



# Barbie™ Real Vacuum

## USER'S GUIDE

### Model 3600 Series



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The Barbie™ Real Vacuum is intended for children 6 years and older. Adult supervision Recommended.



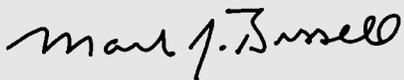
Thanks for buying a Barbie™ Real Vacuum

We're glad you purchased a Barbie™ Real Vacuum. Everything we know about floor care and cleaning went into the design and construction of this handy appliance.

Your Barbie™ Real Vacuum is well made, and we back it with a limited one-year warranty. We also stand behind it with a knowledgeable, dedicated Consumer Services Department, so, should you ever have a problem, you'll receive fast, considerate assistance.

My great-grandfather invented the floor sweeper in 1876. Today, BISSELL is a global leader in the design, manufacture, and service of high quality homecare products like your Barbie™ Real Vacuum.

Thanks again, from all of us at BISSELL.



Mark J. Bissell  
President and Chief Executive Officer

# IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Read all instructions before allowing your child to use the BARBIE™ REAL VACUUM.

 **WARNING:** When using an electrical appliance, basic precautions should be observed, including the following:

- Parental Supervision Recommended.
- Store indoors.
- Do not expose to rain.
- Do not immerse or use on wet surfaces.
- Do not handle with wet hands.
- Do not use Barbie™ Real Vacuum if it has been dropped, damaged, left outdoors or dropped into water - return it to a Service Center.
- Do not damage the charging cord. Never carry or pull by the cord, use cord as a handle, close door on cord, or pull cord around sharp edges or corners. Keep cord away from heated surfaces.
- Do not use an extension cord. DC adapter should plug directly into electrical outlet.
- Do not put any object into appliance openings, or restrict air flow.
- Do not use with any opening blocked.
- Do not use without filter in place.
- Do not pick up hot, burning or smoking objects such as cigarettes, matches or hot ashes.
- Do not pick up flammable or combustible materials (lighter fluid, gasoline, kerosene, etc.) or use in the presence of explosive liquids or vapor.
- Do not use appliance in an enclosed space filled with vapors given off by oil base paint, paint thinner, some moth proofing substances, flammable dust, or other explosive or toxic vapors.
- Do not pick up toxic material (chlorine bleach, ammonia, drain cleaner, gasoline, etc.).

- Do not use for any purpose other than described in this User's Guide.
- Use only manufacturer's recommended attachments - use of attachments not provided or sold by BISSELL may cause fire, electric shock or injury.
- Use only the DC adapter supplied by BISSELL to recharge your Barbie™ Real Vacuum.
- Use charger unit only in standard electrical outlet (120v - 60hz).
- Keep openings free of dust, lint, hair, etc.
- Disconnect Barbie™ Real Vacuum from DC adapter before maintenance or cleaning.
- Be extra careful when cleaning stairs.

This portable hand vacuum contains rechargeable nickel cadmium batteries. Do not incinerate batteries or they will explode when exposed to high temperatures.

Battery cell leaks can occur under extreme conditions. If battery cell liquid comes in contact with the skin:

- Wash immediately with soap and water. Then . . .
- Neutralize with a mild acid such as vinegar or lemon juice.

If battery cell liquid gets into the eyes:

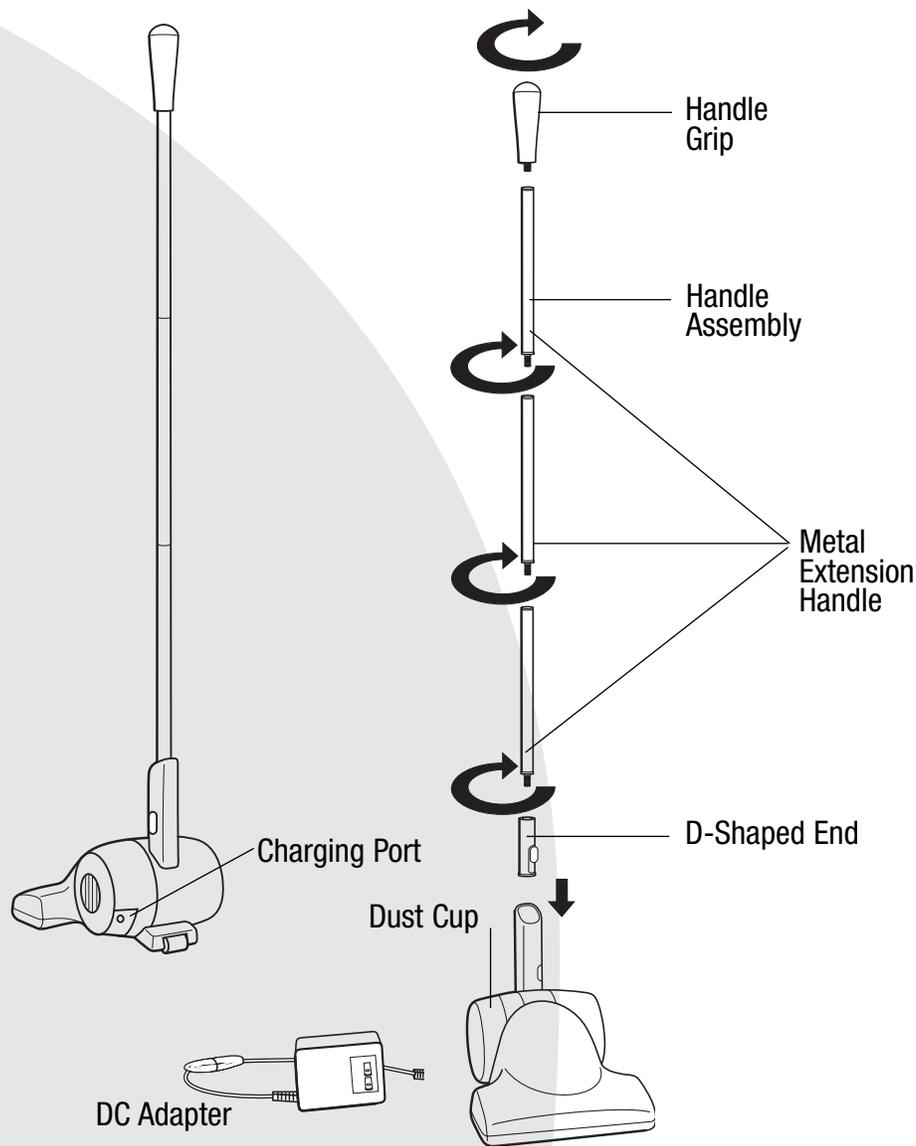
- Flush immediately with clean water for a minimum of 10 minutes.
- Seek medical attention.

**WARNING:** The Power Cord on this product contains lead, a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm.

**WASH HANDS AFTER HANDLING.**

**SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS.**

This model is for household use only.



## How To Use This Guide

This User's Guide has been designed to help you and your child get the most satisfaction from the rechargeable Barbie™ Real Vacuum. Enclosed you'll find assembly instructions, tips for all cleaning tasks, safety precautions, plus maintenance and troubleshooting instructions.

Please read this Guide thoroughly before using your Barbie™ Real Vacuum. Pay particular attention to the parts diagram, assembly instructions and part names. Following the Guide will greatly enhance your ability to get the most performance from your Barbie™ Real Vacuum for many years.



### **WARNING:**

Electric/electronic appliances should not be subjected to extreme temperatures or high humidity. Do not store the Barbie™ Real Vacuum in bathing areas or close to stoves, furnaces or radiators.

## How to Assemble the Barbie™ Real Vacuum

### **Adult Assembly Required.**

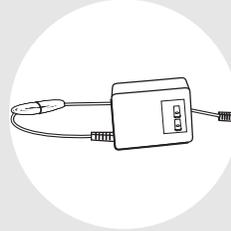
The Barbie™ Real Vacuum requires very little assembly. Remove it from the box and check it against the illustration to familiarize yourself with the components listed. The exploded view drawing with part names will also be helpful if you should need to order a part at a later time.

## Quick and Easy Assembly

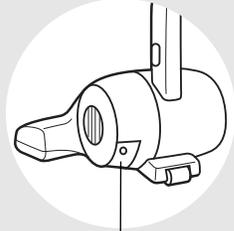
1. Assemble the Handle by screwing together two (2) pieces of the Metal Extension Handle. To lengthen, use all three (3) pieces of the Metal Extension Handle. Place the colored Handle Grip on top of the metal extension assembly and twist clockwise until secure. Screw the D-shaped End into the bottom of the Metal Extension Handle assembly.
2. Place bottom D-shaped End into the D-shaped opening at the top of the Barbie™ Real Vacuum. Push firmly until the button at the bottom “clicks” into place in the opening.
3. The Barbie™ Real Vacuum must be fully charged before using. To charge the unit, plug the DC Adapter into a standard electrical outlet (120v-60hz); plug the opposite end into the port on the Motor side of your Barbie™ Real Vacuum. The Barbie™ Real Vacuum is now charging.

### Tip:

The Barbie™ Real Vacuum should be plugged into an electrical outlet by an adult.



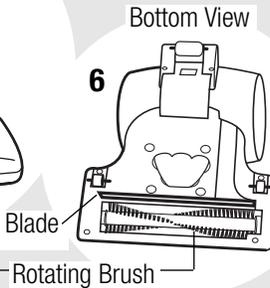
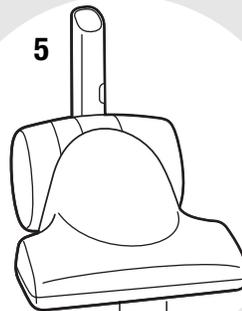
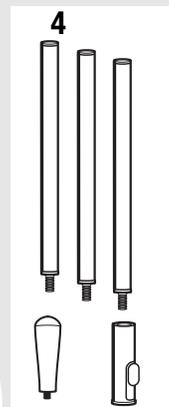
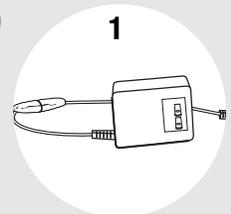
Model 3600  
Charging Cord with DC  
Adapter Plug



Plug into Port on the  
Motor side of the  
Barbie™ Real Vacuum

## Components

1. **Charging Cord with DC Adapter Plug** - DC Adapter plugs into standard electrical outlet (120v - 60hz); plug opposite end into port on Motor side of Barbie™ Real Vacuum.
2. **Dust Cup** - Press and turn to securely lock.
3. **Washable Filter** - Fits inside Dust Cup.
4. **Metal Extension Handle** (five pieces).
5. **Rotating Brush.**
6. **Dust Blade.**



## Charging the Battery

1. When completely charged, the Barbie™ Real Vacuum provides over 12 minutes of full cleaning power.
2. When charging for the first time, allow to charge uninterrupted for at least 24 hours. Thereafter, a 12 -16 hour charge will renew the Barbie™ Real Vacuum battery.
3. Decreased operating time may indicate that the battery has built up a charging resistance. To recharge, first completely exhaust the battery, recharge it, then exhaust it again before recharging a second time. This procedure may be required more than once.
4. When not charging, be sure to unplug the Barbie™ Real Vacuum from the charger.



**WARNING TO PARENTS:**  
Barbie™ Real Vacuum will not  
pick up crayons, marbles, and  
other large or hard objects.

## Charging the Battery – Continued

If your battery still fails to recharge or does not hold a charge of normal duration, call:

### **BISSELL Consumer Services**

**1-800-237-7691**

Monday - Friday 8 a.m. — 10 p.m. ET

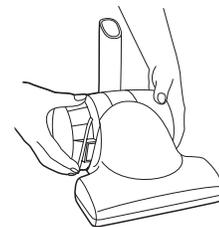
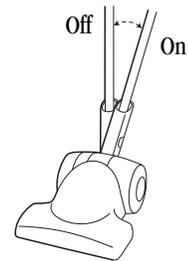
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## How To Use Your Barbie™ Real Vacuum

The Barbie™ Real Vacuum is a quick and easy way for your child to keep her/his room and home clean!

- 1.** Tip back the Handle into typical use position and your Barbie™ Real Vacuum turns on by itself. To turn Barbie™ Real Vacuum off, return Handle to upright position.
- 2.** To clean small areas, detach the Handle by depressing the button where the bottom of the Handle slides into the Barbie™ Real Vacuum and pull the entire Handle assembly out. Use the Barbie™ Real Vacuum by holding the built-in hand grip.
- 3.** When done, replace the Handle (if detached) and store for the next use.



## Maintenance

The key to maximum performance is emptying the Dirt Cup frequently and cleaning the Filter. Emptying the Dirt Cup after each use, and cleaning the Filter periodically, will help your GoVac operate at peak efficiency. This procedure should be done by an adult and not the child.

- 1.** Make sure that the Barbie™ Real Vacuum is in the “OFF” position.
- 2.** With Barbie™ Real Vacuum facing away from you, grasp Dust Cup in right hand and turn it toward you (toward the back of the Barbie™ Real Vacuum).
- 3.** Carry the Dust Cup, with filter in place, to a waste container. Remove Filter, empty debris, then replace Filter in Dust Cup.
- 4.** Replace Dust Cup by placing it in position and turning it away from you until it fits securely.
- 5.** Clean exterior surfaces with a soft cloth dampened with water only. Do not use a strong detergent or other cleaner - this may damage the finish. Always unplug the Barbie™ Real Vacuum from the electrical outlet before cleaning the surface.
- 6.** After heavy usage, you may clean the Filter by gently rinsing it in a bowl of water and mild dish detergent. Rinse thoroughly under running water and make certain it is completely dry before replacing it. You may also purchase replacement Filters.

Use only BISSELL Filters in the Barbie™ Real Vacuum. If the Filter becomes damaged or becomes too dirty to wash, you may purchase new filters by calling BISSELL Consumer Services.



### **WARNING:**

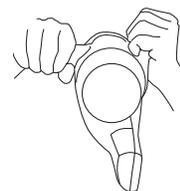
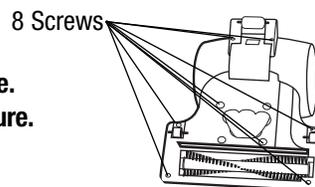
**Never operate the Barbie™ Real Vacuum without the Filter in place. Doing so may damage the motor and void the warranty.**

See the following instructions to dispose of the batteries after they have exceeded the battery life.  
An adult must always remove and dispose of the batteries.



**WARNING:** This product contains a nickel-cadmium (Ni-Cd) rechargeable battery pack. According to Federal and State regulations, removal and proper disposal of Ni-Cd batteries is required. For removal of the battery pack in your Barbie™ Real Vacuum, see instructions below:

1. **IMPORTANT:** Unplug charger.
2. Remove handle and dust cup.
3. Remove (8) Phillips head screws on the bottom cover as shown in picture.
4. Separate top and bottom cover by applying outward force as shown in picture.
5. Remove wire connectors from the battery pack.
6. Keep Battery Pack together - **DO NOT** separate individual batteries.  
For specific disposal instructions of batteries, please contact:  
RBRC (Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation) 1-800-822-8837 or  
visit the website: [www.rbrc.com](http://www.rbrc.com)
7. Discard remainder of product.



**Caution:** Opening the unit will destroy the appliance and invalidate the warranty.

## Troubleshooting

### Reduced Suction/No Suction.

#### Possible Causes

- 1 Filter is full

#### Remedies

- 1 Empty debris from Filter and clean.

### Not Powered/Underpowered.

#### Possible Causes

- 1 Barbie™ Real Vacuum not charged thoroughly

#### Remedies

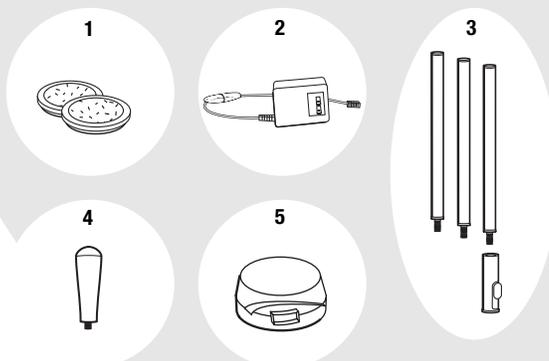
- 1 Make sure Barbie™ Real Vacuum has been properly plugged into an outlet for the recommended amount of time.
- 2 See Charging the Battery on page 5.

If suggested solutions for this or any function of the Barbie™ Real Vacuum do not correct the problem, call BISSELL Consumer Services.

## Replacement Parts

Item	Part No.	Part Name
1	203-3540	Filter (2 Pack)
2	204-1100	DC Adapter
3	203-4480	Metal Extension Handle (4 Sections)
4	204-1101	Handle Grip
5	203-0660	Dust Cup

**Note To Parents:** To order replacement parts using your VISA® or MasterCard® call:



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## Warranty

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which may vary from state to state. If you need additional instruction regarding this warranty or have questions regarding what it may cover, please contact BISSELL Consumer Services by e-mail, telephone, or regular mail as described below.

### Limited One Year Warranty

Subject to the \*EXCEPTIONS AND EXCLUSIONS identified below, upon receipt of the product, BISSELL Homecare, Inc. will repair or replace (with new or remanufactured components or products), at BISSELL's option, free of charge from the date of purchase by the original purchaser, for one year any defective or malfunctioning part.

See information below on "If your BISSELL product should require service".

This warranty applies to product used for personal, and not commercial or rental service. This warranty does not apply to fans or routine maintenance components such as filters, belts, or brushes. Damage or malfunction caused by negligence, abuse, or use not in accordance with the User's Guide is not covered.

### If your BISSELL product should require service:

Parents should call BISSELL Consumer Services at the number listed below or visit the BISSELL website - [www.bissell.com](http://www.bissell.com) to locate a BISSELL Authorized Service Center in your area.

-- The machine should be returned with a photocopy of your proof of purchase. (Your dated sales receipt is your warranty - do not send original.)

If you need information about repairs or replacement parts, or if you have questions about your warranty, contact BISSELL Consumer Services.

#### Website or E-mail:

[www.bissell.com](http://www.bissell.com)

Use the "Customer Services" tab.

#### Or Call:

BISSELL Consumer Services

1-800-237-7691

Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 10 p.m. ET

Saturday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. ET

#### Or Write:

BISSELL Homecare Inc.

PO Box 3606

Grand Rapids MI 49501

ATTN: Consumer Services

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Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

### \*EXCEPTIONS AND EXCLUSIONS FROM THE TERMS OF THE LIMITED WARRANTY

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