

ABSTRACT

PORTABLE STEAM VACUUM CLEANER

A portable hand-held vacuum cleaner (10) is provided which includes a housing (12) having a handle portion (14) and a nozzle portion (18). A reservoir (44) is defined in the housing (12) for retaining cleaning solution or water, and a heating unit (50) is associated with the reservoir (44) for heating the liquid so as to generate steam for delivery to a surface to be cleaned. A motor driven fan assembly (22, 24 and 26) is disposed within the housing (12) in communication with the nozzle portion (18) for drawing excess liquid and debris into the nozzle portion (18). The nozzle portion (18) defines structure (28) for separating and containing the liquid which is drawn into the vacuum cleaner (10).

Figure 2.

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