



SELECTING THE RIGHT VACUUM

Because regular vacuuming can literally extend your carpet's life, the type of vacuum cleaner you use is important. A vacuum's performance will vary based on the carpet's fiber type and construction. A good vacuum typically has features that allow you to adjust the height, beater bar rotation and fan speed. Vacuums with large wheels, self-propelled vacuums and/or specialty tools can also help ensure easy and effective carpet maintenance.

Features

Adjustable height is the most important feature because this enables the machine to be used on a wide variety of carpet constructions. If your vacuum is set too high above the carpet surface, the vacuum can't attract the gritty soil below. If the setting is too low, the vacuum's beater bar or brushes can "fuzz" the carpet's surface, causing it to look worn and frayed.

- When vacuuming high pile, wool, wool-blend, and premium soft carpets, look for the following features that will allow you to easily maintain your carpet:

Adjustable Height	Use the highest setting where appropriate
Efficient Airflow	Avoid vacuums with very concentrated or sealed suction
Large Wheels	Vacuum should glide easily across the carpet

- When vacuuming thick loop, casual frieze or long pile carpet such as "shag," you may need to completely disengage the beater bar and vacuum with suction only.
- For all other carpet constructions not mentioned above, use a vacuum with a rotating brush or beater bar. Change the bags often and check the beater bars for burs and gouges to prevent damage to the surface of the carpet.

If you're unsure about the proper height setting, use an inconspicuous place like a closet to test your vacuum. Its beater bar or brush should just lightly touch your carpet surface. Make sure it doesn't dig into or gouge the carpet pile.

You can also set your vacuum to the proper height and vacuum multiple times against the nap, always keeping the vacuum in the same area each time. After about 100 back-and-forth passes, get down at eye level with the carpet and look first at the vacuumed area, then at the adjoining area that wasn't vacuumed. After comparing, if you see any fraying or damage to the vacuumed area, you should change the setting or use a different vacuum on your carpet.

Nearly every vacuum manufacturer offers multiple models that can be used on a wide range of carpet constructions. The following examples have been recommended by the respective manufacturers and have been verified by Mohawk:

Standard Upright Vacuum Models

Hoover UH70120 (\$100-\$150)
Hoover UH70205 (\$150-\$200)
Hoover U5780-950 (\$150-\$200)
Dirt Devil UD70115 (\$50-\$100)
Eureka AS5203A (\$50-\$100)

Lightweight/No Depth Adjustment

Oreck Magnesium (\$250-\$300)
Oreck Magnesium RS (\$450-\$500)
Hoover Nano UH20020W (\$50-\$100)

Canister Vacuum Models

Hoover Canister S3865 (\$300-\$350)
Oreck Quest Pro (\$350-\$400)

Many other compatible models exist. Please contact the vacuum manufacturers directly for other product suggestions.

Bissell	(800) 237-7691	www.bissell.com
Dirt Devil	(800) 321-1134	www.dirtdevil.com
Electrolux	(800) 896-9756	smallappliances.electroluxusa.com
Eureka	(800) 896-9756	www.eureka.com
Hoover	(800) 944-9200	www.hoover.com
Oreck	(800) 989-3535	www.oreck.com

If you have any questions about vacuum cleaners or processes, please call Mohawk Technical Services at 888-387-9881 Option 2.

Select Vacuum Options for Premium Soft, High Pile Carpets.



Nearly every vacuum manufacturer offers multiple models that are ideal for premium soft carpets. The following examples have been recommended by the respective manufacturers and have been verified by Mohawk:



Eureka Airspeed Zuum (AS5203A)



Hoover Wind Tunnel Pet Rewind (UH70210)



Oreck Magnesium



Dirt Devil Quick Power (UD70115)



Hoover Nano Cyclonic Bagless (UH20020W)



Hoover Whole House (UH71214)



Hoover Wind Tunnel T Series Bagless (UH70107)



Hoover Wind Tunnel Pet Rewind (UH70212)



Hoover Wind Tunnel Rewind (UH70120)



Hoover Pet WindTunnel (UH70210)



Eureka Airspeed Zuum (AS5203A)



Hoover Wind Tunnel Pet Rewind (UH70210)



Oreck Magnesium