

# UltraVac

Automatic Pool Vacuum Cleaner Model 0-2035-000 Patent No. 5,794,293

**Owner's Guide** 

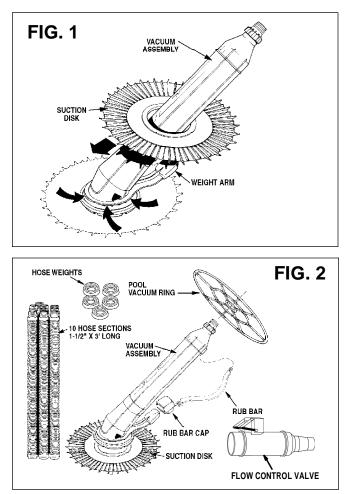


# CAUTIONS

- 1. Remove the vacuum from the pool prior to super chlorinating the water and do not re-install it for a minimum of four hours.
- 2. Do not operate the vacuum cleaner if excessive amounts of debris or large leaf clusters are in pool.
- 3. Do not allow swimmers in the pool while the vacuum cleaner is operating.
- 4. Keep skimmer and pump strainer baskets clean when operating the vacuum.
- Keep hose sections straight when cleaner is out of pool.

# PREPARATIONS

- Clean pool, removing any large debris.
- Backwash filter or clean filter element.
- Clean out all strainer baskets.
- Adjust return inlet flow direction downward at approximately 45°

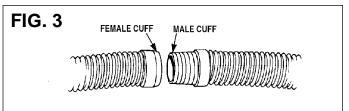


# **COMPONENTS ASSEMBLY**

With smooth side of suction disk facing downward, slip over top of vacuum assembly, stretching over weight arm and into slot indicated by arrows as shown above. Install rub bar cap over weight arm. Insert rub bar into openings in rub bar cap and vacuum housing strap receiver as shown below. SEE FIGS. 1 & 2.

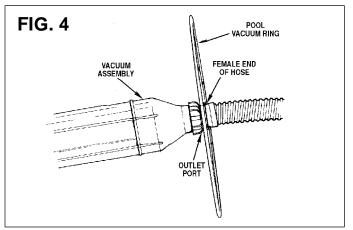
#### VACUUM HOSE

Join hose sections by inserting male cuff of one hose into the female cuff of another. Hose length should be pool length or diameter, plus one hose length. SEE FIG. 3.



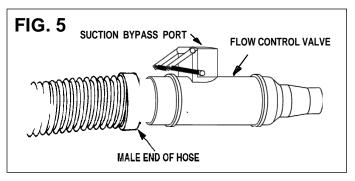
### CONNECT HOSE TO VACUUM

Place pool vacuum ring onto end of the vacuum assembly. Push female cuff end of hose onto the vacuum outlet port. Place vacuum into pool. SEE FIG. 4.



### INSTALL FLOW CONTROL VALVE

Insert the male cuff end of hose into the large end of the flow control valve. SEE FIG. 5  $\,$ 



The following four illustrations show different methods for connecting a vacuum hose depending on your type of pool, skimmer or suction port. Select the one similar to your pool and suction port. A universal adaptor is provided for use as shown in illustrations B and D. For illustration 'C', purchase an elbow adaptor from your pool dealer to fit your suction port and that will also receive the small end of the automatic flow control valve. NOTE: Flow control valve must be installed so that that bypass port is always below the pool water level.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

When connecting the vacuum hose to the suction port of your skimmer, **DO NOT route the hose over the pool wall**. Your pump could lose its prime if the vacuum rises far enough up the wall to allow air to enter the hose.

**FOR BEST RESULTS**, connect the hose with flow control valve directly to the skimmer faceplate suction port. Be sure to lower the skimmer lid to the top of the skimmer basket before operating your pump (see Fig. A).

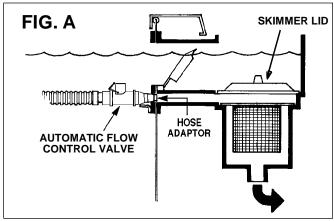
IF YOUR SKIMMER FACEPLATE DOES NOT HAVE A VACUUM PORT, or you choose not to use it, route the hose with flow control valve and adaptor <u>through</u> <u>the skimmer opening</u> to the suction port as shown in Fig.s B or C in this owner's guide.

# EXPEL AIR FROM HOSE AND CONNECT TO VACUUM OUTLET

With pump running, position end of hose against pool return outlet to blow out any air in the hose. While holding end of hose below pool water level, attach to your pool or skimmer suction port.

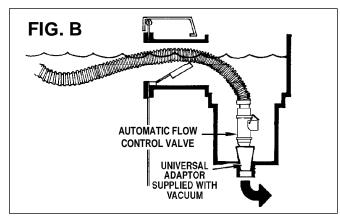
#### SKIMMER VACUUM PORT

This skimmer provides a vacuum port in the skimmer face frame below the skimmer opening. SEE FIG. A.



**INSIDE SKIMMER OUTLET** 

This skimmer provides either a threaded or slip socket connection inside the skimmer at the bottom. Push larger end of universal adaptor onto the flow control valve. Then, insert into the bottom outlet inside the skimmer. SEE FIG. B.

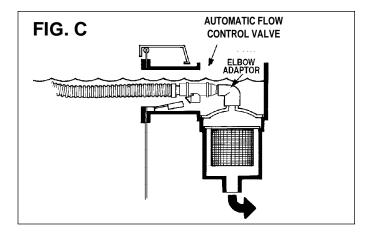


#### SKIMMER VACUUM PLATE

This skimmer is provided with a vacuum plate with a suction hose port in the center for attaching your vacuum hose. Insert the elbow adaptor (not provided) onto the flow control valve, then onto the vacuum plate outlet. SEE FIG. C.

#### VACUUM OUTLET (IN-GROUND POOL)

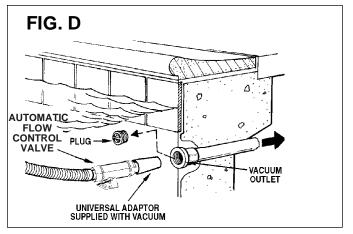
If your pool is provided with a vacuum port outlet in the pool wall, connect the hose to this port as follows. Push larger



end of universal adaptor onto the flow control valve. Then, insert into the wall vacuum outlet. SEE FIG. D.

#### **OPERATION**

With the filter pump operating, you may or may not notice a



pulsating vibration of your pool vacuum. Its operation depends on the amount of water flow produced by your pump, and the automatic adjustment of the flow control valve that regulates water flow to the skimmer suction port.

If the vacuum moves too slow and inefficiently when you begin to vacuum, you may need to backwash or clean your filter before you continue. Also, if the vacuum slows too much, you may have to stop and restart the filter pump to resume operation.

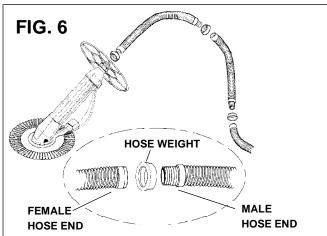
**CAUTION:** Excessive suction and/or speed could damage your vacuum's components and/or decrease its ability to maneuver in confined spaces. You must use the flow control valve to prolong the life of your vacuum and maximize cleaning efficiency.

#### FOR POOLS WITH TWO SUCTION LINES

For pools with two (2) suction lines (i.e. maindrain & skimmer, or 2 skimmers), it may be necessary to close the valve on the suction line not used for vacuuming to obtain enough suction to operate the vacuum. On filtration systems that have excessive suction with the suction bypass port fully open, throttle down the vacuum by progressively opening up the second suction line valve.

#### INSTALL HOSE WEIGHTS SEE FIG. 6

Depending on your pool's depth and water temperature, your Drifter may require use of hose weights to help it to maintain constant contact with the pool's bottom. Add hose weights as shown above using a trial and error method (observe the vacuum's operation) to determine the best number of weights to use, and the most effective location for them.



#### **CHECK FILTER FLOW**

As your vacuum cleaner removes sediments from the pool

floor, you may notice your vacuum operating slower than normal with a reduction of flow from the return inlet as your filter becomes dirtier. **Keep a check on your filter pressure and backwash the filter or clean the filter element when required.** 

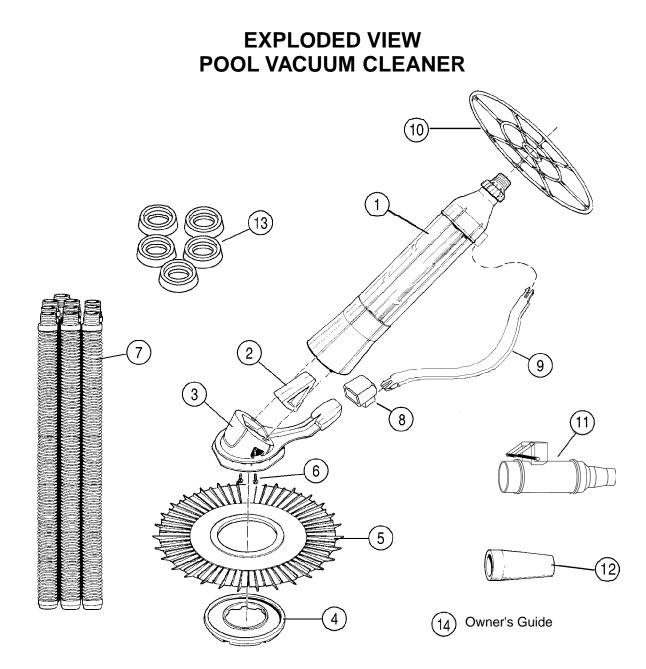
#### SERVICING

Your vacuum may become inoperable for several reasons. Check the "Troubleshooting" chart to determine the cause and remedy. If your vacuum becomes clogged with debris, shut off pump. Lift the vacuum cleaner out of the pool and examine the underside intake. Pull out the debris and refer back to "Expel Air from Hose" and restart the filter and vacuum operation.

### VACUUM WINTER STORAGE

Remove your vacuum from the pool and dry completely. Disassemble the hose sections and store in the original box. <u>Never</u> store the hose in a coiled position as it may retain a curved shape, not allowing the vacuum to operate efficiently. Store the vacuum so that the suction disk lays flat, or remove the disk and store it in a flat position. Store all parts indoors.

	TROUBLESHOOTING POOL VACUUM CLEANER					
PROBLEM		POSSIBLE CAUSE	REMEDIES			
1.	Vacuum moves too slow or not moving at all.	<ol> <li>Vacuum intake clogged with debris.</li> <li>Flow control bypass port stuck in open position.</li> <li>Filter is dirty.</li> <li>Skimmer or pump strainer baskets are clogged with debris.</li> <li>Crack in hose.</li> <li>Clogged pump impellor.</li> <li>Excessive debris on pool floor.</li> <li>Insufficient pump flow due to obstruction.</li> <li>Air leak at skimmer face plate causing water to drain from skimmer body.</li> <li>Too many hose weights</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Remove debris.</li> <li>Remove obstruction or replace spring(s) if broken or missing.</li> <li>Clean filter element or backwash filter.</li> <li>Empty baskets.</li> <li>Replace hose section.</li> <li>Remove debris.</li> <li>Manually remove debris from floor.</li> <li>Remove obstruction.</li> <li>Remove obstruction.</li> <li>Tighten skimmer face plate screws or replace face plate gaskets.</li> <li>Remove hose weights as required.</li> </ol>			
2.	Vacuum moves too fast.	<ol> <li>Flow control valve's bypass port stuck in closed position.</li> <li>Excessive pump flow.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Clean suction bypass port and hinge mechanism.</li> <li>Restrict flow.</li> </ol>			
3.	Vacuum loses contact with pool bottom.	<ol> <li>Flow control bypass port stuck in open position.</li> <li>Vacuum too buoyant for pool depth.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Remove obstruction or replace spring(s) if broken or missing.</li> <li>Add hose weights as required.</li> </ol>			
4.	Vacuum cleans one end of pool. Won't clean entire pool.	<ol> <li>Insufficient number of hose sections.</li> <li>Pool water too cold. Causes hose to stiffen.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Add more hose.</li> <li>Pool water should be a minimum 60°F. Increase flow by closing suction control slide. Remove from pool and store for winter.</li> </ol>			
5.	Vacuum turns over.	<ol> <li>Excessive flow currents in pool.</li> <li>Contacting an obstruction in pool.</li> <li>Hose too long.</li> <li>Swivel jammed with debris.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Adjust return fitting flow downward.</li> <li>Remove obstruction if possible, or restart vacuum at a new position.</li> <li>Remove hose one section at a time.</li> <li>Rotate until swivel moves freely.</li> </ol>			



PARTS LIST					
ITEM	PART #	QTY	DESCRIPTION		
1	1107-1682	1	Vacuum Body Assembly		
2	340-2062	1	Driver		
3	1121-1733	1	Vacuum Head Assembly		
4	348-1047	1	Suction Pad		
5	340-2066	1	Suction Disk		
6	330-1253	2	#8 x 3/4" Screws		
7	346-1051	10	1-1/2" x 3' Hose		
8	340-2366	1	Rub Bar Weight Cap		
9	341-1412	1	Rub Bar		
10	340-2112	1	Pool Vacuum Ring		
11	1107-1681	1	Automatic Flow Control Valve		
12	340-2108	1	Universal Adaptor		
13	340-2201	5	Vacuum Hose Weight		
14	365-1896	1	Owner's Guide		



# **Automatic Pool Vacuum Cleaner**

# FIVE YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS** 

Retain this warranty along with your sales receipt and/or proof of purchase.

- 1. Doughboy is the warrantor of this product.
- 2. This warranty is extended to the original purchaser (consumer) only.
- 3. Doughboy warrants the automatic pool vacuum cleaner (excluding hose) for a period of five (5) years from date of purchase against all defects in materials and workmanship.
- The vacuum hose is warranted for a period of two (2) years from date of purchase against all defects in materials and workmanship.
   To exercise this warrenty, the consumer must return the vacuum unit (or hose) to the dealer where it was purchased.
- 5. The vacuum unit (or hose) will be repaired or replaced promptly after your pool dealer determines that there is a defect in materials or workmanship.
- 6. This warranty is null and void if the design of this product is altered in any way. Thus, the product must be assembled according to the factory directions and no changes or modifications may be made to any of the parts.
- 7. Damage from chemical misuse or ice damage is not covered under warranty.
- 8. This warranty gives specific legal rights; the purchaser also has implied warranty rights which may vary from state to state.

Terms of sale of our warranty exclude liability for willful carelessness.

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