

**Read Manual Before Operating System**

*Read the owner's manual thoroughly before operating to ensure the most efficient use of the system.*



**Attention Installer:** Please be sure this manual and warranty information are left with the power unit or customer when installation is complete.

Operating Instructions For

**VACUFLO®**

Central Vacuum Systems

**True Cyclonic Models:**

260, 466Q, 566Q, 760 & MaxAir

**Filtered Cyclonic Models:**

FC300, FC550, FC550-C, FC650,  
FC650-C & FC1550

**Disposable Bag Models:**

DB3000, DB5000, DB7000,  
DB8000 & DB9000

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Dealer Name \_\_\_\_\_

Dealer Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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



Models	UL File Ref. #	ETL File Ref. #
FC300	77100	N/A
FC550	77125	N/A
FC550-C	77125	N/A
FC650	77130	N/A
FC650-C	77130	N/A
FC1550	77250	N/A
260	Model 260	N/A
466Q	Model 466Q	N/A
566Q	Model 566Q	N/A
760	Model 760	N/A
MAXAIR	N/A	88100
DB3000	N/A	77400
DB5000	N/A	77500
DB7000	N/A	77600
DB8000	N/A	77800
DB9000	N/A	88200

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This manual contains canister and maintenance instructions for three (3) different filtration methods. Please be sure to follow the appropriate instructions for your power unit model number (found on the front of the canister).

**To find links to maintenance videos, downloadable manuals, troubleshooting and warranty information or to register your system, please visit [www.centralvacservice.com](http://www.centralvacservice.com).**

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

### Read These Instructions Before Using This Vacuum System

Installation of this product should be made by a qualified, authorized central vacuum dealer. Before installing, using, or servicing this product, the installer should carefully read and fully understand the instructions including all warnings, cautions, and safety notice statements. To reduce the risk of personal injury, death and/or property damage, follow all instructions for proper installation, operation and maintenance. These instructions are not intended as a complete listing of all details for installation, operation and maintenance. If you have any questions concerning any of these procedures, STOP, and call an authorized central vacuum dealer.

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

## **WARNING: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE, ELECTRIC SHOCK OR INJURY:**

- Unplug and disconnect power before servicing.
- 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. Use only manufacturer's recommended attachments.
- 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 an authorized servicing dealer.
- Do not pull or carry by cord, use cord as a handle, close a door on 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 system or appliance with wet hands.
- Use extra care when cleaning on stairs.
- Do not use on wet surfaces.
- Do not put any object into openings. Do not use with an opening blocked. Keep openings free of dust, lint, hair and anything that may reduce airflow.
- Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers, and all parts of body away from openings and moving parts.
- Do not pick up anything that is burning or smoking, such as cigarettes, matches, or hot ashes.
- Connect to a properly grounded outlet. See grounding instructions.
- Turn off all controls before unplugging.
- Do not use to pick up flammable or combustible liquids such as gasoline or use in areas where they may be present.
- Do not place or store anything on top of power unit- overheating of motor could occur.
- Any service work required under the top cover should be performed by an authorized service representative.
- Do not operate without filter/disposable bag in place (if applicable).
- Always turn off this appliance before connecting or disconnecting motorized nozzle.

## CONNECT TO A PROPERLY GROUNDED OUTLET ONLY.

### GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS

This appliance 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 appliance is equipped with a cord having an equipment-grounding conductor and grounding plug. The plug must be plugged into an appropriate outlet that is properly installed and grounded in accordance with all local codes and ordinances.

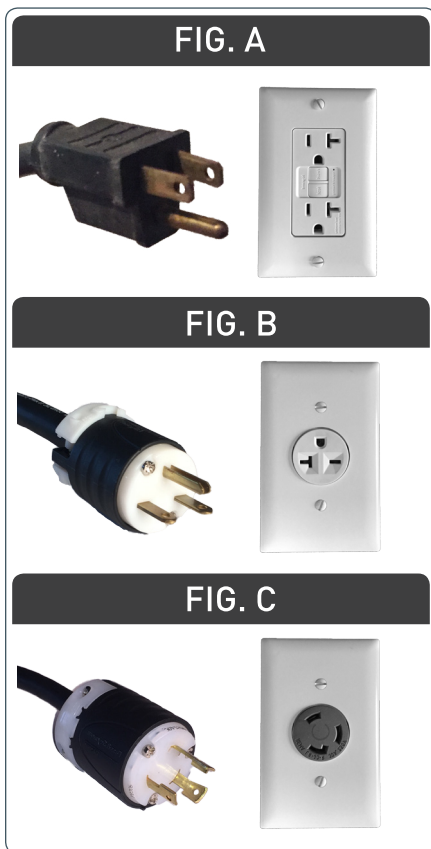
### WARNING

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 appliance. If it will not fit the outlet, have a proper outlet installed by a qualified electrician.

Models FC300, FC550, FC650, 260, 466Q, 566Q, DB3000, DB5000, DB7000 and DB8000 are for use on a nominal 120 volt circuit and have a grounding plug that looks like the plug in Fig. A.

Models FC1550, DB9000 & MaxAir dual motor units are for use on a nominal 240 volt circuit and have a grounding plug that looks like the plug in Fig. B.

Model 760 dual motor unit is for use on a nominal 120 volt circuit and has a grounding plug that looks like the plug illustrated in Fig. C.



Make sure that the appliance is connected to an outlet having the same configuration as the plug. No adapter should be used with this appliance.

## SAVE THESE SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Intended For Household and Light Commercial Use. Do not vent into a wall, a ceiling, or concealed space of a building or structure.



### WARNING:

Electric shock could occur if used on wet surfaces.

### CAUTION:

Do not use on a wet rug or floor.



True Cyclonic®

Filtered Cyclonic™

Disposable Bag

## GENERAL INFORMATION

The central vacuum is designed to vacuum ordinary household dirt and dust. The system is designed for dry pickup. A WetVac accessory is needed if the system will be used for liquid pickup.

The central vacuum system is a network of inlet valves, 2" PVC tubing, and low voltage wiring installed in the walls of your home. The dirt is transported through the in-wall tube system back to the dirt canister (removable lower portion of the power unit).

## REGISTRATION



To register your VACUFLO® System warranty in the United States and Canada, register online at **www.cvacregistration.com** or fill out and mail the warranty card located with this manual.

Proof of purchase or registration of your VACUFLO System is required before any warranty work will be performed by an authorized VACUFLO dealer. Registration ensures a fast and easy resolution to your warranty requirements.

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Using the central vacuum system is easy. For standard systems, simply raise the inlet valve lid, insert the hose end and attach the desired cleaning tool to the hose wand. The power unit is activated when the hose is inserted into the valve. Please refer to accessory instructions for further specifics on usage.



## GENERAL POWER UNIT MAINTENANCE

The simple care and maintenance instructions included here will help ensure trouble-free use of your central vacuum system.

- Do not place objects on top of the power unit. The motor could overheat.
- Do not allow the motor to remain ON unless a hose is connected or an inlet valve is open. If airflow is not permitted to flow through fan blades, motor damage could occur.
- Do not operate without the filter in place in models FC300, FC550, FC650 & FC1550. Change the filter at least once per year.
- Do not operate without a disposable bag in place in models DB3000, DB5000, DB7000, DB8000 & DB9000. Use disposable bag 9637 in model DB3000 and 9520 in models DB5000, DB7000, DB8000 & DB9000.
- Empty the dirt canister when it is 2/3 full.
- The power unit does not require any lubrication.
- The exterior of the power unit can be wiped with a clean, dry cloth. Do not use liquid cleaners or water as an electrical shock may occur.
- For additional service contact the qualified servicing dealer written on the front of this manual or locate an authorized dealer online at [www.vacuflo.com](http://www.vacuflo.com).



## **FILTERED CYCLONIC™ MAINTENANCE EMPTYING THE DIRT CANISTER & MAINTAINING THE FILTER**

**For Filtered Cyclonic™ Models: FC300, FC550, FC650 & FC1550**

The dirt canister is the removable lower portion of the power unit. The canister needs to be removed and emptied when it is 2/3 full. The filter should be replaced at least once a year.



**NOTE:** When the dirt canister is removed the cyclonic cone will be visible. The cone is held in place with a friction seal designed to hold the cone to the body of the power unit when the canister is removed. The cone can be removed by pulling on it. This allows access to the filter.

### **Follow These Steps (refer to Figures 1-4) Make sure the power unit is OFF.**

1. Unlatch and remove the dirt canister. Latches are located on opposite sides of the power unit. (Fig. 1)
2. Remove the cyclonic cone. (Fig. 2)
3. Turn the filter latch (counter-clockwise) on the bottom of the filter and align it with the slots in the filter base. (Fig. 3)
4. Remove the filter and gently tap it on the inside of the dirt canister to remove the loose dirt and debris. The filter should be replaced at least once a year. If it is time to replace it, models FC300, FC550 and FC650 can use any of the 7" or 10" filters and model FC1550 can use either 10" filter available. (Fig. 4)

7" Filter - 8106-01, 10" Filters - 8107-01, 8107-01-HEPA

5. Lock the filter in place by turning the filter latch clockwise until you feel it snap into place. (Fig. 3)
6. Dispose of the dirt and debris captured in the dirt canister.
7. Seat the cyclonic cone on the dirt canister.
8. Raise the dirt canister to the base of the power unit and engage the latches. Be certain the dirt canister is seated properly to the gasket on the body of the power unit.





## TRUE CYCLONIC® MAINTENANCE EMPTYING THE DIRT CANISTER & CLEANING THE GUARD SCREEN

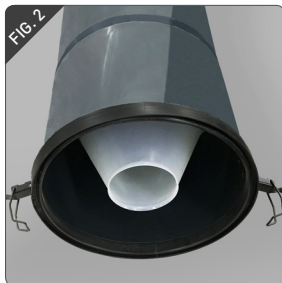
**For True Cyclonic Models: 260, 466Q, 566Q, 760 & MaxAir**

The dirt canister is the removable lower portion of the power unit. The canister needs to be removed and emptied when it is  $\frac{3}{4}$  full. The motor guard screen should be cleaned each time you empty the dirt canister.

The motor guard screen is located directly above the dirt canister inside the power unit. The guard screen is NOT removable. It is designed to prevent lightweight fibers from entering the motor impeller blades. A buildup of material on the guard screen may result in a loss of vacuum.

### Follow These Steps (refer to Figures 1-3) Make sure the power unit is OFF.

1. Unlatch and remove the dirt canister. Latches are located on opposite sides of the power unit. (Fig. 1)
2. Remove the dirt canister. Hold or place the canister under the power unit to catch the debris removed from the guard screen. (Fig. 2)
3. Using a long handled brush, such as a clean toilet brush, insert the brush through the bottom of the dirt cone reaching to the guard screen. Gently sweep the screen to remove the debris. (Fig. 3)
4. Dispose of the dirt and debris captured in the dirt canister.
5. Raise the dirt canister to the proper location under the power unit and engage the latches. Be certain the dirt canister is seated properly to the gasket on the body of the power unit.





## DISPOSABLE BAG MAINTENANCE BAG REMOVAL & REPLACEMENT

For Disposable Bag Models: DB3000, DB5000, DB7000, DB8000  
& DB9000

The dirt canister is the removable lower portion of the power unit.

**Follow These Steps (refer to Figures 1-4)  
Make sure the power unit is OFF.**

1. Unlatch and remove the dirt canister. Latches are located on opposite sides of the power unit. (Fig. 1)
2. Remove the used bag by rotating the cardboard header and pulling down from the plastic bag adapter. (Fig. 2)
3. Pull off reorder information and seal the bag opening with adhesive flap. Discard used bag. (Fig. 3)
4. Install new bag by folding over the flap, exposing the hose and cardboard header. Do not remove reorder information from flap until ready for disposal. Align the slots in the bag collar with the tabs on the plastic bag adapter. Push the bag collar firmly onto the adapter and rotate 45° to ensure that the slots are no longer aligned with the tabs. (Fig. 2)
5. Raise the dirt canister to the base of the power unit and engage the latches. Be certain the dirt canister is seated properly to the gasket on the body of the power unit. (Fig. 4)



## TROUBLESHOOTING THE SYSTEM - ALL MODELS

### Motor Fails to Turn On

If the system fails to turn on when engaged, check the following:

- Check the main fuse or circuit breaker at the main power supply panel of your home. Reset breaker or replace fuses if necessary.
- Check the power unit reset button located about the power cord. Pressing the button should restore operation.
- If the circuit protector continues to trip after a short period of time the motor brushes may be worn out. Contact the qualified servicing dealer written on the front of this manual or locate an authorized dealer online at [www.vacuflo.com](http://www.vacuflo.com) for service.

### Loss of Vacuum

If the system shows a loss of vacuum power, check the following:

- The dirt canister may need cleaned or the filter/bag may need replaced—follow instructions in this guide, depending on unit type.
- The hose may be clogged- To check if there is an obstruction, unplug the hose and insert an object that is smaller than the diameter of the hose (a butter knife works well). Pass the object completely through the hose, if it stops, that will indicate where the obstruction is located. A dry garden hose can be inserted into the hose to help push the obstruction through.
- The dirt canister may not be properly seated to the gasket- Follow instructions in this guide for replacing the dirt canister on page 10 or 12, depending on unit type.
- Tube lines may be obstructed- First check the 90° elbow located directly behind the inlet valves, if an obstruction occurs it will usually not make it past this elbow. If the obstruction is not visible at the elbow, attempt to purge the tubing at each inlet valve. To do this, connect the hose and use your hand to stop airflow at the end of the hose for a couple seconds, let airflow resume. Repeat if necessary.
- If necessary, contact the qualified servicing dealer written on the front of this manual to perform required maintenance or locate an authorized dealer online at [www.vacuflo.com](http://www.vacuflo.com).

**Obtaining Service Under Warranty: To obtain repair on warranted parts, contact the seller of the system with the power unit serial number located on the power unit.**

# CONSIGNES DE SÉCURITÉ IMPORTANTES

Lisez ces instructions avant d'utiliser ce système de vide

L'installation de ce produit doit être effectuée par un concessionnaire agréé et agréé. Avant d'installer, d'utiliser ou d'entretenir ce produit, l'installateur doit lire attentivement et comprendre complètement les instructions, y compris tous les avertissements, mises en garde et déclarations de sécurité. Pour réduire le risque ou les blessures corporelles, le décès et/ou les dommages matériels, respectez toutes les instructions pour une installation, un fonctionnement et une maintenance appropriés. Ces instructions ne sont pas une liste complète de tous les détails pour l'installation, l'exploitation et la maintenance. Si vous avez des questions concernant l'une de ces procédures, arrêtez-la et appelez un revendeur autorisé de l'aspirateur central.

Lors de l'utilisation d'un appareil électrique, les précautions de base doivent toujours être suivies, y compris les suivantes:

## **AVERTISSEMENT: POUR RÉDUIRE LE RISQUE D'INCENDIE, D'ÉLECTROCUTION OU DE BLESSURE:**

- Débranchez et débranchez l'alimentation avant de procéder à l'entretien.
- Ne laissez pas être utilisé comme un jouet. Une attention particulière est nécessaire lorsqu'ils sont utilisés par des enfants ou à proximité d'enfants.
- Utilisez uniquement comme décrit dans ce manuel. Utilisez uniquement les pièces jointes recommandées par le fabricant.
- Ne pas utiliser avec un cordon ou une fiche endommagés. Si l'appareil ne fonctionne pas comme il se doit, il a été abandonné, endommagé, laissé à l'extérieur ou tombé dans l'eau, renvoyez-le à un concessionnaire agréé.
- Ne tirez ni ne le transportez par cordon, utilisez le cordon comme poignée, fermez une porte sur le cordon ou tirez le cordon autour des arêtes vives ou des coins.
- Ne coulez pas l'appareil sur le cordon.
- Tenir le cordon éloigné des surfaces chauffées.
- Ne débranchez pas en tirant sur le cordon. Pour débrancher, saisissez la fiche, pas le cordon.
- Ne manipulez pas le système ou l'appareil avec les mains humides.
- Faites attention en cas de nettoyage sur les escaliers.
- Ne pas utiliser sur des surfaces humides.
- Ne placez aucun objet dans les ouvertures. Ne pas utiliser avec une ouverture bloquée. Gardez les ouvertures sans poussière, peluches, cheveux et tout ce qui peut réduire le débit d'air.
- Gardez les cheveux, les vêtements lâches, les doigts et toutes les parties du corps loin des ouvertures et des pièces en mouvement.
- Ne retirez rien qui brûle ou fume, comme les cigarettes, les allumettes ou les cendres chaudes.
- Connectez-vous à une prise de courant correctement mise à la terre. Voir les instructions de mise à la terre.
- Éteignez toutes les commandes avant de débrancher.
- Ne pas utiliser pour retirer des liquides inflammables ou combustibles tels que de l'essence ou utiliser dans les endroits où ils peuvent être présents.



- Ne placez ni ne stockez rien au dessus de l'unité de puissance - une surchauffe du moteur pourrait se produire.
- Tout service de travail requis sous la couverture supérieure doit être effectué par un représentant agréé.
- Ne pas utiliser sans filtre/sac jetable en place (le cas échéant).
- Toujours éteindre cet appareil avant de brancher ou de débrancher la buse motorisée.

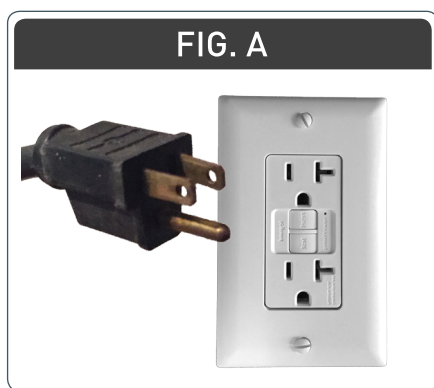
**Connectez-vous à une prise correctement mise à la terre uniquement.**

## INSTRUCTIONS DE MISE À LA TERRE

Cet appareil doit être mis à la terre. En cas de dysfonctionnement ou de panne, la mise à la terre offre un chemin de résistance au courant électrique pour réduire le risque de choc électrique. Cet appareil est équipé d'un cordon doté d'un conducteur de mise à la terre et d'une fiche de mise à la terre. La fiche doit être branchée sur une prise appropriée correctement installée et mise à la terre conformément à tous les codes et ordonnances locaux.

### ATTENTION

Une connexion incorrecte du conducteur de mise à la terre peut entraîner un risque de choc électrique. Vérifiez auprès d'un électricien ou d'un technicien qualifié si vous avez des doutes quant à la bonne mise à la terre du point de vente. Ne modifiez pas la fiche fournie avec l'appareil, si elle ne correspond pas à la prise; Avoir une prise appropriée installée par un électricien qualifié.



Les modèles FC300, FC550, FC650, 260, 466Q, 566Q, DB3000, DB5000, DB7000 et DB8000 sont destinés à être utilisés sur un circuit nominal de 120 volts et ont une fiche de mise à la terre qui ressemble à la fiche de la Fig. A.

Les modèles FC1550, DB9000 et MaxAir sont destinés à être utilisés sur un circuit nominal de 240 volts et ont une fiche de mise à la terre qui ressemble à la fiche illustrée à la Fig. B.

L'unité de moteur double modèle 760 est destinée à être utilisée sur un circuit nominal de 120 volts et possède une fiche de mise à la terre qui ressemble à la fiche illustrée dans la Fig. C.

Assurez-vous que l'appareil est connecté à une prise de courant ayant la même configuration que la fiche. Aucun adaptateur ne doit être utilisé avec cet appareil.



## ENREGISTRER CES CONSIGNES DE SÉCURITÉ

Usage réservé pur la maison ou emploi commercial léger.

**Ne pas évacuer dans un mur, un plafond ou un espace dissimulé d'un bâtiment ou d'une structure.**

### ATTENTION :

Un choc électrique pourrait se produire si utilisé sur des surfaces humides.

### MISE EN GARDE:

Ne pas utiliser sur un tapis ou un plancher humide.



## LIFETIME PLUS 1 RESIDENTIAL LIMITED WARRANTY

The VACUFLO® Built-In Central Vacuum System (the "VACUFLO System") is manufactured by H-P Products, Inc. ("H-P"), 512 W. Gorgas Street, Louisville, Ohio, 44641. The following is the exclusive limited warranty ("Limited Warranty") provided by H-P with respect to the VACUFLO System:

### Permanently Installed Components

All permanently installed components of the VACUFLO System are warranted to be free from defects in material and workmanship under normal use and care as long as the original purchaser ("you") owns the home of the original installation or until the system is removed from original installation location, whichever occurs first. In the event of a defect in a permanently installed component of the VACUFLO System, you must contact an authorized VACUFLO dealer (an "Authorized Dealer"). Upon determination of a defect with the permanently installed product, H-P will provide any replacement parts to the Authorized Dealer at no cost to you. For a period of one (1) year from the date of original installation, the Authorized Dealer will repair or replace, at H-P's option, any permanently installed defective part or parts at your location at no labor cost. Thereafter, the Authorized Dealer will repair or replace, at H-P's option, any permanently installed defective part or parts at your location at the labor cost billed to you by the Authorized Dealer.

### Attachments

VACUFLO System cleaning attachments including: turbine power brushes, non-electric hoses, Vroom, wands, tools and tool caddies are warranted to be free from defects in material and workmanship under normal use and care for three (3) years from original date of consumer purchase. Electric powerheads and hoses are warranted to be free from defects in material and workmanship under normal use and care for one (1) year from original date of purchase, as more fully set forth in the electric powerhead manual. In the event of a defect in a System cleaning attachment, H-P will provide, at its option, parts for repair or replacement to the Authorized Dealer at no cost to you for three (3) years from original date of consumer purchase.

### Limitations for Non-Residential Applications

In non-residential applications (a) permanently installed components of the VACUFLO System are warranted to be free from defects in material and workmanship for one (1) year from date of original installation, and (b) VACUFLO System cleaning attachments will be free from defects in material and workmanship for ninety (90) days from the original date of purchase.

### Limitations of Warranty

In addition to any limitations set forth above, this Limited Lifetime Warranty does not cover (a) any power unit purchased from someone other than an Authorized Dealer; (b) any VACUFLO System which has not been installed in accordance with manufacturer-recommended instructions; (c) any VACUFLO System or attachment which has been altered or modified in any way; (d) any VACUFLO System or attachment which has been damaged due to misuse, negligence, accident, or improper operation; (e) any damage due to shipping and handling; (f) any damage due to installation or faulty installation; (g) any VACUFLO System or attachment upon which an unauthorized repair or service has been performed; (h) any damage to a permanently installed component as a result of or relating to consumable items such as motor brushes, disposable bags, or filters; or (i) the Hide-A-Hose Retractable Hose Management System (for complete Hide-A-Hose warranty information please visit [www.vacuflo.com](http://www.vacuflo.com)). There is NO warranty for consumable items such as light bulbs, belts, beater brushes, motor brushes, disposable bags and filters.

AS A CONDITION PRECEDENT TO WARRANTY COVERAGE HEREUNDER, YOU MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF PURCHASE OR HAVE REGISTERED THE SYSTEM'S POWER UNIT BY TELEPHONE AT 1-800-822-8356 OR ONLINE AT [WWW.CVACREGISTRATION.COM](http://WWW.CVACREGISTRATION.COM), OR BY COMPLETING AND MAILING THE WARRANTY REGISTRATION CARD.

THIS WARRANTY IS A SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE WARRANTY. ALL OTHER WARRANTIES INCLUDING IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE ARE EXCLUDED. THIS WARRANTY COVERS ONLY LIABILITY AND RESPONSIBILITY DESCRIBED HEREIN AND THERE IS NO LIABILITY FOR ANY CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL OR SPECIAL DAMAGES ARISING FROM THE USE OF THIS SYSTEM.

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



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