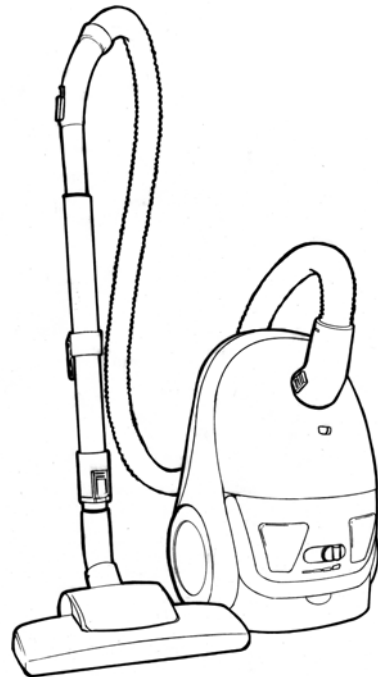




*Atomic Ant*  
**Canister Vacuum**  
Model EP044  
Use and Care Instructions



For information or assistance, call 514-842-8691  
EURO-PRO Corporation  
178 West Service Rd.  
Champlain, NY 12919

## IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using an electrical appliance, basic safety precautions should always be observed, including the following:

### READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING YOUR VACUUM CLEANER.

**WARNING:** To reduce the risk of fire, electrical shock, or injury:

1. Do not leave vacuum cleaner when it is plugged in. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before servicing.
2. To reduce the risk of electric shock – do not use outdoors or on wet surfaces.
3. Do not allow children to use as a toy. Close attention is necessary when used by or near children.
4. Use only as described in this manual. Use only manufacturer's recommended attachments.
5. Do not use with damaged cord or plug. Do not use vacuum cleaner if it has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors, or dropped into water. Return it to an authorized service center.
6. Do not pull or carry by cord. Do not use cord as a handle, close a door on cord, or pull cord around sharp edges or corners. Do not run appliance over cord. Keep cord away from heated surfaces.
7. Do not unplug by pulling on cord. To unplug, grasp the plug, not the cord.
8. Do not handle plug or vacuum cleaner with wet hands. Do not use outdoors or on wet surfaces.
9. Do not put any objects into openings. Do not use with any opening blocked and do not restrict airflow. Keep all openings free of dust, lint, hair, and anything that may reduce airflow.
10. Keep hair, loose clothing, fingers, and all parts of body away from openings and moving parts.
11. Do not pick up hot coals, cigarette butts, matches or any hot, smoking, or burning objects.
12. Do not pick up hard or sharp objects such as glass, nails, screws, coins, etc.
13. Do not use without dust bag and/or filters in place.
14. Turn off all controls before plugging or unplugging vacuum cleaner.
15. Use extra care when cleaning on stairs.
16. Do not pick up flammable or combustible materials (lighter fluid, gasoline, kerosene, etc.) or use in the presence of explosive liquids or vapor.
17. Do not pick up toxic material (chlorine bleach, ammonia, drain cleaner, etc.).
18. Do not use in an enclosed space filled with vapors given off by oil base paints, paint thinner, some moth proofing substances, flammable dust, or other explosive or toxic vapors.
19. Always unplug this appliance before connecting or disconnecting vacuum hose. Hold plug when rewinding onto reel. Do not allow plug to whip when rewinding.
20. Use only on dry, indoor surfaces.
21. Do not use for any purpose other than described in this user's guide.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

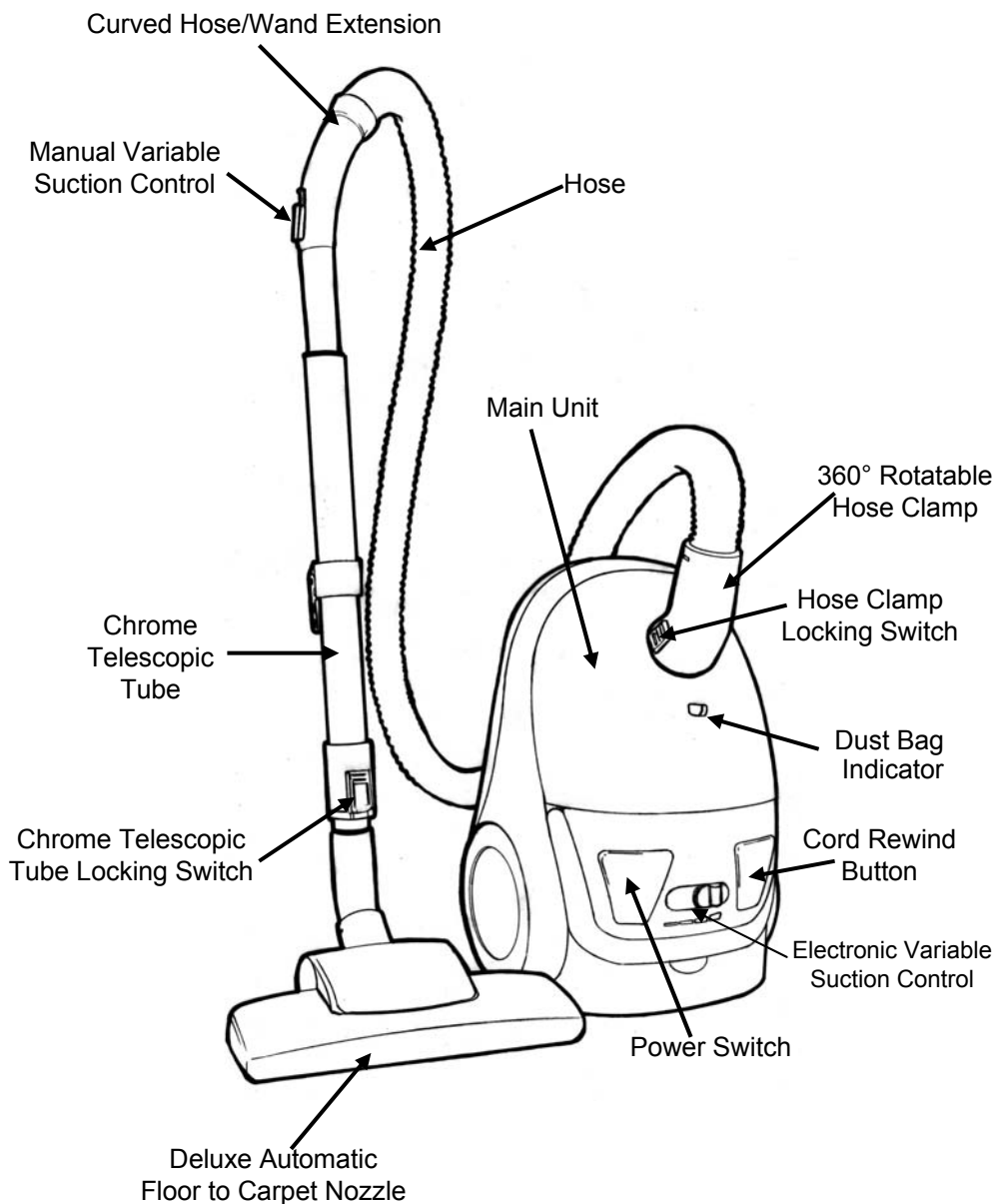
This appliance has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other). To reduce the risk of electric shock, this plug will fit in a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully in the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Do not modify the plug in any way.

**SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS**  
**FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY**

# EURO-PRO Atomic Ant Canister Vacuum

Rated 1200 watts, 120 V / 60HZ

## Main Components



## Assembling the Vacuum Cleaner

1. Slide the narrow end of the chrome telescopic tube inside the deluxe, automatic floor to carpet nozzle tube.
2. Connect the curved hose/wand extension to the chrome telescopic tube.
3. Connect the 360° rotatable hose clamp to the main unit by squeezing on hose clamp locking switches and pushing in until locked into position.

## Using Deluxe Floor Attachment

Please note that the convenient 3-way adjustability and 6 soft rubber wheels on the deluxe, automatic floor to carpet nozzle enable you to freely move forward and reverse from carpet to floor without any adjustments.

If floor nozzle does not move easily, we suggest that you reduce suction power on the variable suction control. (See below.)

Suggestion: After vacuuming with deluxe floor nozzle, use crevice tool to clean the deluxe, automatic floor to carpet nozzle.

## Variable Suction Control

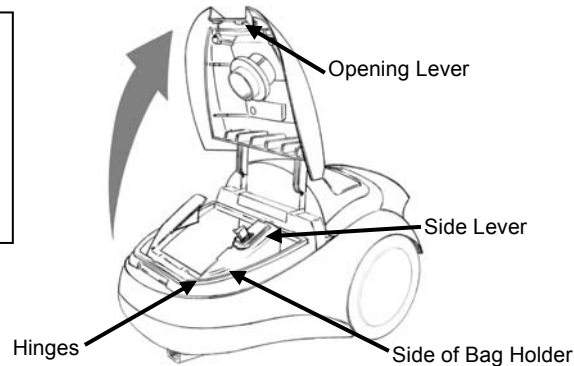
Your vacuum cleaner includes an electronic variable suction control. The suction power can be adjusted by moving the slide regulator to the desired position between minimum and maximum. For example, less suction is required on upholstery and draperies compared to thick shag carpets, which require maximum suction.

## Replacing the Dust Bag

**Warning:** To reduce the risk of electric shock, the hose and power cord must be disconnected before changing the bag or performing maintenance/trouble shooting checks.

1. To open main unit, press with 2 middle fingers on center of opening lever, squeeze to unlock and lift.

**Suggestion:** Vacuuming new carpet or carpet with fine powders may clog the dust bag, so check the bag more often. Never operate without dust bag in place.



2. Remove dust bag by pulling up on the plastic collar (if using cloth bag) or cardboard collar (if using paper bag). Empty cloth bag or **dispose of paper bags. Never reuse Paper Bags.**
3. Insert a new paper bag or re-insert an empty cloth bag as far as it can go noting the direction arrow on plastic or cardboard collar. By sliding in the cloth or paper bag, the side lever will automatically go to the right allowing you to close the cover of the vacuum cleaner.  
**Note: Vacuum cleaner cover will not close if there is no cloth or paper bag is inserted in the bag holder.**
4. Close vacuum cleaner main cover.

**Warning:** Before closing main unit, make certain that sides of bag holder are pushed inside and do not get caught between the hinges while closing the main unit.

### Full Dust Bag Indicator

The red dust indicator may turn on while you are cleaning to indicate that the paper bag is full and requires replacement. Note: Full Dust Bag Indicator only functions at maximum suction power from variable control. You can test the Full Dust Bag Indicator by placing your hand over the end of the Curved Hose/Wand Extension when vacuum is on – Indicator Should Turn Red.

#### **Note: Regarding Cloth Dust Bag (Reusable)**

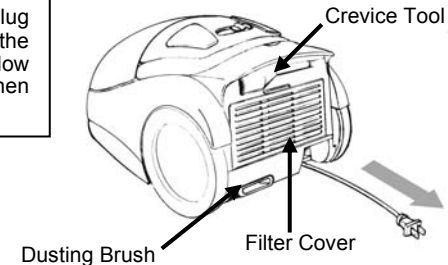
If you are using the **washable cloth bag**, it should be emptied for reuse. Please note however that the cloth bag will require periodic washing, especially while vacuuming fine dust particles that can block suction. To wash cloth bag, first remove plastic bag collar attachment by removing all four (4) screws. (Be careful not to lose any parts.) We suggest washing by hand in warm water with laundry detergent until clean. Do not dry in electric dryer, cloth should be laid out or left hanging to dry and then reassembled. To order additional cloth bags or paper bags, please call 1-800-798-7398 or 1-514-842-8691. Please see end of instruction book for costs and mailing address.

Please note **your vacuum cleaner includes both a Paper Bag and a Cloth Bag**. The cloth bag offers convenience for reusability, however, please note that paper bags will offer the best cleaning performance and clean air results. Select the one most suitable to your needs.

## Power Cord

Your vacuum cleaner includes a power cord, which is automatically retractable. To extend your power cord, pull from rear and extend to desired length. When cleaning is finished, first switch off power and disconnect plug from electrical outlet. Then press on cord rewind button. If the cord does not fully retract, pull it out again and then press on cord rewind button.

**Warning:** Hold plug when rewinding the cord. Do not allow cord to whip when rewinding.



**Caution:** Do not pull the power cord beyond the **red mark** on the cord as doing this will damage the cord.

## Tool Storage

**Note:** A crevice tool and dusting brush are included with the vacuum cleaner. They are assembled handily on the rear of your unit.

## Upright Parking Position

Please note that your vacuum cleaner can be conveniently placed in a space saving vertical parking position.

Place unit on its side and reduce length of chrome telescopic tube to a minimum length. Slide floor nozzle into locking position with receptacle which rests on top of unit.

## Replace Dust Filters

### Pre-Motor Filter

Your vacuum cleaner is equipped with a filtration system to reduce dust and pollen in your home as you clean. The white pre-motor filter is located inside the vacuum body behind the dust bag. Check when changing the dust bag and replace when dirty.

To replace, lift vacuum body cover, then pull the white polyfoam straight up and out of the vacuum body, dispense of old filter. Hold new filter with narrow round side down and slide into position between the two posts and the motor intake.

### Post-Motor Filter

1. Remove rear filter by grasping edge, squeezing and pulling towards you. The top of the cover will become loose and you can remove it by pulling at a slight angle.
2. Remove filter and dispose of filter.
3. Insert new filter, making certain to position it over entire air vent area.
4. Replace rear filter cover by placing the four tabs into the four slots at the bottom of the filter opening. Push top of cover until it snaps into place.

To order additional bags and filters or for customer service:

Call **EURO-PRO** Customer Service at: **800-798-7398**  
**514-842-8691**  
or Fax to: **514-842-6985**

Monday to Friday 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM Eastern Standard Time



## THREE (3) YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

**EURO-PRO** CORPORATION warrants this product to be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of three (3) years from the date of the original purchase, when utilized for normal household use, subject to the following conditions, exclusions and exceptions.

If your appliance fails to operate properly while in use under normal household conditions within the warranty period, return the complete appliance and accessories, freight prepaid to **EURO-PRO** Corporation, 178 West Service Rd., Champlain, N.Y. 12919. If the appliance is found by **EURO-PRO** to be defective in material or workmanship, **EURO-PRO** will repair or replace it free of charge. Proof of purchase date and \$9.85 to cover the cost of return shipping and handling must be included. \*

Non-durable parts including, without limitation, dust bags, filters, bulbs, brushes and electrical parts which normally require replacement are specifically excluded from warranty.

The liability of **EURO-PRO** Corporation is limited solely to the cost of the repair or replacement of the unit at our option. This warranty does not cover normal wear of parts and does not apply to any unit that has been tampered with or used for commercial purposes. This limited warranty does not cover damage caused by misuse, abuse, negligent handling or damage due to faulty packaging or mishandling in transit. This warranty does not cover damage or defects caused by or resulting from damages from shipping or repairs, service or alterations to the product or any of its parts, which have been performed by a repair person not authorized by **EURO-PRO**.

This warranty is extended to the original purchaser of the unit and excludes all other legal and/or conventional warranties. The responsibility of **EURO-PRO** Corporation if any, is limited to the specific obligations expressly assumed by it under the terms of the limited warranty. **In no event is EURO-PRO Corporation liable for incidental or consequential damages of any nature whatsoever.** Some states do not permit the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above may not apply to you.

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**\*Important: Carefully pack item to avoid damage in shipping. Be sure to include proof of purchase date and to attach tag to item before packing with your name, complete address and phone number with a note giving purchase information, model number and what you believe is the problem with item. We recommend you insure the package (as damage in shipping is not covered by your warranty). Mark the outside of your package "ATTENTION CUSTOMER SERVICE".**



## OWNERSHIP REGISTRATION CARD

Please fill out and mail the product registration card within ten (10) days of purchase in order to validate the foregoing Limited Warranty. The registration will enable us to contact you in the unlikely event of a product safety notification. By returning this card you acknowledge to have read and understood the instructions for use, and warnings set forth in the accompanying instructions.

**RETURN TO EURO-PRO CORPORATION, 178 WEST SERVICE RD., CHAMPLAIN, N.Y. 12919  
IN CANADA: 3445 PARK AVE., MONTREAL, QUEBEC, H2X 2H6**

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