

Title (en)  
REMOVABLE ROTATABLE AGITATOR WITH A TAB CONFIGURED TO BE GRIPPED BY A USER

Title (de)  
HERAUSNEMBARES DREHBARES REINIGUNGSGORGAN MIT EINER LASCHE ZUM GREIFEN DURCH EINEN BENUTZER

Title (fr)  
AGITATEUR ROTATIF AMOVIBLE AVEC UNE LANGUETTE CONÇUE POUR ÊTRE SAISIE PAR UN UTILISATEUR

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Abstract (en)  
A surface cleaning head for a vacuum. The surface cleaning head comprises: a cleaning head housing (110, 710) having a front end portion, a rear end portion, laterally disposed sides, an upper portion and a bottom portion; an agitator chamber (120, 720) located in the front end portion (112) of the cleaning head housing, the agitator chamber having a top opening (117) through the upper portion of the cleaning head housing and a bottom opening (119) through the bottom portion of the cleaning head housing, and wherein the agitator chamber includes a nondriven side and a driven side; an agitator drive mechanism (150, 750) including a splined drive member (770) at the driven side of the agitator chamber and an agitator drive motor (752) drivingly coupled to the splined drive member; an external cover (122, 722, 2422, 2522, 2622, 2722, 2822, 2922) configured to be mounted to the cleaning head housing for covering the top opening of the agitator chamber such that the external cover forms a top portion of the agitator chamber, wherein the external cover is completely removable from the cleaning head housing; and a rotatable driven agitator (130, 730) removably mounted within the agitator chamber such that the rotatable agitator contacts a surface through the bottom opening of the agitator chamber, wherein the rotatable agitator is accessible and removable through the top opening of the agitator chamber when the external cover is removed. The rotatable agitator (130, 730) comprises: an agitator body (131, 531, 631, 731); an end cap (790); a splined driven member (780); and at least one agitator element (136, 536).

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