

MODEL SF-445



COMPACT FABRIC STEAMER

OWNER'S GUIDE

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

This owner's guide and any additional inserts are considered part of the product. They contain important information about safety, use, and disposal. Before using the product, please familiarize yourself with all operating and safety instructions. Please keep all documents for future reference and pass these documents on, together with the product, to any future owner. See steamfast.com for the most current version of this owner's guide.

INTENDED USE: This product is intended to be used indoors for the steaming of garments and other fabrics in the United States and/or Canada. This product is not intended for commercial or industrial uses. The manufacturer assumes no responsibility for damage or injury due to unauthorized use or product modification. Failure to follow these directions will void the product warranty.

WARNING: Risk to Children and Impaired Persons. Supervision is required during the installation, operation, cleaning and maintenance of this product by children age 12 and younger and anyone with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities. Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance, its parts and packaging material.

When using electrical appliances, basic precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and injury to persons, including the following:

Directions to reduce risk of fire, electrical shock, and injury:

- 1. Read all instructions before use.
- **2.** Use caution when handling this steam unit. Burns could occur from touching hot metal parts, hot water, or steam. Use special care to avoid contact with hot water when turning the product upside down to empty the reservoir.
- 3. To reduce the risk of contact with hot water, test whether steam is ready before each use while carefully holding the product away from your body. If no steam appears, wait a few more minutes and test again. Do not look into the appliance, use your hands or other objects to check for steam.
- **4.** Do not leave appliance unattended while connected.
- 5. To reduce the risk of electric shock, do not immerse the appliance in water or other liquids.
- 6. Do not place or store unit where it can fall or be pulled into a sink or tub.
- 7. If unit falls into water, immediately unplug power cord. Do not reach into the water.
- **8.** Always disconnect appliance from electrical outlet when filling with water or emptying, and when not in use.
- **9.** Do not allow cord to touch hot surfaces. Let appliance cool completely before putting away. Loop cord loosely around appliance when storing.
- **10.** Never yank cord to disconnect from outlet. Instead, grasp just the plug and pull to disconnect.
- **11.** Do not use power cord as handle, let it hang over edges of counters, or be crimped or closed in doors.
- **12.** Do not operate appliance with a damaged cord, or if the appliance has been dropped or damaged. To reduce the risk of electric shock, do not disassemble or attempt to repair the appliance. All repairs must be performed by a qualified service professional. Incorrect

- reassembly or repair could cause a risk of fire, electric shock, or injury when the appliance is used.
- 13. A loose fit between wall outlet (receptacle) and plug may cause overheating and distortion of the pluq. Discontinue use of the product in this outlet. Contact a qualified electrician to replace loose or worn outlets.
- 14. To reduce the likelihood of circuit overload, do not operate another high wattage appliance on the same circuit.
- 15. Before plugging power cord into electrical outlet, be sure that all electrical information on rating label agrees with your power supply.
- 16. If an extension cord is absolutely necessary, a 15 amp rated cord should be used. Cords rated for less amperage may overheat. Care should be taken to arrange the cord so that the cord cannot be pulled or tripped over.
- 17. To reduce the risk of electric shock, this appliance has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other). 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 to install the proper outlet. Do not change the plug in any way.
- 18. Do not use unit where aerosol-based products are being used, or where oxygen is being administered.
- 19. CAUTION: If unit tips over while turned on and producing steam, it will continue to produce steam. Use caution when picking unit up.
- 20. Do not tamper with or modify this product in any way. The manufacturer assumes no responsibility for damage or injury caused by failure to follow these instructions, improper use, or unauthorized product modification. Any such actions will invalidate the product warranty.
- 21. Use appliance only for its intended use.

WARNING: Changes or modifications to this unit not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

READ AND SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

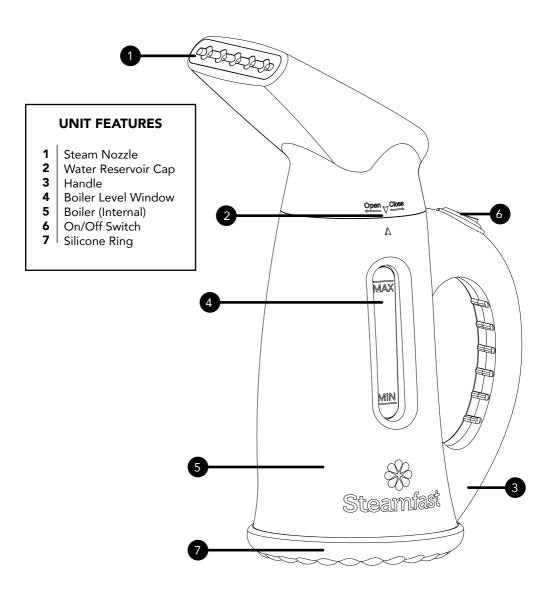
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Product Information

The following features are included with your Compact Fabric Steamer. Carefully inspect the packing material for all parts listed below. To obtain possible missing parts, refer to **Product Support** on Page 10 of this manual for Consumer Service contact information.



- The Steam Nozzle (1) emits the flow of hot, penetrating steam produced by the Boiler.
- The Water Reservoir Cap (2) is designed to safely contain steam inside the Boiler, while providing easy access to the Boiler's fill hole.
- The Handle (3) is designed to stay cool while providing maximum grip and comfort.
- The Boiler Level Window (4) permits a clear view of the water level inside the Boiler, and is marked to indicate the maximum water level for easy filling.
- The Boiler (5) is the internal reservoir where water is held and converted into steam. For optimal steam production, the Boiler should not be filled past the MAX mark (11.35 oz. / 335 ml.) indicated on the Boiler Level Window.
- The On/Off Switch (6) powers the unit On and Off.
- The Silicone Ring (7) provides a non-slip surface and stability.



Using Your Compact Fabric Steamer

FILLING BOILER WITH WATER

- 1. Place Compact Fabric Steamer on a flat, level surface.
- 2. Make sure power cord is unplugged from electrical outlet.

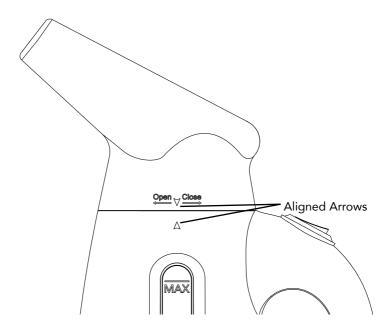
CAUTION: If unit has been in use, allow Boiler to cool (5 minutes for minimum cooling before removing Water Reservoir Cap and adding water).

- 3. Remove Water Reservoir Cap by turning clockwise.
- **4.** Carefully fill Boiler with water from a faucet, bottle or cup. Use Boiler Level Window to gauge water level, stopping when it reaches the MAX mark.

WARNING: MAX mark on Boiler Level Window represents the unit's maximum usable water capacity (11.35 oz. / 335 ml.). Exceeding this amount will result in water spitting from Steam Nozzle.

NOTE: In order to minimize potential mineral build-up and prolong the life of your Compact Fabric Steamer, distilled or de-mineralized water is recommended when filling Boiler.

5. Replace Water Reservoir Cap by turning counter clockwise and until the arrows are aligned.



FABRIC STEAMING

CAUTION: When steaming any material for the first time, it is recommended that you test on a small inconspicuous area before proceeding. Do not use on synthetic fabrics such as 100% nylon or polyester, or other steam-sensitive materials.

NOTE: Be sure the Boiler has already been filled before following these steps (refer to Page 6 for details).

- 1. Plug power cord into a standard electrical outlet.
- 2. After approximately 2 minutes, steam will begin emitting from Steam Nozzle.
- **3.** Direct Steam Nozzle towards fabric material you wish to steam. See below for additional tips and procedures.

CAUTION: Always be sure that Steam Nozzle is pointed in a safe direction (away from yourself, other people, pets and plants) when steaming.

Steaming garments:

- Hang garment from a clean, rust-free hanger.
- Direct Steam Nozzle towards bottom of garment. Steam will rise along inside and outside of material, removing wrinkles. Slowly slide Steam Nozzle upward from bottom to top of garment.
- Direct Steam Nozzle away from garment and smooth material with your free hand.
- Repeat as necessary until garment is fresh and wrinkle-free.

General steaming tips:

- For most effective results, hold Steam Nozzle within 1/2" of fabrics, or press it directly against surfaces.
- Curtains and draperies can be steamed while still hanging.
- To remove wrinkles from towels, handkerchiefs and napkins, drape them over a rod or towel rack and gently steam them.
- Heavier fabrics may require repeated steaming to achieve desired results.
- To remove exceptionally stubborn wrinkles, steam both sides of fabric.
- Be especially careful when steaming any delicate fabrics that may be damaged by heat or water spotting.
- To sanitize a fabric, hold Steam Nozzle within 1/2 inch of a single area for at least 5 seconds. Use caution when doing this on more delicate fabrics.

When you are finished using your Compact Fabric Steamer, immediately unplug power cord from electrical outlet. Refer to **Storage & Care** guidelines on Page 8 of this manual for proper storage and maintenance procedures.

Storage & Care

PROPER STORAGE

Preparing your Compact Fabric Steamer for storage is quick and simple. When you have finished your steaming tasks, follow the steps listed below.

- 1. Unplug power cord from electrical outlet.
- 2. Allow unit to cool (15 minutes for complete cooling).
- **3.** Remove Water Reservoir Cap. Drain any water remaining in Boiler into a sink or tub, then add 1 oz. water. Shake to release mineral buildup and empty tank to minimize potential mineral build-up. Replace Water Reservoir Cap.
- 4. Bundle power cord loosely.
- 5. Store Compact Fabric Steamer in a cool, dry location.

MINERAL BUILD-UP

A common maintenance need for steam appliances is the removal of build-up caused by high mineral content in many municipal water supplies. This mineral build-up may cause the unit to spew water, limit the effectiveness and reduce the life of your Compact Fabric Steamer.

The best way to minimize mineral build-up is to use distilled or de-mineralized water when using your Compact Fabric Steamer. In addition, it is recommended that the Boiler be cleaned at least once a month in order to remove any deposits that form. This will help to extend the life of your Compact Fabric Steamer and keep it functioning at its maximum potential.

Maintenance:

After EACH USE, allow unit to cool, add 1 oz. water, shake to release mineral buildup and empty tank.

To remove mineral build-up:

1. Unplug power cord from electrical outlet.

IMPORTANT: Unit should remain unplugged during cleaning procedure.

- 2. Allow unit to cool (15 minutes for complete cooling).
- 3. Remove Water Reservoir Cap and drain any water remaining in Boiler into a sink or tub.
- **4.** Using a measuring cup, measure 4 oz. (118 ml.) of vinegar.
- **5.** Slowly pour vinegar into Boiler.
- **6.** Allow vinegar to soak in Boiler for 30-40 minutes.
- **7.** Drain vinegar from Boiler into a sink or tub. Refill Boiler with fresh water, drain and repeat until vinegar odor dissipates.
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- 9. Bundle power cord loosely and store Compact Fabric Steamer in a cool, dry location.



Troubleshooting

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SOLUTION
Unit fails to heat up.	Unit is not plugged in.	Plug power cord into electrical outlet.
	Household circuit breaker / ground fault interrupter has tripped or blown a fuse.	Reset circuit breaker / ground fault inter- rupter, or replace fuse. For assistance, contact a licensed electrician.
	Unit is damaged or in need of repair.	Immediately cease usage and unplug. Contact Consumer Service for assistance (see Page 10 for details).
	No water in Boiler.	Refer to Filling Boiler With Water procedure on Page 6 to refill Boiler.
Steam output is weak or intermittent.	Water level in Boiler is running low.	Refer to Filling Boiler With Water procedure on Page 6 to refill Boiler.
	Mineral build-up in unit.	Refer to Mineral Build-up section on Page 8 for cleaning procedure.
Unit is spewing water.	Water tank is overfilled.	Do not fill past max line.
	Mineral build-up in tank.	Refer to Mineral Build-up section on Page 8 for cleaning procedure.

CONSUMER SERVICES

For problems with your Compact Fabric Steamer, please refer to the troubleshooting guide located above. Additional inquiries should be directed to our consumer support services through our Web site, **steamfast.com**.

If you do not have internet access, you may also contact our Consumer Service Department by telephone, at **1-800-711-6617**.

NOTE: In order for our Consumer Service representatives to help you as quickly and efficiently as possible, please have the following information ready before calling:

- Purchase information (where and when you purchased this product)
- Copy of purchase receipt / proof of purchase
- Product serial number (located near electrical specification label on bottom of unit)
- Date code (4-digit number located on electrical specification label on bottom of unit)

For information regarding your 1 Year Limited Warranty, refer to Page 11 of this manual.



Product Support

NOTE: Due to continuing improvements, part numbers listed above may change. For assistance ordering parts, please contact Consumer Service directly.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

MODEL SF-445

VOLTAGE 120V

WATTAGE 800W

AMPERAGE 6.7A

WATER CAPACITY 11.35 OZ. (335 ML.)

HEATING TIME 2 MIN. (APPROXIMATE)

CONTINUOUS STEAM TIME 17 MIN. (APPROXIMATE)

UNIT WEIGHT 1.5 LBS. (0.68 KG.)

UNIT DIMENSIONS 6.64" (16.9 CM.) x 4.25" (10.8 CM.) x 10.59" (26.9 CM.)

POWER CORD LENGTH 8' (244.0 CM.)



Warranty Information

2-YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

What is covered

Steamfast, a division of Vornado Air, LLC ("Steamfast"). Subject to the terms and conditions of this 2-Year Limited Warranty ("Warranty") as set forth below, Steamfast warrants to the original consumer or purchaser ("Buyer") that this Steamfast®-branded steam product, excluding all accessories and attachments, (the "Product") is to be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of two (2) years from the date of purchase when used and maintained in accordance with the Owner's Guide (the "Warranty Period"). In the event Buyer notifies Steamfast of a defect in the Product within the Warranty Period, Steamfast will replace the Product and/or defective component parts, as applicable and necessary. Any such replacement will be made at no charge to Buyer for parts or labor, provided that Buyer shall be responsible for all shipping and transportation costs associated with returning the Product to Steamfast for inspection and covered replacement.

What is not covered

This Warranty shall not be applicable to damage or loss caused in whole or in part by:

- Repairs, modifications or alterations to the Product by anyone other than Steamfast.
- Use or operation of the Product outside the permitted or intended uses described by Steamfast in the Owner's Guide, or other careless operation, handling, misuse, or abuse of the Product.
- Lack of proper maintenance or timely cleaning of the Product as specified in the Owner's Guide.
- Use of the Product other than for normal household purposes.
- Normal wear and tear.
- Used consumable parts, accessories and attachments, including, but not limited to, brushes, hangers, scrub pads and mop pads.
- Use of parts and accessories other than those produced or recommended by Steamfast.
- Cosmetic damage, such as scratches, nicks and dents.
- Damage caused by accident, water, flood, fire or other acts of nature or external causes.

Warranty limitations and exclusions

- NO OTHER EXPRESS WARRANTY IS GIVEN BY STEAMFAST TO BUYER AND NO REPRESENTATIVE HAS THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS OTHER THAN THOSE PROVIDED HEREIN.
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 CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL STEAMFAST BE LIABLE TO BUYER OR ANY OTHER PERSON FOR
 ANY INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, OR OTHER DAMAGES, EVEN IF STEAMFAST
 HAS BEEN ADVISED OF OR COULD REASONABLY FORESEE THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH
 DAMAGES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, LOSS OF PROFITS OR DAMAGE, WHETHER
 RISING OUT OF BREACH OF WARRANTY, BREACH OF CONTRACT OR UNDER ANY OTHER
 THEORY OF LAW.



Warranty Information

 THIS WARRANTY GIVES BUYER SPECIFIC LEGAL RIGHTS. BUYER MAY ALSO HAVE OTHER RIGHTS WHICH VARY FROM STATE-TO-STATE. SOME STATES DO NOT ALLOW THE EXCLUSION OR LIMITATION OF INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, AND SOME STATES DO NOT ALLOW LIMITATIONS ON HOW LONG AN IMPLIED WARRANTY LASTS, SO THE ABOVE LIMITATION OR EXCLUSION MAY NOT APPLY TO BUYER.

How do you register the Warranty

Buyer must complete an application to register this Warranty within sixty (60) days following date of purchase. Buyer may either visit Steamfast's website at steamfast.com and complete an online application or mail a completed application to Steamfast. Failure to register this Warranty within sixty (60) days following date of purchase will render this Warranty null and void.

Warranty service

For warranty service, call 1-800-711-6617 or email consumerservice@steamfast.com to obtain a Return Authorization ("RA") form. Include the Product model number and serial number, as well as Buyer's name, address, city, state, zip code and phone number when contacting Steamfast for warranty service. Buyer may be required to provide the original sales receipt for purposes of verifying date of purchase. After receiving the RA form, the Product must be shipped, postage prepaid by Buyer, to:

Steamfast Attn: Warranty & Repair 415 F. 13th Street Andover, KS 67002, U.S.

To assure proper handling, packages must be clearly marked with the RA number. Packages not clearly marked with the RA number may be refused at the receiving dock.

Important: After receiving return authorization, carefully pack the Product to avoid damage in shipping. Damage in shipping is not covered by the Warranty and shall be the sole responsibility of Buyer. Damage or loss not covered by this Warranty or occurring outside the Warranty Period will require a fee to cover the cost of handling and shipping. All such fees and costs shall be the sole responsibility of Buyer.

Please allow at least 1-2 weeks for return of the Product after it is received by Steamfast. For ease of recordkeeping, it is recommended that Buyer staple or attached the original sales receipt to this Owner's Guide and record the Product serial number (located on the Product specifications decal) here:

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