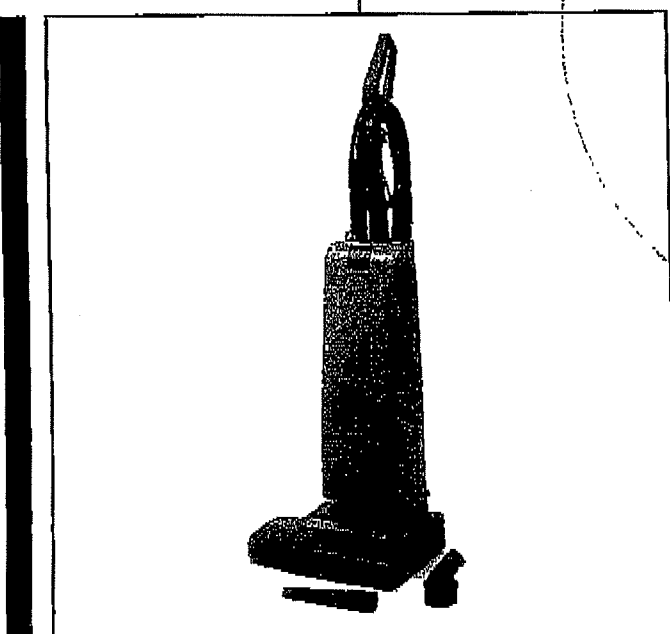


# Upright Dry Vacuums

## Operator's Manual



Gold 14  
Gold 18

Item #85800  
Item #85801

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**Operator Manual - Gold 14, Gold 18 Two Motor Upright Vacuum**

**INTRODUCTION**

This manual will help you get the most from your Betco Gold 14 Vacuum. Read it thoroughly before operating.

The Betco Vacuum is intended for commercial use.

**PARTS & SERVICE:**

Contact your **BETCO AUTHORIZED DISTRIBUTOR** for repair parts or service. Please specify the Model & Serial Number when discussing your machine.

**NAME PLATE:**

The Model & Serial Number of your machine is located on the Name Plate on the vacuum tank assembly. This information is often needed when ordering repair parts for the machine.

**IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

When using an electrical appliance, basic precautions should always be followed, including the following:  
Read all instructions before using.

**! WARNING!**

To reduce risk of fire, electric shock, or injury:

- \* Do not leave the machine when it is plugged in. Unplug the unit from the outlet when not in use & before servicing.
- \* To avoid electric shock, do not expose machine to rain. Store indoors.
- \* 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 machine is not working as it should return it to a service center for inspection.
- \* Do not pull or carry by cord, use cord as a handle, close a door on a cord, or pull cord around sharp edges or corners. Do not run machine 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 plug or machine with wet hands.
- \* Do not put any foreign object into openings. Do not use with any opening blocked; keep free of dust, lint, hair, & anything that may reduce airflow.
- \* Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers, & all parts of body away from openings & moving parts.
- \* Turn off all controls before unplugging.
- \* Do not use in or around flammable or combustible liquids such as gasoline or use in areas where they may be present.
- \* Connect to a properly grounded outlet only. See grounding instructions.

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**GROUNDING INSTRUCTIONS**

This machine must be grounded. If it should electrically malfunction, grounding provides a path of least resistance for electric current to reduce the risk of electric shock. This machine is equipped with a cord having an equipment-grounding conductor & grounding plug. The plug must be plugged into an appropriate outlet that is properly installed & grounded in accordance with all local codes & ordinances.

**! DANGER!**

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 machine. If plug will not fit the outlet, have a proper outlet installed by a qualified electrician.

Replace the plug if the grounding pin is damaged or broken.

Extension cords connected to this machine should be 12 gauge, 3-wire cords with 3-prong plugs & outlets. DO NOT use extension cords more than 50 feet long.

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## PREPARING THE MACHINE FOR OPERATION

**Safety check the cable and plug before starting.**

**Check the brush and remove any string or debris, which may be wrapped around the brush.**

**Check that a bag is fitted and is in good condition.**

**Plug the vacuum in to the power outlet.**

**Adjust the brush height to suit the carpet thickness. There are 4 settings; a setting of 1 allows maximum contact of the brush with the carpet.**

**Turn the main power switch on. The main vacuum motor will start.**

**Hold the handle and depress the red foot pedal. This will allow the handle to be lowered to a comfortable working position and at the same time, start the brush motor.**

**Vacuum the floor.**

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## Using the Wand

**Return the handle to an upright position.**

**Remove the wand by pulling it backwards and upwards. When the wand is removed the brush motor will stop automatically.**

**Use the crevice or upholstery tool as required.**

**After use, return the wand to its original position, ensuring that it fits correctly.**

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## Dust Bag Full

**This vacuum is fitted with a red "Bag Full/Blocked Hose" indicator. It will light if the airflow is obstructed.**

**If the light comes on, switch off and check the dust bag. If the dust bag is full, replace it with a new bag. If the bag is not full, check the wand to ensure it is not blocked.**

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### Dust Bag Replacement

Open the door by pulling the door latch.

Hold the top of the dust bag with one hand and with the other, pull the bottom of the bag down and out. Seal the bag using the flap.

The vacuum cannot be closed until a new bag is fitted. Always fit a new genuine BETCO dust bag.

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### Changing the Inlet Filter

Remove the bag as described above.

Twist the filter cage anti-clockwise and lift.

Replace the filter with a new genuine BETCO filter and replace the filter cage.

**CAUTION!** Do not use the vacuum without an inlet filter.

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### Warning Lights

This vacuum is fitted with a 3 color-warning lamp. This lamp operates when the brush motor is working.

The GREEN lamp indicates that the brush is working correctly.

The ORANGE lamp indicates the drive belt is broken. The RED lamp indicates that the motor has stopped.

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### Belt and Brush Replacement

Turn the machine upside down and align the two clips with the front edge of the vacuum.

Lift off the brush cover and remove the brush roll. If required, fit a new belt around the motor spindle and the toothed wheel on the brush roll. Ensure that the rubber end caps are seated properly and refit the brush roll in the sockets.

