

# LAVEX BACKPACK VACUUM OWNER'S MANUAL

Model: 457LAVBP8QT

120V 12A, 1400W ETL US Canada



## **IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

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

#### READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THIS APPLIANCE

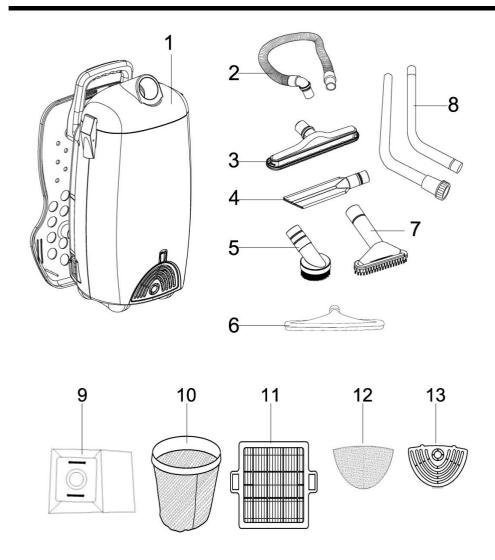
#### **WARNING**

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

- 1. Do not leave vacuum cleaner when plugged in. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before servicing.
- 2. Electrical shock may occur if used outdoors or on wet surfaces.
- 3. Do not allow to be used as a toy. Close attention is necessary when used by or near children.
- 4. Use only as described in this manual. Use only manufacturer's recommended instructions.
- 5. 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, contact Lavex Janitorial.
- 6. Do not pull or carry by cord, use cord as a handle, close a door on cord, or pull cord around sharp edges of corners. Do not run appliance over cord. Keep cord away from heated surfaces.
- 7. Do not unplug by pulling on cord. To unplug, grasp plug, not the cord.
- 8. Do not handle plug or appliance with wet hands.
- 9. Do not put any object into openings. Do not use with any opening blocked; keep free of dust, lint, hair, and anything that may reduce airflow.
- 10. Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers, and all body parts away from openings and moving parts.
- 11. Do not pick up anything that is burning or smoking such as cigarettes, matches or hot ashes.
- 12. Do not use without filters in place.
- 13. Turn off all controls before unplugging.
- 14. Use extra care when cleaning on stairs.
- 15. Do not use to pick up any liquids, including flammable or combustible liquids such as gasoline or use in areas where they may be present.
- 16. Connect to a properly grounded outlet only.
- 17. This appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory, or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety. Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.

#### SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS!

### **GETTING TO KNOW YOUR LAVEX VACUUM**



- 1. Replacement 1.5" Lid Grey (457BPLID)
- 2. Replacement Hose 1.5" (457BPHOSE5)
- 3. Floor Tool w/Scallops 1.5" (457BPFTS)
- 4. Crevice Tool 1.5" (457BPCREVICE)
- 5. Round Dusting Brush 1.5" (457BPBRUSHO)
- 6. Floor Tool with Bristles 1.5" (457BPFTB)
- 7. Upholstery Tool w/Brush 1.5" (457BPBRUSHU)
- 8. 1.5" Aluminum Wand (457BPWANDH "hose end" and 1.5" 457BPWANDU "utensil end")
- 9. HEPA Bag (457BAG8QT)
- 10. Reusable Cloth Shake-Out Bag (457BAGSHAKE)
- 11 & 12. HEPA Pre-Motor Filter and Exhaust Filter Set (457BPFILKIT)
- 13. Exhaust Filter Cover (457BP18)

## **Operating Instructions**

<u>Warning</u>: To reduce the risk of electric shock, the power cord must be disconnected from the wall outlet before removing and replacing filters or performing maintenance.

#### Replacing the HEPA Bag

1. To open the canister lid, pull up the canister lid tabs on each side of the unit and remove canister lid. (Fig.1)

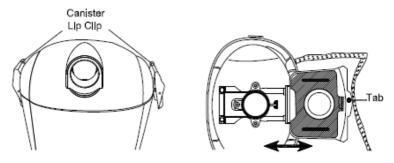
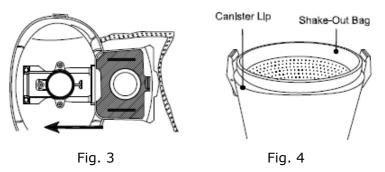


Fig. 1 Fig. 2

- 2. Pull the tab on the HEPA bag holder out slightly and flip upwards. (Fig. 2)
- 3. Holding the HEPA bag in your hand, slide/pull it out of the bag holder and dispose.
- 4. Insert/slide new bag. Cardboard face should rest securely in the bag cover guides. (Fig. 3)



## **Cleaning the Cloth Shake-Out Bag**

- 1. Remove the Shake-out bag from the canister. Hold the handle of the bag shaking vigorously over a garbage receptacle and preferably outdoors. (Fig. 4)
- 2. As necessary, hand wash the cloth shake-out bag with warm water and let it air dry before reinserting it onto canister lip. Inspect shake-out bag regularly for tears or damage. Replace shake-out bag if damaged or torn.

#### Cleaning or Replacing the HEPA Pre-Motor Filter

Important Please Note: The HEPA pre-motor filter will stop most of the tiniest dust particles and airborne allergens from re-entering the air you breathe. Because of this incredible filtration performance, the HEPA pre-motor filter will accumulate many fine dust particles that are difficult to see. Be assured that the HEPA pre-motor filter is doing the job. Clean the HEPA pre-motor filter when dirty as described in this section.

- 1. Remove the shake-out bag from the canister. The HEPA pre-motor filter is located underneath the shake-out bag. To remove the HEPA pre-motor filter, place your index finger underneath the edge of the premotor filter, and using your thumb press the tab toward the center of the filter to release, then lift the side of the HEPA pre-motor filter and pull upwards on filter.
- 2. Vigorously tap clean the HEPA pre-motor filter on a hard surface to remove any residual dust that might still be on the HEPA pre-motor filter.
- 3. You can wash the HEPA pre-motor filter by running it under the tap and allowing the water to run on the dirty side at least once a month or when suction appears to be decreased.
- 4. Shake off any excess water and allow to dry completely before reinserting it.
- 5. Replace the Pre-Motor Filter if it cannot be cleaned or if damaged.
- 6. To reinsert, place filter over the tabs and press down. You should hear two "clicks" if installed correctly. (Fig. 5)

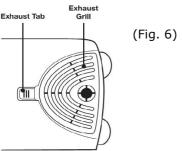


Wash or Replace at least once a year or when suction appears reduced. **WARNING** 

Allow 24 hours for drying before replacing in unit.

## Cleaning the Exhaust Filter

- 1. Pull up and hold the exhaust tab and pull out the exhaust cover. (Fig. 6)
- 2. Remove the exhaust filter.
- 3. As necessary, hand wash or replace the cloth filter with tap water and let dry before reinserting it.



## **Assembling Your Vacuum**

Push/press fit the hose into the lid opening. (Fig 7)



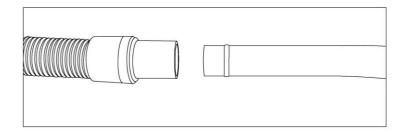


Fig. 8

Fig. 7

- To connect the hose and attachment wand, slide the hose over the hose end wand attachment and over the bump by approx. ½ inch. (Fig. 8)
- Take the hose end attachment wand and connect to the lower attachment wand (utensil end). (Fig.9)

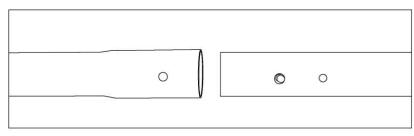


Fig. 9

• Secure the utensil to the end of wand. Align the brass ring with the groove on the tool to ensure a secure fit (Fig. 10)

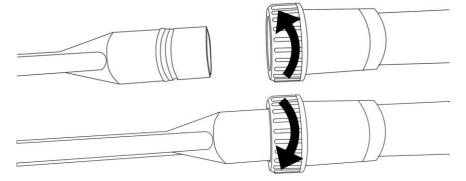


Fig.10

## **Using Your Vacuum**

- 1. Connect the extension cord to extension cord relief (Fig 12) and connect vacuum plug to extension cord. Plug extension cord into the electrical outlet.
- 2. Connect hose and wand and/or utensil.
- 3. Correctly place shoulder straps on each shoulder and secure the waist band with hook and loop strips. (Fig. 11)

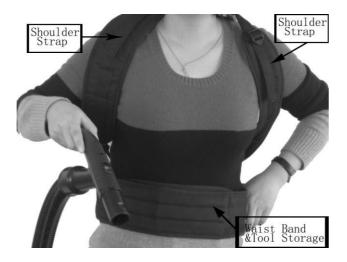


Fig. 11

Step 1: Plug vacuum cord into extension cord.



Step 2: Make a loop with the extension cord.



Fig. 12

Step 3: Put loop through extension cord relief.



Step 4: Put extension cord around the hook and pull the cord tight.



#### **Warranty/Service Information:**

The Lavex Vacuum Limited Warranty: To the original user purchasing the Lavex Vacuum, warrants that the vacuum will be free of defects in material and manufacture for a period of one (1) year from the date of purchase. Should any failure to conform to this warranty appear within this period, Lavex Janitorial will, at its option, repair or replace the defective product.

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