

Not All Vacuums are Created Equal

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In terms of residential carpets, it's important to use a vacuum that is suitable for the material you have and appropriate for your home's unique layout. This checklist will help you learn about 5 different types of vacuums so you can determine which will work best for your residential carpet.

✓ Upright Vacuums

Upright vacuums are designed with powerful suction and tilt/push maneuvering and come in bagged or bagless options. This type of vacuum is the most common and is used for easy back-and-forth carpet cleaning on large, flat floors. When selecting an upright vacuum cleaner for residential use, look for a brush roll that can be adjusted for various pile thicknesses throughout your home.

✓ Stick Vacuums

Stick vacuum cleaners are lightweight and slim. They use a rotating brush and gentle suction to remove dirt and debris. Their small heads can easily maneuver around furniture and narrow crevices making them ideal for touch-ups. Stick vacuums are great supplementary cleaning devices but they are not large or powerful enough to replace a traditional upright vacuum cleaner.

✓ Canister Vacuums

Canister vacuums are very powerful cleaning tools that usually come with a variety of attachments. They consist of a tank that connects to a long hose and are great for cleaning just about any residential space. Canister vacuums have motorized brushes that can clear carpets of dust and debris while other attachments are designed to easily clean furniture, curtains, stairs, and hard-to-reach corners.

✓ Handheld Vacuums

Handheld vacuum cleaners are small, lightweight, and portable. They are intended for grab-and-go cleaning and are available in cordless models with or without rotating brushes. They are great for quickly cleaning small messes but should not be used to replace a standard vacuum for deeper cleaning.

✓ Robotic Vacuums

Robotic vacuums independently roll around your home cleaning up dirt and dust. They can be controlled by a remote or programmed to clean at night or when you're away from home. They are great for in-between residential carpet cleaning and can easily get underneath furniture and areas that are hard to reach for other cleaning devices. However, robotic vacuums have small dust bins and light to moderate cleaning power that does not compare to standard upright models.

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