

# NSS HIGH-SPEED BATTERY BURNISHERS

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS



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### INTENDED USE

NSS Burnishers are intended for commercial use, buffing and burnishing floors in an indoor environment. It is not intended for spray burnishing. NSS does not recommend using these machines for any other purpose.

### FOR SAFETY

- **ALWAYS** read and understand all instructions before operating or servicing machine.
- **ALWAYS** use this machine **ONLY** as described in this manual.
- **NEVER** attempt to operate this machine unless you have been trained in its operation.
- **NEVER** allow an untrained person to operate this machine.
- **ALWAYS** operate this machine from the rear control panel, not from the side.
- **ALWAYS** turn off master switch when attaching or changing pads.
- **NEVER** attempt to operate this machine if it is not working properly or has been damaged in any manner.
- **NEVER** disconnect or modify any switches or safety devices (circuit breaker).
- **NEVER** drop or insert any object into any machine opening.
- **NEVER** operate this machine with any air opening blocked. Keep all air openings free of dust, lint, hair, etc.
- **NEVER** pick up anything that is burning or smoking, such as cigarettes, matches or hot ashes.
- **NEVER** use flammable liquids (gas, kerosene, solvents, or thinners) to clean or burnish floor.

- **NEVER** allow this machine to be used as a toy. Close attention is necessary when used by or near children.
- **ALWAYS** wear clean tennis shoes or “non-slip” shoes. Leather soled shoes will be extremely slippery.
- **ALWAYS** keep face, fingers, hair or any other body part or loose clothing away from any machine opening or moving part (revolving pad driver).
- **ALWAYS** be sure that the ramp is secured to the vehicle before attempting to load / unload.
- **ALWAYS** use extreme caution when operating the machine on a ramp or loading / unloading this machine into or out of a truck / trailer. Use extreme caution if the ramp is wet, oily, or covered with cleaning chemicals.
- **NEVER** stop or turn the machine on a ramp or incline.
- **NEVER** attempt to climb a grade or operate this machine on a ramp or incline of more than 20 degrees.
- **ALWAYS** store this machine indoors in a dry, cool area.
- **NEVER** park or store the machine near a dock, on ramps, near a furnace, boiler, open flame, or other high heat source.
- **NEVER** spray this machine with water or any liquids.
- **NEVER** allow the vacuum motor or battery charging plug to get wet or a short may occur.
- **NEVER** operate this machine when the battery charger is plugged in.
- **NEVER** operate the machine outdoors or allow machine to freeze.
- **NEVER** expose the machine to rain, snow, or extreme temperatures.
- **NEVER** store any items on the machine.

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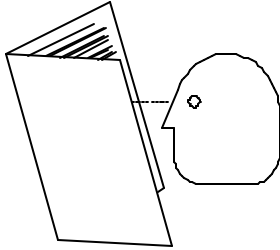


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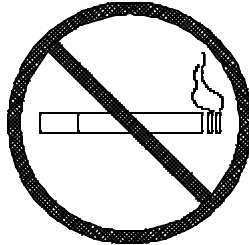
## BATTERY POWERED EQUIPMENT



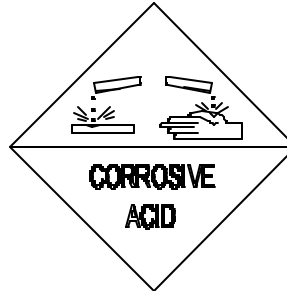
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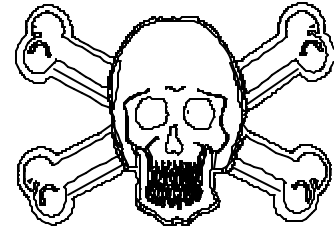
Read and understand all instructions before installing or charging batteries.



No smoking, open flames, or sparks while working with batteries.



Contains acid. Avoid contact.



Poison. Causes severe burns. Avoid contact.



**WARNING:** Batteries emit hydrogen, which can cause fire or explosion. **NEVER** smoke, light a match, or cause a spark during operation or charging. **ALWAYS** charge in a well-ventilated area away from open flame.

## GENERAL

- **ALWAYS** read and understand all instructions before installing or charging batteries.
- **NEVER** attempt to install or charge batteries unless you have been trained to do so.
- **NEVER** allow an untrained person to install or charge batteries.
- **ALWAYS** remove all jewelry when working on or near the batteries.
- **ALWAYS** turn off all switches during installation and service.
- **ALWAYS** disconnect the battery leads before performing any service or repair.
- **ALWAYS** wear eye protection and protective clothing to avoid contact with battery acid.
- **NEVER** lay anything on top of batteries as arcing may occur.
- **IF CONTACT WITH BATTERY ACID OCCURS**, follow these instructions:
  - SKIN – rinse area with water.
  - EYES – Flush with water for 15 minutes.
  - INTERNAL – Drink water or milk. Follow with Milk of Magnesia, beaten egg or vegetable oil. Call a physician immediately.

## BATTERY INSTALLATION

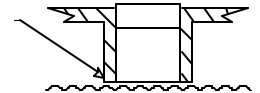
- **ALWAYS** use two people to install, as batteries are heavy.
- **ALWAYS** turn off all machine switches.
- **ALWAYS** position batteries as shown on the machine installation decal to maintain machine balance.
- **ALWAYS** connect batteries as shown on the machine installation decal to avoid shorting out the batteries and the electrical system.

## BATTERY CHARGING

- **ALWAYS** read instructions on charger carefully.
- **ALWAYS** use the NSS supplied charger with proper voltage rating.

**For lead acid batteries only, (does not apply to gel cell or maintenance free batteries).**

- **ALWAYS** check to ensure the battery water level covers the battery plates before charging.
- **ALWAYS** check water level after charging and add water if necessary to bring level to the bottom of the fill hole.
- **NEVER** overfill batteries as battery and machine damage may result.
- **ALWAYS** wipe any acid from the top of batteries using a soap solution.
- **ALWAYS** reattach caps to batteries. Do not charge with caps loose or removed.
- **ADD** only distilled or treated city water. Not well water.

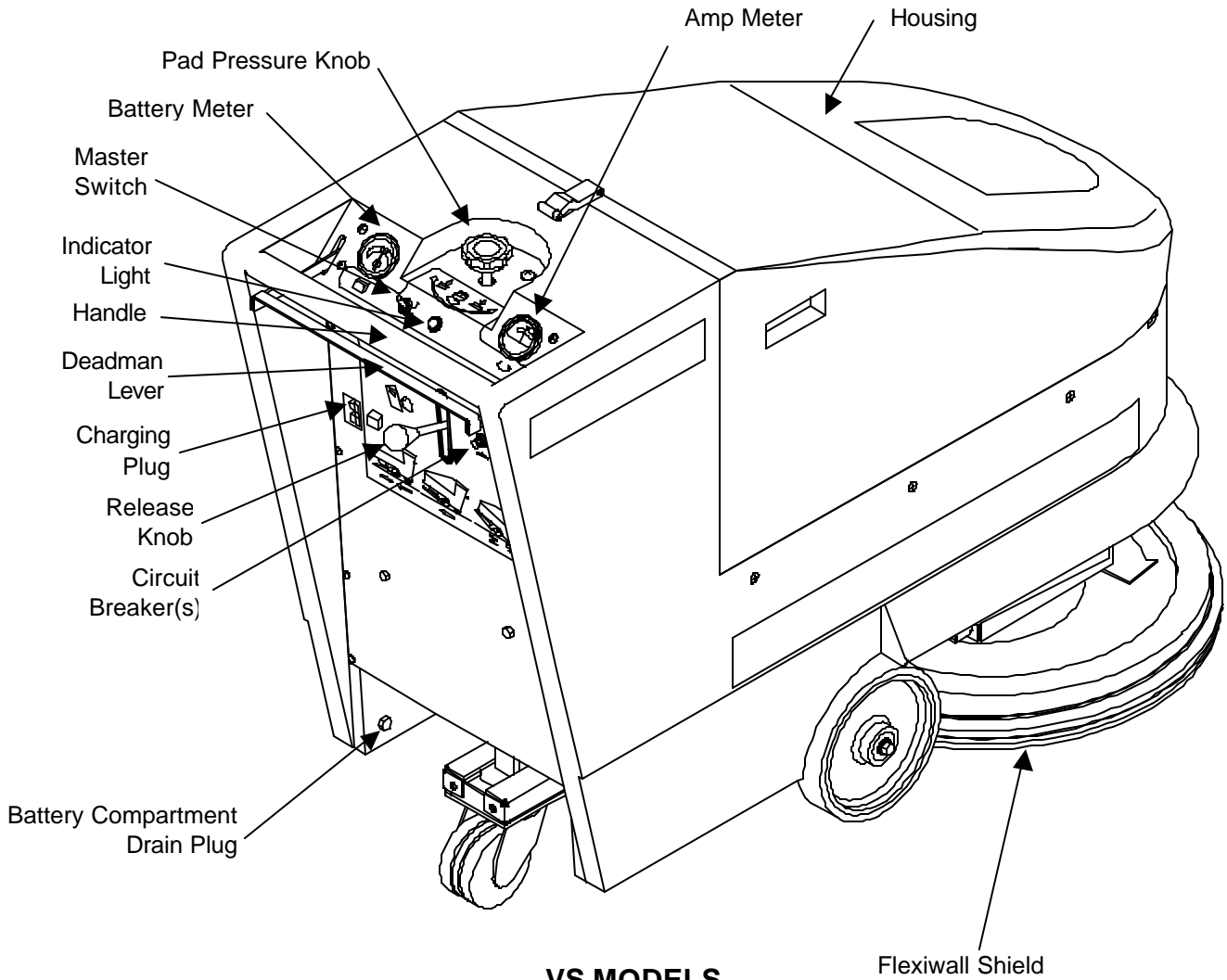


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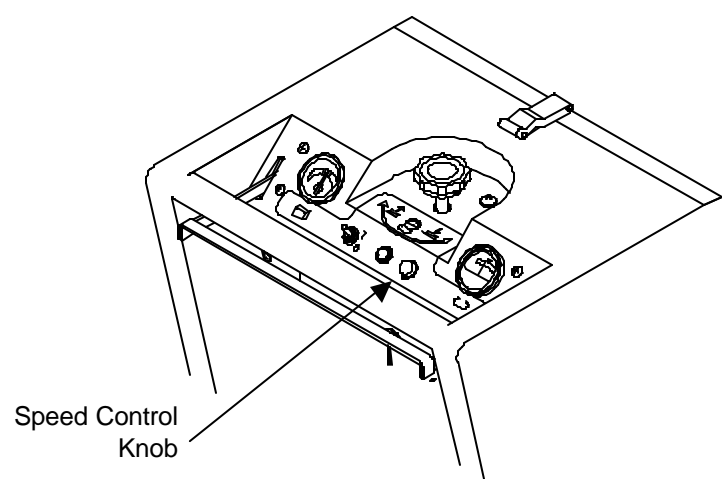
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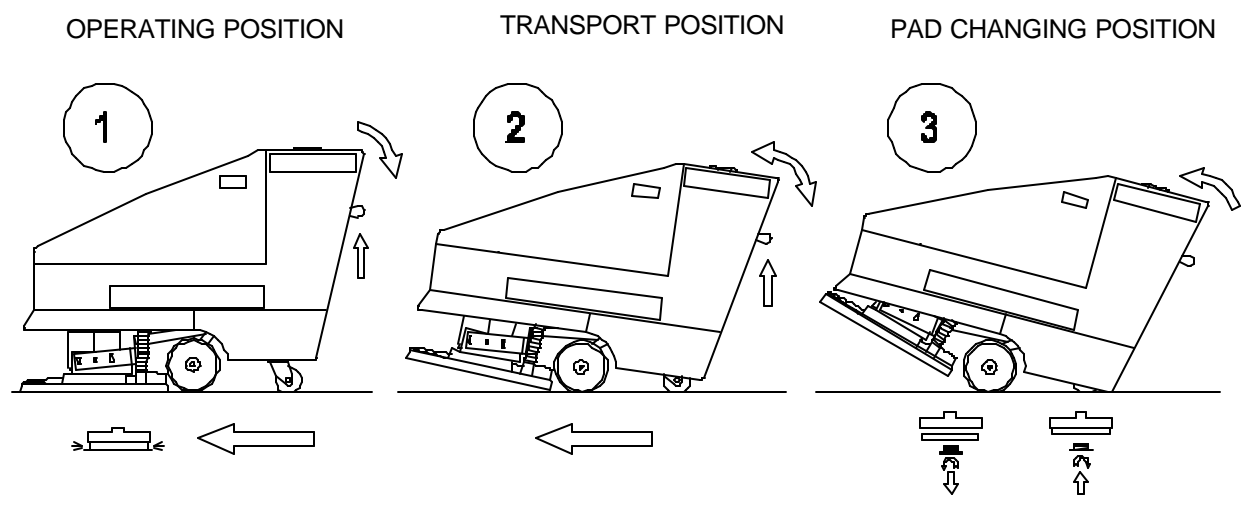
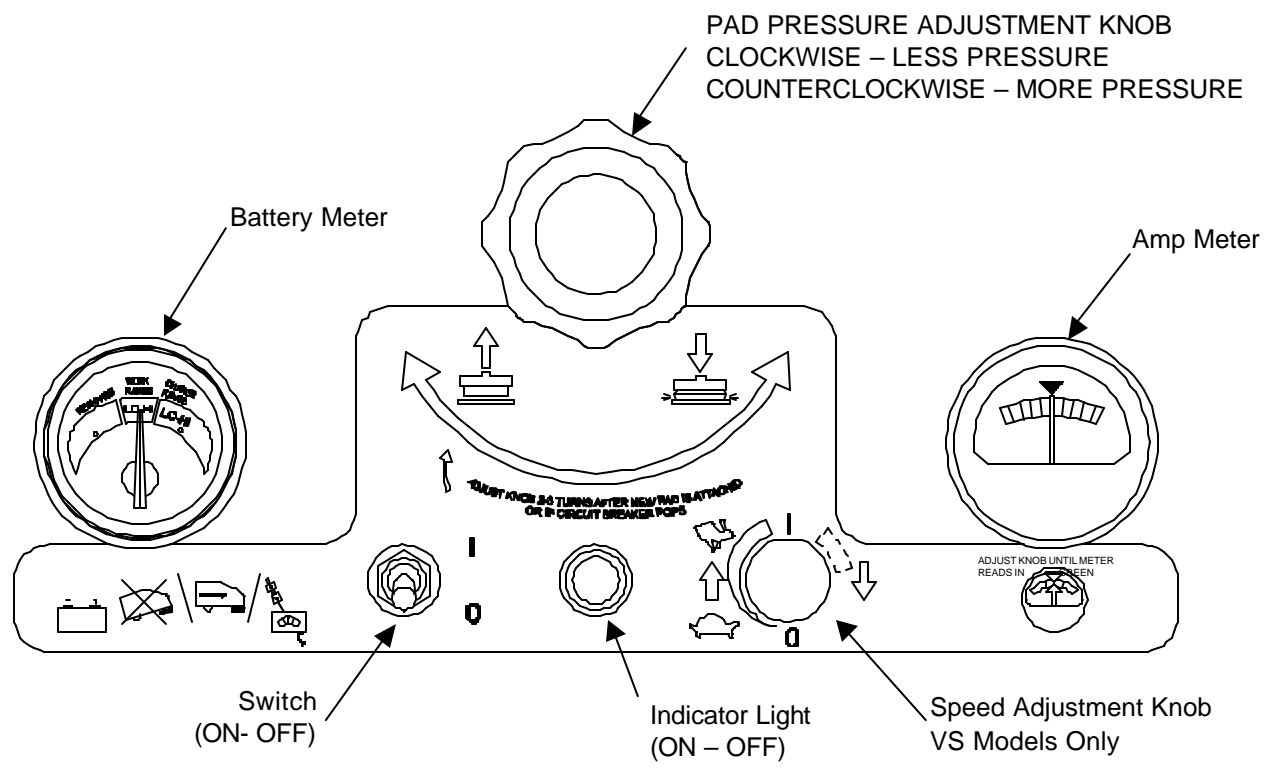


**NON - VS MODELS**



**VS MODELS**





## MACHINE INSPECTION

- Carefully, unpack the machine and recycle all packing materials.
- Inspect the machine for damage or missing components. If damage is found, contact the local freight company to file a freight claim.

## UNPACKING INSTRUCTIONS

- Remove staples and lift off carton.
- Disconnect pallet anchors.
- Remove the foam from under pad drivers.
- Put ramp in place.
- Slowly, back machine off pallet.

## MACHINE COMPONENTS

### Housing

The housing protects both the batteries and the internal components. It is made of durable Polyethylene.

### Pad Pressure Knob

Located in the middle of the control panel at the upper most point. Turning this knob controls the pressure the pad exerts on the floor.

### Operator Control Panel

The operator control panel is located at the upper rear area of the machine. This panel has components that control various machine functions.

- The toggle switch on the left side of the panel turns the unit on and off.
- The light in the center, when lit up, indicates the unit is turned on.
- The knob on the right; only if this is a variable speed (VS) machine, adjusts the speed of the machine.

### Battery Meter

The battery meter is located on the left side of the operator control panel and shows the state of charge of batteries during operation and recharge.

- Work Range - This is the green area in the middle of the meter. It shows the approximate amount of "power" available in the batteries. Observe this reading when operating this machine.
- Recharge Range - This is the red area on the left of the meter. It shows when the batteries need to be recharged. Continued machine operation in this area will cause battery damage and potential machine damage.

### Amp Meter

- The amp meter is located on the right side of the control panel and is a visual indication of the amount of pad pressure. The pad is adjusted properly when the needle on the amp meter, on average stays in the green area indicating proper amps.

### Dead Man Lever

This bar is located just under the handle. When squeezed it activates the pad driving motor, on VS Models, it also turns on the wheel drive motor to propel the machine. It is not functional in the pad changing position.

### Battery Charging Plug

- This plug is located on the left side of the rear panel.
- To recharge the batteries, insert the battery charger plug into the charging plug.
- This plug is gray on 36-volt machines. See charging instructions for more details.

### Release Knob

Located in the center of the back panel, this knob is used to adjust the positions of the machine.

- The machine is in the operating position when the handle is at its highest level.
- The machine is in the transport position when the handle is in the center position.
- The machine is in the pad changing position when the handle is at its lowest level.
- See diagram on page 4.

### Circuit Breaker (s)

Located on the right side of the rear panel is the circuit breaker. If this is a VS model there will be two circuit breakers.

- Too much pad pressure may cause the circuit breaker(s) to disconnect the circuit to the motor. If this happens, reduce the pad pressure, push the black button, and continue running the machine.

### Battery Compartment Drain Plug

This plug is located on the left and right side of the machine inside the rear panel. Spilled liquids from the battery compartment area are collected here. Remove the plug to drain, disposed of all liquids according to your local EPA regulations.

### Flexiwall Shield

The Flexiwall shield creates a seal with the floor to contain and collect any dust created by the burnishing operation.

### Speed Control Knob (VS Models only)

The Speed Control Knob gives the user the ability to adjust the forward travel speed of the machine, by positioning the dial in the green area. Turning the knob counterclockwise to position it in the red dotted area, will essentially put the machine in neutral and allow the machine to be easily pulled in reverse.

### Brush Gear Motor

This machine has a 36-volt brush motor located at the front of the machine.

- The Charger 2000BP / 2500BP utilizes a 2.5 HP (1.8 KW.) permanent magnet motor to drive the 20" (51cm.) pad.
- The Ultra Maxx utilizes a 3 HP (2.2 KW.) permanent magnet motor to drive the 27" (69cm) pad.
- These motors have carbon brushes that must be serviced on a regular basis. Refer to the maintenance section later in this book.

### Wheel Drive Motor

- VS machines are powered by a 36-volt drive motor.
- The speed is electronically controlled for smooth increase and decrease of speed.
- The motor moves the drive wheels through a chain and sprocket system.
- This motor has carbon brushes that must be serviced on a regular basis.  
Refer to the maintenance section later in this book.

### Battery Packages

- These machines utilize a 36-volt system, and are available with three (3) 12-volt, 210-Amp Hour Batteries.
- Consult your local NSS authorized distributor for application recommendations.
- Do not substitute smaller batteries, as the balance of the machine will be affected.

## MACHINE OPERATION

### General Information

This machine works best with dry polishing or burnishing. Use mop on restorers rather than spray buff systems to restore the shine.

Spray buffing is time consuming, uses more pads because they become loaded with floor finish, and can cause overloading of the machine's circuit breaker.

### Preparing the Machine for use

#### Install the batteries:

- Always wear protective glasses and clothing when handling batteries.  
See Battery Warnings on page 2.
- Turn off all switches, unlatch the clasps and slide the housing forward to expose the battery compartment.
- Batteries are heavy - use two people to install.
- Refer to wiring diagram inside the battery compartment. Align batteries in compartment as shown on diagram.
- Install battery cables as shown on wiring diagram.
- Tighten bolts and hex nuts with a wrench.

**Caution:** Do not short across two terminals with a wrench.

**Caution:** Loose or improper battery connections will cause battery or machine damage and possible personal injury.

- Install terminal boots over terminals to complete installation.

#### Check the Battery Charge

Turn the switch to the "I" position. Check to see that the indicator light is on. With master switch on, check battery meter for charge indication.

- When the needle is in the red area on the left side, marked "recharge", the batteries are too low to operate and should be recharged.
- When the needle is in the green area, the batteries are within the high to low working range.

- When the needle is in the red area on the right side of the gauge it indicates the level of battery charge while connected to the charger.
- When needle is in the far right, red area, shown as high, and the automatic charger has shut off, charging of the batteries is complete.

### Pad Installation / Changing

Lower the back of the machine to Position 3 (see bottom figure on page 4), by lifting up on the release knob with one hand, and with your other hand on the operator handle, gently lower the back of the machine until it rest on the floor.

- Make sure that the correct pad (7/8" to 1") X 20" is being installed.
- Place the pad flat on the floor, and remove the center hole of the pad, step on the center of the pad to compress the edges around the center hole. This will allow easier installation of the pad holding cup.
- With the machine in the pad changing position, carefully center the pad on the driver.

**Caution:** Pads must be installed concentric (evenly aligned) with the outside edge of the pad driver.

Failure to follow these precautions will cause excessive machine vibration, a reduction in pad life and produce unsatisfactory burnishing results.

- Place the pad grabber in the center hole of the pad.
- Holding the pad driver and pad, push upward on the pad grabber until the spring clip has clicked twice.

**Caution:** Failure to install the pad grabber tightly may allow the pad to be thrown from the driver.

There is a wide range of pads and brushes available for the many burnishing applications of this machine. Consult your local NSS authorized distributor for application recommendations

### Transporting the Machine to the work site

From the pad changing position raise the back of the machine up by lifting up on the operator's handle with both hands, until you hear the adjustment knob "click" into position. The machine is now ready for transport. See bottom figure on page 4.

- On pad assist machines, push the machine to the work site turn the master switch to "I", and pull up on the dead man lever.
- On VS models, adjust the speed control knob to an appropriate speed, turn the master switch to "I", and pull up on the dead man lever.

### Operating the Machine

From the transport position raise the back of the machine up by lifting up on the operator's handle with both hands. The machine will automatically stop in position 1, see bottom figure on page 4.

- Turn the master switch to "I"; check the level of battery work range (put machine on "charge" if not in the high range).

- Push the machine forward slightly and squeeze the deadman switch lever to activate the pad driving motor.
- The machine will tilt forward slightly as the pad sucks to the floor.

**CAUTION:** This Machine must be moving at all times when the pad is rotating or the floor may be damaged. Never operate this machine with the needle in the red area of the amp meter, or damage to the machine from overload may result. See Setting / Adjusting Pad pressure.

### Setting / Adjusting Pad Pressure

- Adjust the black knob in the center of the Control Panel counter clockwise to increase the pad pressure. It will move the amp indicator needle more toward the right or the red area.
- Adjust the knob clockwise to decrease the pad pressure, decreasing the amps, which moves the needle to the left.
- Adjust until the amp meter needle averages in the area of the green arrow, indicating proper amps.
- With the machine moving forward, watch the amp meter for the average needle position on the meter.

Pad pressure relates to buffing performance. Too much pad pressure, (operating the machine continuously in the red area), may damage the floor, give uneven results, and / or cause the circuit breaker to blow. Push the button to reset, then, adjust the pad pressure. See Setting / Adjusting Pad pressure. Operating the machine with higher than recommended pad pressure in the red area will also shorten the operating time per battery charge. Maximum operating time can be achieved by adjusting pad pressure throughout the buffing cycle. Too light pad pressure will also give poor results and no contact with the floor. The thickness of a new pad varies during the manufacturing process; however, ALL pads will thin down during use and require periodic adjustment of pad. Floors that have high or low spots will cause the amp meter to enter into the red area occasionally. This is to be expected and will cause no harm to the machine.

## Maintenance

### Daily Maintenance

- Recharge the batteries when indicated by the Battery Meter.
- Check water level.
- Inspect the machine components for wear, loose fasteners, or damage.

- Call authorized service center for repairs.
- Wipe machine down with a damp cloth.
- **NEVER** spray this machine with water or any liquids.

### Weekly Maintenance

- Verify all daily maintenance has been performed.
- Check vac hose for connection to Flexiwall Shield and filter bag. When filter bag is more than one-half (1/2) full, dispose of old bag and replace with a new bag. Inspect flexiwall Shield for dents, cracks and wear. A damaged Flexiwall Shield will greatly reduce the burnishing and dust control capabilities. Dirt build up on the brush should be removed.
- Clean the polyethylene body with an "Armorall" type protector or wipe with a damp cloth.
- Never Spray machine with water.
- Check the Battery Compartment for liquid level on a weekly basis.
- Dispose of liquids according to your local EPA regulations.

### Monthly Maintenance

- Verify all weekly maintenance has been performed.
- Lubricate the wheels / caster with an industrial grade bearing grease. Failure to lubricate wheels / caster will cause the machine to maneuver with difficulty and premature failure of the wheels / caster and bearing.
- Tighten and Lube the drive motor chain.

### Every 60 days

- Verify all monthly maintenance has been performed.
- The motors require very little service. Using compressed air, blow the entire motor. Pay close attention to the carbon brush area. Accumulated dirt will cause excessive carbon brush arcing, reduced brush life, poor machine performance, and possible damage.
- Inspect ALL pad pressure / pivot linkage connections in the pad pressure adjustment and pivot linkage assembly. All linkage must move freely and smoothly to ensure proper machine operation. Lubricate each part as required with small amount of grease such as Lubricate. Failure to lubricate these components may make it impossible to adjust the pad pressure or place machine into all three positions.

### Every 6 Months

- Inspect the carbon brushes for uneven wear and pitting.
- Replace carbon brushes when they have worn to a length of 3/8". Failure to replace carbon brushes will cause poor machine performance and possible motor damage.

Repairs performed by an unauthorized company will void the machine warranty. If you require assistance finding an authorized service center, contact NSS Enterprises.

## TROUBLE SHOOTING

PROBLEM	CAUSE	SOLUTION
Pad Does Not Turn.	Low battery charge.	Recharge batteries.
	Loose battery cable.	Tighten and clamp battery cables.
	Circuit breaker has tripped.	Reduce pad pressure / change pad reset breaker.
Machine Pushes Hard.	Worn motor carbon brushes.	Change carbon brushes.
	Pad load adjustment knob out of adjustment.	Adjust knob until motor will turn on.
	Micro switch not engaged.	Adjust mounting bracket.
Machine Pushes Hard.	Worn wheel or caster.	Grease wheels or replace.
	Motor out of alignment.	Call NSS Service Center for repair.
Uneven Floor Buffing.	Worn pad.	Change pad.
	Motor out of alignment.	Call NSS Service Center for repair.
Machine Vibrates	Pad is torn or not centered.	Center pad.
		Change pad.
		Check pad driver for damage and replace if necessary.
Circuit Breaker Trips.	Pad pressure too heavy.	Reduce pad pressure. Run machine in green area of amp meter.
	Spray buffing.	Do not spray buff.
	Pad rubbing on flexiwall shield.	Realign pad on driver or replace with new pad.
Short Running Time on Battery Charge.	Dead cell in battery.	Check pad size.
		Test batteries and replace.
	Excessive pad pressure.	Reduce pad pressure.
	Incorrect pad.	Use NSS pads or recommended equivalent.
Battery Charger Does Not Turn On	Connection not made between battery charger and machine.	Check Anderson connectors for proper contact on both charger and machine.
	Improper charger sequence.	Read instructions on battery charger or in instruction manual.
	Overly discharged batteries.	Contact NSS Service Center for repair.



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