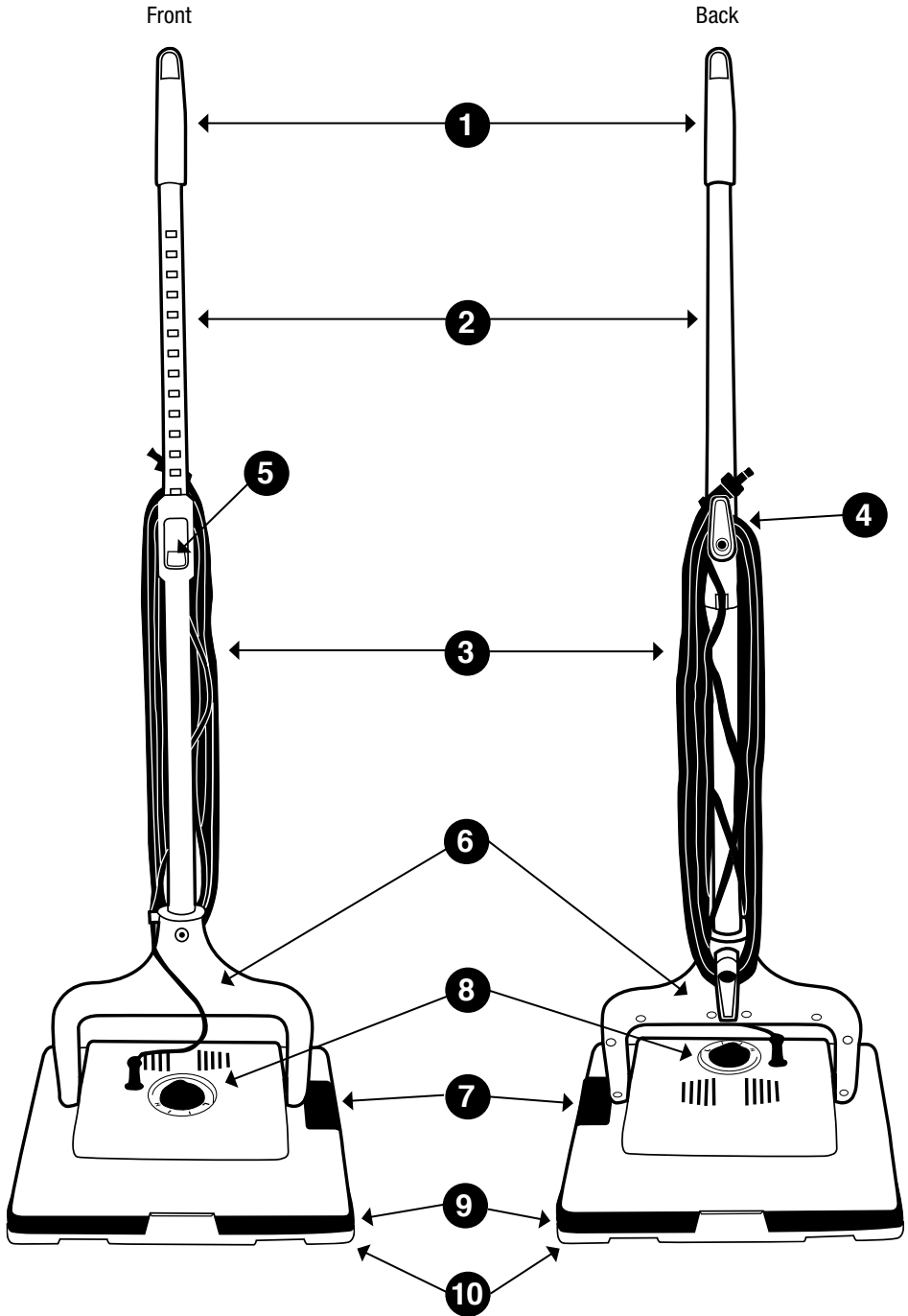
SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS.

POWER CORD, 2-WIRE POLARIZED CORD

To reduce the risk of electric shock this product is equipped with a polarized alternating current line plug (a plug having one blade wider than the other). This plug will fit into the power outlet only one way. This is a safety feature. If you are unable to insert the plug fully into the outlet, try reversing the plug. If the plug should still fail to fit, contact a qualified electrician to replace the obsolete outlet. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the polarized plug.



Description of the Applicator



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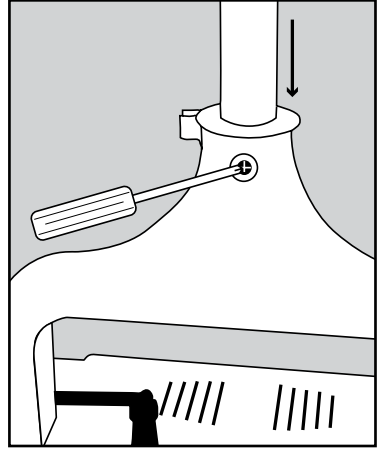
- 1 Handle
- 2 Telescopic wand
- 3 Power cord
- 4 Quick release cord hook
- 5 Wand release button
- 6 Handle base
- 7 On/off power pedal
- 8 Carpet height adjustment dial
- 9 Furniture guard
- 10 Storage tray

Before Using Your Carpet Keeper for the First Time

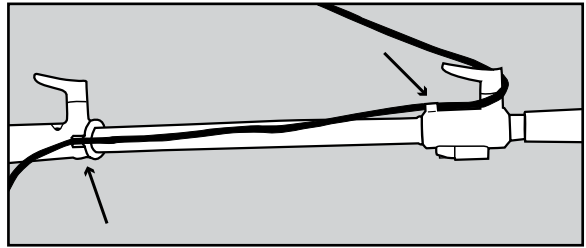
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Installing the handle

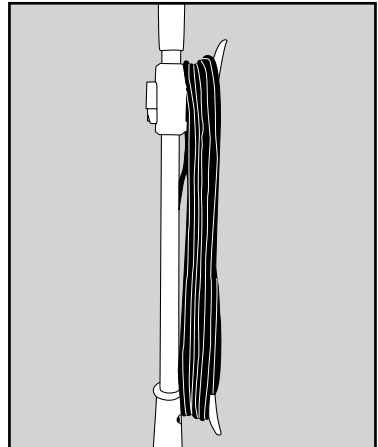
- Remove the handle screw taped to the front of the machine's handle base. Insert the handle downward into the base with the upper cord hook facing the back of the machine. Insert screw and tighten.



- Push the handle forward until it lays flat on the floor in front of the machine with the cord hooks facing up. Thread the cord through the cord guides on the handle base and at the top of the handle and below the upper cord hook. It is important to thread the cord through the guides while the handle is laying flat on the floor so that the cord is not pulled too tight.



- Turn the upper cord hook to the upright position and wind the power cord around the cord storage hooks when storing the applicator.



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Unwinding the power cord

- The upper cord hook rotates to allow for quick access to the power cord. Fig. 1

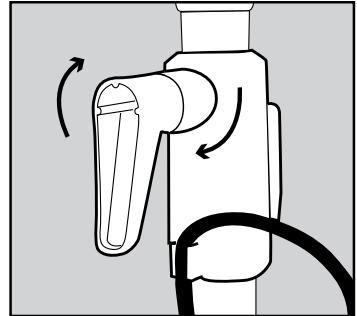


Fig. 1

On/Off pedal

- Locate the pedal on the side of the nozzle to the left of the handle. Simply press the pedal with your foot to turn the applicator on or off. Fig. 2
- Turn the applicator off before unplugging it from an electrical outlet.

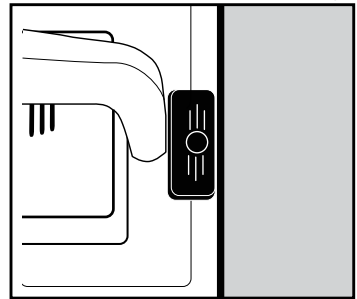


Fig. 2

Adjusting the handle

- The handle can be extended by pushing the handle release button and pulling the handle out or pushing the handle in to the desired length. Fig. 3

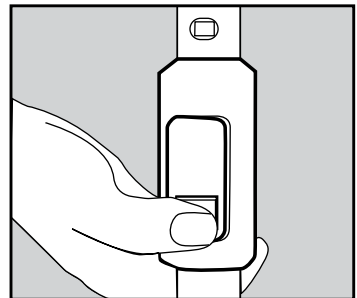


Fig. 3

Carpet height adjustment

There are four carpet height settings available designed for various types of carpet.

- Locate the height adjustment dial on top of the nozzle and rotate the dial to the height setting that corresponds with the carpet type in the room in which you are going to use the applicator. Fig. 4
- If it becomes difficult to push the applicator across the carpet, adjust the dial to a higher carpet setting.

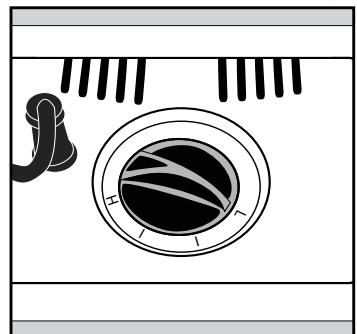
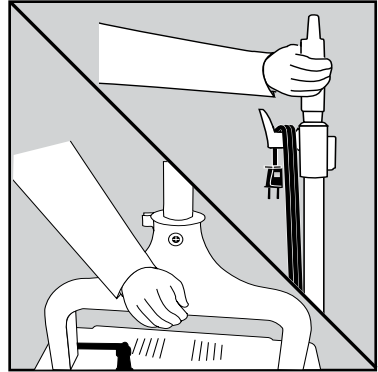


Fig. 4

Operation

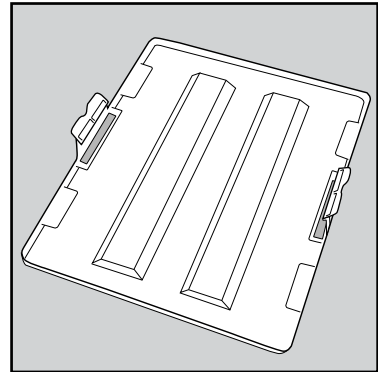
Carrying the applicator

- To safely transport your applicator, especially when carrying it up and down stairs, simply grasp the handle or the handle base.



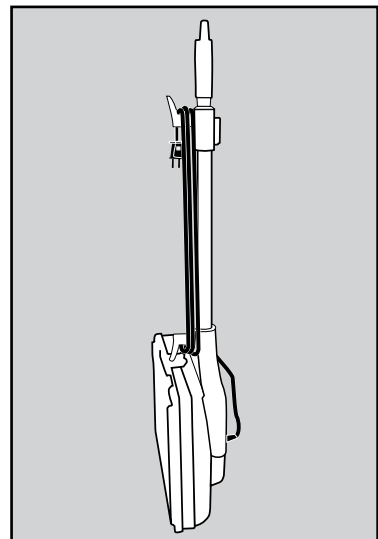
Applicator storage tray

- The applicator should always be stored in the storage tray when not in use. The storage tray protects the cleaning brushes from bending and prevents any cleaning powder that may still be inside the applicator from falling out when the applicator is stored.
- To remove the storage tray from the bottom of the applicator press down on one of the release tabs and lift the applicator up from the tray.
- To replace the storage tray, push the applicator down into the tray until the release tabs lock the tray into place.



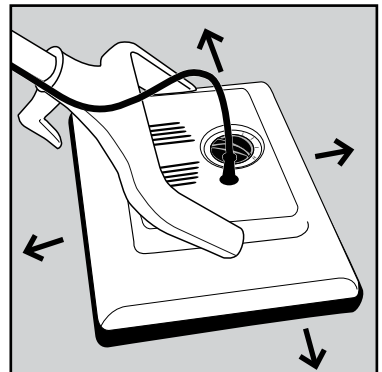
Storing the applicator

- To neatly store your applicator, push the handle release button while pressing the handle downward to shorten the handle tube. The applicator can be hung flat against a wall by lifting the base up into a locked position where the storage tray release tab is directly below the lower cord hook. Use the hole in the handle to hang the unit from a wall-mounted hook.



Cleaning procedures

- Vacuum thoroughly to remove dirt and debris from the carpet and/or rugs.
- Use **Riccar's Pre-treatment and Carpet Rejuvenator Spray** to loosen stains and rejuvenate carpet fibers.
- Hold bottle approximately 2 feet from carpet. Lightly spray heavily soiled and high-traffic areas. Wait at least 5 minutes before treating entire carpet with dry cleaning powder.
- Use **Riccar's Dry Carpet Cleaner Powder**. Sprinkle enough dry cleaning powder to completely cover the area according to the instructions on the product's packaging.
- Remove the storage tray from the bottom of the applicator by pressing down on one of the release tabs and lifting the applicator up from the tray.
- Plug the applicator into an electrical outlet and press the on/off pedal.
- Push the applicator in forward and backward directional movements, then rotate your position 90 degrees and repeat. This cross pattern will activate the cleaning powder and thoroughly work the product into your carpet.
- Wait 30 minutes or until carpet is completely dry, then vacuum up the dirt, stains, allergens and activated cleaning powder. Repeat if necessary.

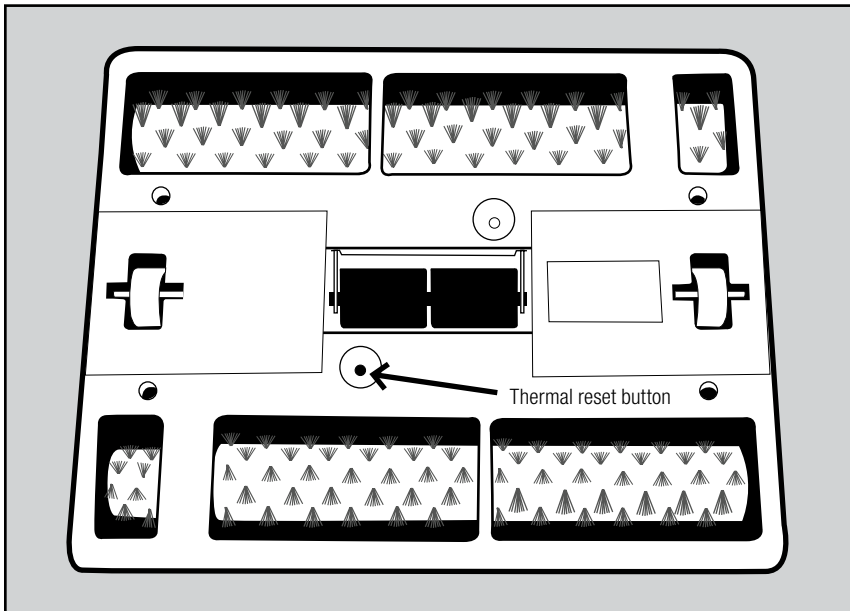


Problem Solving Guide

Thermal Motor Protection

Your Carpet Keeper is equipped with a safeguard to recognize when the applicator is running too hot and shuts itself down to protect the motor. Running your applicator with the air vents blocked or getting a small object like a sock wrapped around one of the brushrolls preventing it from spinning freely are the most common causes for overheating.

- Turn off the applicator and unplug the power cord.
- Inspect the applicator brushrolls for a jammed object and remove it.
- Locate the thermal motor reset button on the bottom of the nozzle. Press the reset button. Plug in the power cord and turn the applicator on.
- If the applicator fails to turn on, return it to an Authorized Riccar Retailer for service.



Trouble Shooting Guide

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE REASON	POSSIBLE SOLUTION
Applicator won't turn on	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Power cord not firmly plugged in• Jammed brushroll • Blown fuse or tripped breaker • Needs service	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plug power cord in firmly into outlet• Remove jammed object and push thermal reset button• Check house fuse or breaker. Replace fuse / reset breaker.• Take to Authorized Retailer (1-888-6-RICCAR)
I ran over an object and it's stuck in the bottom of the applicator	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The object is wrapped around one of the brushrolls	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Switch the applicator off, turn the nozzle over, remove the object and push the thermal reset button

Any other service should be done by an Authorized Service Representative.

Service 1-888-6-RICCAR

To locate your nearest retailer, visit our website at
www.riccar.com

Warranty

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What is Covered:

This warranty covers any defects in material and workmanship in your new Riccar Carpet Keeper Dry Carpet Cleaner Applicator and applies exclusively to the original purchaser.

How Long Coverage Lasts:

Warranty coverage for the Riccar Carpet Keeper Dry Carpet Cleaner Applicator lasts one year. Household models used commercially are only warranted for 90 days.

What is Not Covered:

- Damage to the applicator which occurs from neglect, abuse, alterations, accident, misuse or improper maintenance.

What Riccar Will Do:

This warranty provides, at no cost to you, all labor and parts to place this applicator in correct operating condition during the warranted period.

How to Get Service:

Warranty service can only be obtained by presenting the applicator to an Authorized Riccar Retailer. A proof-of-purchase and product serial number will be required before service is rendered. To locate your nearest Riccar Retailer, please call 1-888-6-RICCAR or visit www.riccar.com.

THIS WARRANTY IS EXCLUSIVE AND IN LIEU OF ANY AND ALL OTHER WARRANTIES WHETHER WRITTEN, ORAL, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, (INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE). THIS WARRANTY DISCLAIMS LIABILITY FOR INCIDENTAL, OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.

How State Law Applies:

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

Owner's Information (keep this for your records)

The model and serial number of this product may be found on the back side of the unit. You should note the model and serial number of your unit in the spaces provided below, and retain this book as a permanent record of your purchase.

Date of purchase _____

Serial number _____

Model number _____

Purchased from:

Store name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone _____

For Best Performance:

- Keep your dry carpet cleaner applicator clean and in good operating condition.
- Always use genuine replacement parts. Use of other products may result in poor cleaning performance, potential applicator damage and may void the warranty.
- Have your applicator checked periodically by your Authorized Riccar Retailer.
- Use only Authorized Riccar Retailers for parts or service.
- Store your applicator carefully in a dry area.
- For optimum performance and safety, follow your owner's manual instructions.

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