

ABSTRACT

WAND ASSEMBLY FOR A DOMESTIC APPLIANCE

5 A wand for a domestic appliance (e.g. vacuum cleaner) comprises a plurality of tubes
(10, 20, 30, 40) which are dimensioned to telescope inside one another. Each tube (10,
20, 30, 40) is associated with a securing mechanism (15, 25, 35) for securing the tube in
an extended position with respect to another of the tubes. Adjacent securing
mechanisms (15, 25, 35) are positioned on their respective tubes such that, when the
10 tubes are retracted, one securing mechanism presses against another to release the other
securing mechanism. Thus, a user does not need to separately operate each securing
mechanism (15, 25, 35) when extending the wand. Also, the tubes automatically secure
themselves in an extended position with respect to one another. A hook (550) on the
widest tube (10') cooperates with a collar (610) on the narrowest tube (40') to retain the
15 tubes in a stored position.

Fig. 4



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