

**PACIFIC**

# WET/DRY VACUUMS

## MODELS GULPER 12SS GULPER 16SS

### OPERATING & MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

### INTRODUCTION

#### READ THIS BOOK

This operator's book has important information for the use and safe operation of this machine. Read this book carefully before starting the machine. Keep this book and tell all operators to read the book. If you do not follow the instructions, you can cause an injury or damage equipment, furniture or buildings.

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Carefully inspect all components to ensure that there is no concealed freight damage. If such damage is discovered, file a "CONCEALED DAMAGE REPORT" immediately with the delivering carrier.

The contents of this manual are based on the latest product information available at the time of publication. Pacific reserves the right to make changes or improvements to its machines without notice.

**FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE, RECORD THE MACHINE  
MODEL AND SERIAL NUMBER:**

MODEL \_\_\_\_\_

SERIAL NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

PART NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

DATE PURCHASED \_\_\_\_\_

# IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

## READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL WARNINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THIS MACHINE!

### **WARNING! To reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury:**

1. You must be trained to operate this machine. This machine is to be operated for its intended use only.
2. Do not operate this machine unless it is completely assembled.
3. Always use a three-wire electrical system connected to the electrical ground. For maximum protection against electrical shock, use a circuit that is protected by a ground fault circuit interrupter. Consult your electrical contractor.
4. To prevent electrical shock: Always remove the electrical plug from the electrical outlet before performing any repairs, maintenance or cleanup and when leaving the machine unattended.
5. To prevent electrical shock: Keep the machine surface dry; Do not subject to rain; Store the machine in a dry building area; Clean the machine with a dry cloth only.
6. Machines can cause an explosion when near flammable materials and vapors. Do not use or store this machine with or near fuels, grain dust, solvents, thinners, or other flammable materials. Do not use flammables to clean this machine.
7. Maintenance and repairs must be done by a qualified or authorized person.
8. If the machine is not working as it should, has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors, or dropped into water, return it to a service center.
9. To avoid damage to the machine's electrical cord, always lift the machine over the cord. Do not run the machine over the electrical cord.
10. Make sure all labels, decals, warnings, cautions and instructions are fastened to the machine.

## Grounding Instructions

This machine must be grounded. If it should malfunction or break down, grounding provides a path of least resistance for electric current to reduce the risk of electric shock. This machine is equipped with a cord having an equipment-grounding conductor and grounding plug. The plug must be inserted into an appropriate outlet that is properly installed and grounded in accordance with all local codes and ordinances.

**WARNING** - Improper connection of the equipment-grounding conductor can result in a 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 machine - if it will not fit the outlet, have a proper outlet installed by a qualified electrician.

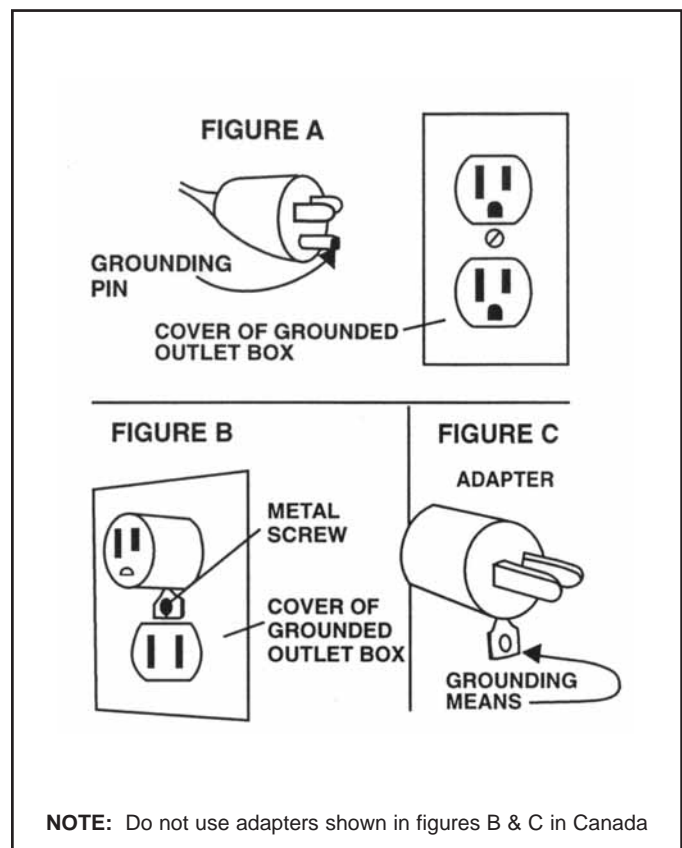
This machine is for use on a nominal 120-volt circuit, and has a grounded plug that looks like the plug illustrated in figure A. A temporary adapter that looks like the adapter illustrated in figures B and C may be used to connect this plug to a 2-pole receptacle as shown in figure B if a properly grounded outlet is not available. The temporary adapter should be used only until a properly grounded outlet (figure A) can be installed by a qualified electrician. The green colored rigid ear, 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.

*NOTE: In Canada, the use of a temporary adapter is not permitted by the Canadian Electrical Code*

### **EXTENSION CORDS**

Use only three-wire 16/3 or larger gauge approved extension cords that have three-prong grounding type plugs and three-pole receptacles that accept the appliance's plug. Replace or repair any damaged cords or plugs.

When servicing, refer to authorized person only. Use only identical replacement parts.



# OPERATING PROCEDURES

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**WARNING!** For the safe operation of this machine follow the instructions given in this booklet and the training given by your supervisor. Failure to do so can result in personal injury and/or damage to machine and property!

## **DO NOT OPERATE MACHINE IN AN EXPLOSIVE ENVIRONMENT!**

To prepare the machine for operation, make sure it is of the correct voltage and properly assembled. If in doubt, ask your supervisor.

### **FOR DRY PICK-UP:**

“Dry” refers to material such as dust, dirt, debris and dry foam shampoo.

1. Release the clamp on each side of the tank and head assembly. Lift the head assembly off and set it aside.
2. Empty the collector tank of all dust and debris. If the debris is wet, empty and dry the inside of the tank thoroughly.
4. Replace the head assembly and fasten both clamps. Attach the hose, wand and floor tool of choice.
6. Plug the power cord into a 115-volt, 60 cycle grounded outlet.
7. Turn the machine’s motor on by pressing the rocker switch which is located on the head assembly.

**WARNING! NEVER USE THIS MACHINE TO PICK UP VOLATILE OR EXPLOSIVE MATERIALS.**

### **FOR WET PICK-UP:**

“Wet” refers to liquids such as water, scrub solutions and detergents; **NOT VOLATILE OR EXPLOSIVE MATERIALS.**

1. Release the clamp on each side of the tank and head assembly. Lift the head assembly off and set it aside.
2. Empty the collector tank by either tilting and pouring or using the drain hose by removing the drain hose (see page 6, item 38) out of the clip located on the front, right of the tank and pulling out the stopper on the hose once you have it where you want to empty the unit. Once all debris is removed, wipe the inside of the tank to remove clinging debris. Also remove the HEPA filter (see page 6, item 19) by flipping the head assembly over and pulling up on the filter where it meets the float assembly hub. Rinse the HEPA filter in a sink to clear it of any debris.
3. While HEPA filter is off, check the float shut-off device on the lower portion of the head assembly. The float should have free movement. When the recovered liquid soilage reaches the collector tank capacity, the float will rise to shut off the air flow, stopping the liquid recovery. This prevents damaging overflow and signals the operator when to empty the collector tank.
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6. Turn the machine’s motor on by pressing the rocker switch which is located on the head assembly.

# MAINTENANCE

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Good maintenance procedures assure better operation, fewer repairs and longer life to your machine.

**DISCONNECT THE ELECTRICAL PLUG OF THE MACHINE FROM THE ELECTRICAL OUTLET BEFORE DOING ANY CLEANUP, REPAIRS OR MAINTENANCE OF THE MACHINE AND WHEN LEAVING THE MACHINE UNATTENDED.**

**CLEAN THE MACHINE AFTER EACH USE:**

1. **Wipe the outside with a clean cloth.**
2. **Clean the collector tank:** Release the clamps on each side of the tank and head assembly. Lift the head assembly off and set aside. Wipe the inside of the collector tank with a clean cloth.
3. **Clean the HEPA filter:** Remove the HEPA filter by flipping the head assembly upside down and pulling up on the base of the filter where it slides onto the float assembly. Rinse in a sink and let air dry.

**ELECTRICAL CABLE:**

Check the cord for any nicks, cuts or damage. Report these to your supervisor for correction.

**VACUUM HEAD ASSEMBLY:**

1. **Gaskets:** Clean the vacuum head gasket and the float shut-off gasket.
2. **Float Shut-Off Device:** This should move freely. Remove any debris or strings from the float cage.
3. **Head Assembly:** Replace and leave ajar if the collector tank is damp to prevent mildew.

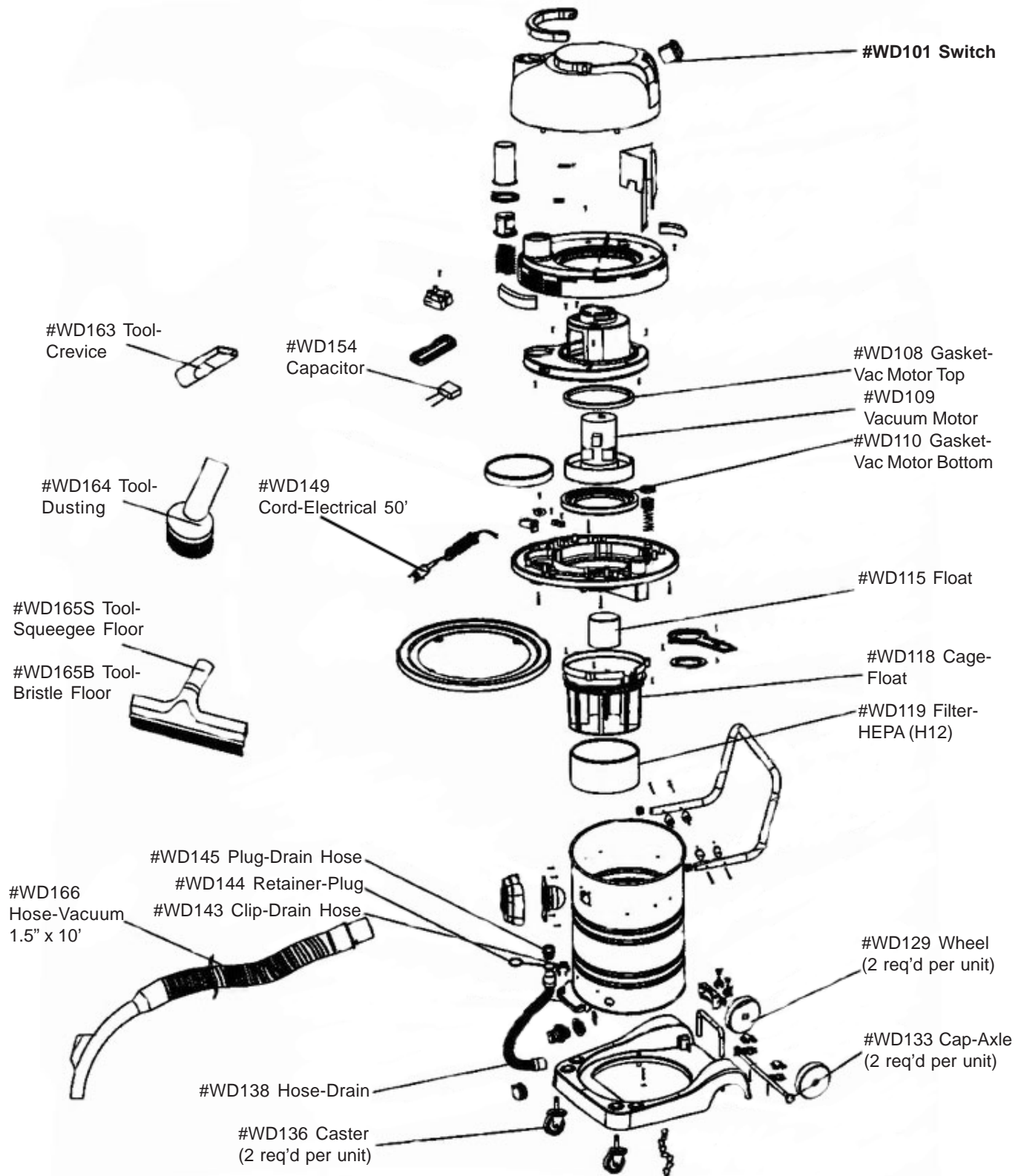
**WHEELS AND CASTERS:**

Check these for cuts and nicks. Remove any strings or debris that may restrict the free movement of the wheels. Wipe the treads clean.



# GULPER 12SS & 16SS

Pacific will be offering the following service parts:



**Not Shown:**

WD168 Optional Blower Hose  
 WD169 Wand (2 Pc. Set)

## WARRANTY POLICY GULPER 12SS & 16SS WET/DRY VACUUMS

The **Pacific** Gulper 12SS & 16SS Wet/Dry Vacuums have been manufactured, tested and inspected in accordance with specific engineering requirements and is **WARRANTED** to be free from defects in workmanship and materials as follows:

One (1) year - All components unless excluded below.

This warranty extends to the original user/purchaser and only when used, operated and maintained in accordance with **Pacific** Operating and Maintenance instructions.

This warranty does not apply to certain wear parts and accessories of the machine such as electrical cords, floor brushes, hoses, tools, filters, casters, wheels, etc. Nor does it apply to damage or failure caused by improper use, abuse or neglect. Warranty credit or replacement of return parts including motors, etc., is subject to incoming inspection of those items.

To secure repair under this warranty, the following procedure should be taken:

- The inoperative machine or warranted parts must be delivered to the authorized dealer with shipping and delivery charges prepaid. If unable to locate the Dealer, you may contact **Pacific** at the address listed herein for the location of the nearest **Pacific** repair center or agent or for other instructions pertaining to your warranty difficulty.
- Upon compliance with the above warranty procedure, all warranted repairs would be completed at no additional charge or cost to the user.
- Only **Pacific** or its authorized dealers and agents may make no charge warranty repairs on this product. All others do so at their own risk.

This warranty limits **Pacific** liability to the repair of the product and/or warranted parts replacement and does not include incidental or consequential damages arising from the use of a **Pacific** machine whether defective or not.

This warranty is in lieu of all other expressed or implied warranties and is extended to the original purchaser/user.



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