

# Deluxe Vapor Steamer



## Operations Manual



## **LIMITED WARRANTY**

The company warrants to the original purchaser that this product, excluding accessories, shall be free from defects in the manufacturing and material, under normal and reasonable use for a period of two (2) years from the date of purchase.

The sole and exclusive remedy under this warranty is repair or replacement, at the company's option, of any product that proves to be defective in manufacturing or materials within the above stated period.

In order for this warranty to apply, the owner and/or user must follow the instructions provided herein. Proof of purchase may be requested with product returns. Customers are responsible for shipping the unit (prepaid) in an appropriate protective carton. Customers are encouraged to insure returned items against damage, as the company shall not be responsible for items lost or damaged while in transit.

In addition to the above warranty, the company warrants the stainless steel boiler (located inside the Vapor Steamer Deluxe and containing the heating element) to be free from defects in manufacturing and material, under normal and reasonable use for life. The sole and exclusive remedy under this warranty is repair or replacement, at the company's option, of the stainless steel boiler.

**NOTE: Failure on behalf of the user to regularly clean the boiler according to the instructions provided herein will void this warranty.**

**Warranty is VOID if: damage is a result of misuse, accidents, improper operation, or unauthorized repair or alteration.**

**Warranty is VOID if: the unit has been operated with any substance other than water.**

**Warranty is VOID if: the unit has been operated by any unauthorized person.**

## **Rules to Remember when using the Vapor Steamer Deluxe**

- Never use chemicals or cleaning solutions in the water or in the boiler (water only).
- Never over-tighten the filler cap (just snug).
- Never open the filler cap unless the Pressure Gauge is pointing to "0" (zero).
- Never replace steel or brass detail brushes without a protective towel on your hand.
- Never point the unit at any person or animal.
- Never leave the unit ON if it has run out of water.
- Always keep the "steam activation" switch OFF, except when cleaning.
- Always keep the unit clean and dry.
- Always call for assistance if you need help operating the system (1.800.284.0123 ext.6).
- Always clean the unit according to instructions (see "Cleaning the Vapor Steamer Deluxe").
- Always keep dirty brushes separate from clean brushes.

## Vapor Steamer Deluxe Operating Instructions

### I. Filling your Vapor Steamer Deluxe

Note: The Vapor Steamer Deluxe should be **unplugged** and the Power Switch **OFF**.

1. Place the Vapor Steamer Deluxe on a level surface.
2. Remove the large safety filler cap by pushing down and turning counter-clockwise.
3. Fill with water (**distilled water** recommended) using the water bottle provided. The Vapor Steamer Deluxe will hold approximately one and a half bottles of water. If the water bottle is leaking, check to make sure the black O-ring inside the gray nozzle of the bottle is snug.

**CAUTION: DO NOT ADD DETERGENTS OR CHEMICALS TO THE WATER OR BOILER!**

4. Screw safety filler cap back on, clockwise. Start off gently spinning it on and then push down for the last few turns, just until it is snug.

**CAUTION: DO NOT OVER-TIGHTEN THE FILLER CAP!**

### II. Heating up the Vapor Steamer Deluxe

1. Plug the Vapor Steamer Deluxe into a 110 Volt outlet.

**CAUTION: MAKE SURE ANY EXTENSION CORD USED IS 12 OR 14 GAUGE THICK AND NO MORE THAN 25 FEET LONG.**

2. Turn **ON** the Boiler Switch (This is the switch furthest to the left on the machine. It has a diagram of a heating coil. **NOTE:** The switch will light up and the pressure gauge will slowly begin to work its way up to approximately 3.5 bars. This will take about 12 - 15 minutes.)
3. When the small Amber Light (inside the green button), just to the lower left of the Pressure Gauge comes on, the unit has heated up. **NOTE:** The Boiler Switch is still the only switch activated at this time!
4. Connect the hose by lifting the square black case (appx. 4" x 3") on the front of the unit and insert hose until you hear a "click" (make sure black button is facing up).

## Important Safety Precautions

For questions regarding the use of this product, please call 1.800.284.0123 ext. 6  
or email: [detailplus@detailplus.com](mailto:detailplus@detailplus.com)

Never point the Vapor Steamer Deluxe at any human or animal under any circumstances.

Do not allow children to use the Vapor Steamer Deluxe.

Never operate the Vapor Steamer Deluxe if it has a damaged cord or plug.

Never operate the Vapor Steamer Deluxe if it has been dropped, exposed to weather, or dropped in water.

Never disconnect the plug by pulling on the cord. To disconnect from outlet, grasp the plug only.

Do not handle the plug or the cord with wet hands.

Turn off all controls before unplugging the Vapor Steamer Deluxe.

Never use the Vapor Steamer Deluxe on any surface unable to withstand heat or moisture.

Use extra care when operating around stairs or other irregular surfaces. A falling appliance could cause bodily and/or mechanical damage.

Use of an extension cord or light socket with inadequate current carrying capacity could result in electric shock.

The Vapor Steamer Deluxe must be properly grounded. Check with a qualified electrician if you have any doubts about whether or not the unit is properly grounded.

Store the Vapor Steamer Deluxe in a cool, dry place not exposed to weather.

## Which Attachments to Use for Various Applications

NOTE: The Vapor Steamer Deluxe becomes easier to use with each use. There is some trial and error involved. Always TEST a particular application in an inconspicuous area. If you're not sure how a particular surface will react to heat and brush, start with nylon and move up to brass and steel. Remember, paint can be removed and carpet colors can bleed. ALWAYS TEST first!

### **General Guidelines:**

**Grout Lines** - Attach the 2 extender poles to the end of the hose. Then attach the 1-hole nozzle to the end of the extender poles. Next, affix either a nylon, brass, or steel small "detail" brush to the nozzle. Try an inconspicuous area first, as certain tiles may be discolored by the brushes. Place the brush directly into the grout line and turn the steam on. Using a back and forth motion, apply downward pressure and "scrub" the grout line clean. After a few minutes, you will want to turn the steam off (both buttons back) using your thumb and clean the tile area, which now contains the grime from the grout lines. Use a mop or your steamer to do this (see *Tile* below).

**Tile, Floors, etc.** - To clean tile using your steamer, attach the large, rectangular Floor Brush to the end of the two extender poles, which are attached to the end of the hose. Clip a folded terry towel to the bottom of the Floor Brush. It does not have to fit perfectly - there are clips at each end, just make sure the bottom of the brush is covered by the towel. Next, "steam" the tile area clean using the same back and forth motion as above. You may pre-spray the towel or tile with your favorite cleaner, although it is rarely necessary. Be careful when changing the towels - they get very HOT!

**Grills, Stove tops, etc.** - Attach the 1-hole or 3-hole nozzle to the end of the hose. Depending on the application, affix a nylon, brass, or steel brush to the nozzle. Turn the steam to the desired level. Holding a towel in your non-cleaning hand, use your cleaning hand to scrub the surface of the grill, stove top, etc. using a back and forth motion and applying pressure. After a short period (10 seconds to 5 minutes), turn the steam off using the buttons on the hose and wipe residue with a terry towel.

**Walls, Flat Surfaces, etc.** - Attach a terry towel to the large triangle brush. You may pre-spray the towel with your favorite cleaner, although it is rarely necessary. If the area you are trying to clean is out of reach, use one or two extender poles. Turn the steam on and clean the surface by using a back and forth motion and letting steam permeate the towel.

**Carpet Stains** - The Vapor Steamer Deluxe is NOT a carpet cleaner, however, it can be very effective at removing stains from carpet. Use the 1 or 3-hole nozzle with a NYLON brush attached to the end. With a towel, blast the steam away from you at a 45 degree angle, while gently rubbing the stain. You may also use the triangle brush with an attached towel, with or without extender poles (see above).

## III. Activating the Vapor Steamer Deluxe

1. Attach the appropriate accessories and/or brushes to the Control Wand on the end of the hose.
2. Turn on the "Steam Activation" Switch (the middle of the three switches next to the Pressure Gauge).

**CAUTION: DO NOT TURN ON STEAM ACTIVATION SWITCH UNLESS YOU ARE READY TO BEGIN CLEANING!**

## IV. Operating the Steam Controls

At the end of the Control Wand are two buttons, these buttons allow you to control the amount of pressure.

When both buttons are pushed forward, the unit delivers "High Pressure".

When both buttons are pushed back, the unit is "OFF" and delivers "No Steam".

When the left button (only) is pushed forward, the unit delivers "Medium Pressure".

When the right button (only) is pushed forward, the unit delivers "Low Pressure".

**NOTE:** While the unit is in use, the Pressure Gauge dial will constantly be moving back and forth as pressure builds up and is released. Also, the green light will go off and on as the pressure builds and is released. This is NORMAL.

**NOTE:** A pulse feature for hot water is activated when the right button is pushed backwards (towards the picture of the water faucet). This feature is not used often and in order for it to work, the "Water Switch" next to the Pressure Gauge must be turned ON.

## V. The Water Pulse Switch

The Water Pulse Switch is the black switch located just to the left of the Pressure Gauge. It is identified by the diagram of water droplets just beneath it.

When the Water Pulse Switch is activated, the steam becomes very wet.

Use of this switch should be reserved for those (rare) instances where the user needs hot water mixed in with the steam.

Remember, when using the Water Pulse Switch the unit will run out of water very quickly!

## **VI. When System is Out of Water**

When the Vapor Steamer Deluxe is out of water, the orange “out-of-water” light to the left of the Pressure Gauge (with the picture of the water faucet) comes on. This means the unit is out of water. However, **the system is still under pressure! Do NOT** open the filler cap until all the pressure has been depleted and the Pressure Gauge reads “0”.

**CAUTION: NEVER OPEN THE FILLER CAP UNLESS PRESSURE GAUGE READS “0”!**

**CAUTION: DO NOT LEAVE THE SYSTEM ON WHEN IT IS OUT OF WATER. FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS BELOW or TURN OFF SYSTEM, UNPLUG, AND LET THE PRESSURE DEplete ON ITS OWN.**

## **VII. To Deplete the Pressure (in order to open the cap and refill the unit)**

1. Turn off the Boiler Switch
2. Leave the Steam Activation Switch ON (or turn it on).
3. Push both buttons on the Control Wand forward (to the “high Steam” position). The Pressure Gauge will slowly return to a “zero” pressure reading.

***When the Pressure Gauge reads “zero” and no steam is coming out of the nozzle:***

4. Turn off the unit and unplug it.

## **VIII. Refilling the Vapor Steamer Deluxe**

***Before removing the safety filler cap, make sure the above instructions have been followed carefully.***

***Never remove the safety filler cap unless the Pressure Gauge reads “0” pressure and the unit has been turned off and unplugged.***

1. Carefully press down on the filler cap while turning counter-clockwise. **NOTE:** you will hear some mild air escaping - this is NORMAL.
2. Unscrew the safety filler cap (you only have to push down for the first few turns).
3. Refill the unit using warm water.
4. Plug in unit
5. Turn ON the Boiler Switch (Steam Activation Switch should be OFF).

## **Cleaning the Vapor Steamer Deluxe**

**It is extremely important that the Vapor Steamer Deluxe is cleaned on a regular basis. If cleaning is neglected, warranties will be voided. Also, if your Vapor Steamer Deluxe is cleaned on a regular basis, it will heat up quicker, run more efficiently and effectively, and last longer.**

If used regularly (two or more times per week), the Vapor Steamer Deluxe should be cleaned once a month.

If used less than this, the Vapor Steamer Deluxe should be cleaned every two months.

### **How to Clean the Vapor Steamer Deluxe**

#### **A. Using CLR\* (Calcium, Lime & Rust Remover):**

1. Pour half a cup of CLR into the empty Vapor Steamer Deluxe.
2. Add one to two quarts of water (eight times the amount of CLR).
3. Let stand (unplugged) for two to three hours (or more).
4. Drain CLR and water mixture by removing the Drain Plug on bottom of unit.

***CAUTION: NEVER TOUCH DRAIN PLUG OF HEATED UNIT. IT IS EXTREMELY HOT!***

5. Flush clean water through unit by pouring it in through the top and letting it drain right out of the bottom.

*\* CLR is available at Home Depot and other stores carrying cleaning supplies.*

#### **B. Using Distilled White Vinegar:**

1. Pour two cups of distilled white vinegar into the empty Vapor Steamer Deluxe.
2. Add two quarts of water.
3. Let stand (unplugged) overnight or for 24 hours.
4. Follow STEPS 4 and 5 above for draining and flushing the unit.