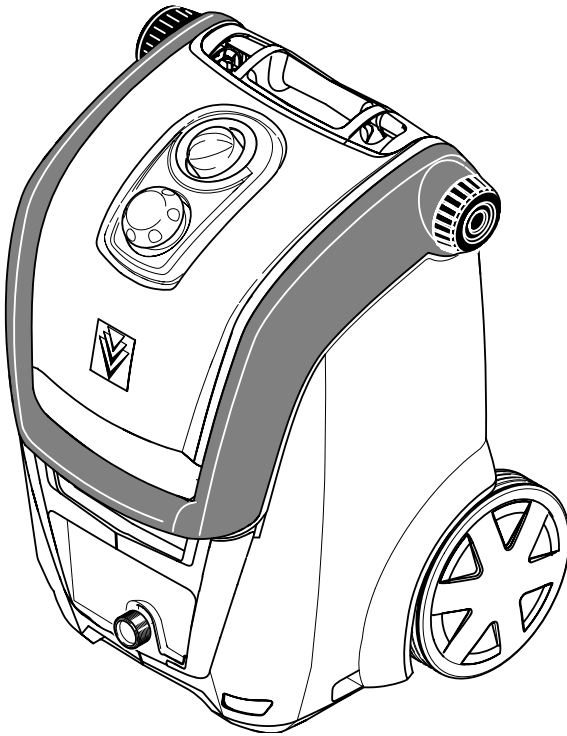


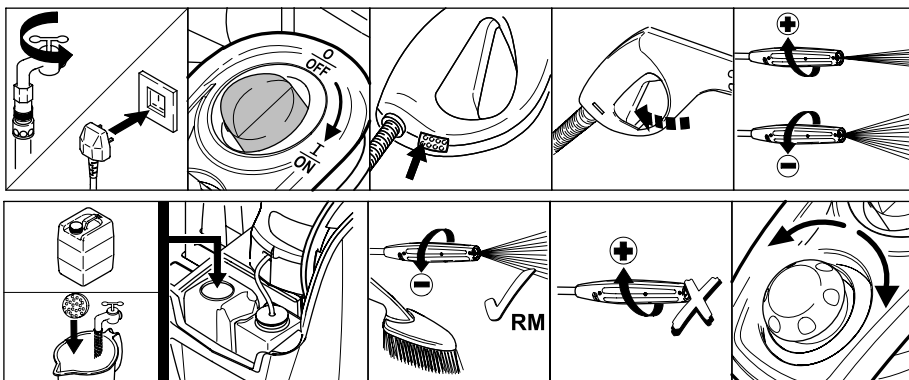
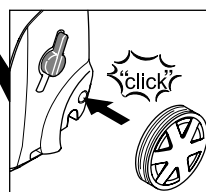
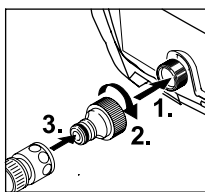
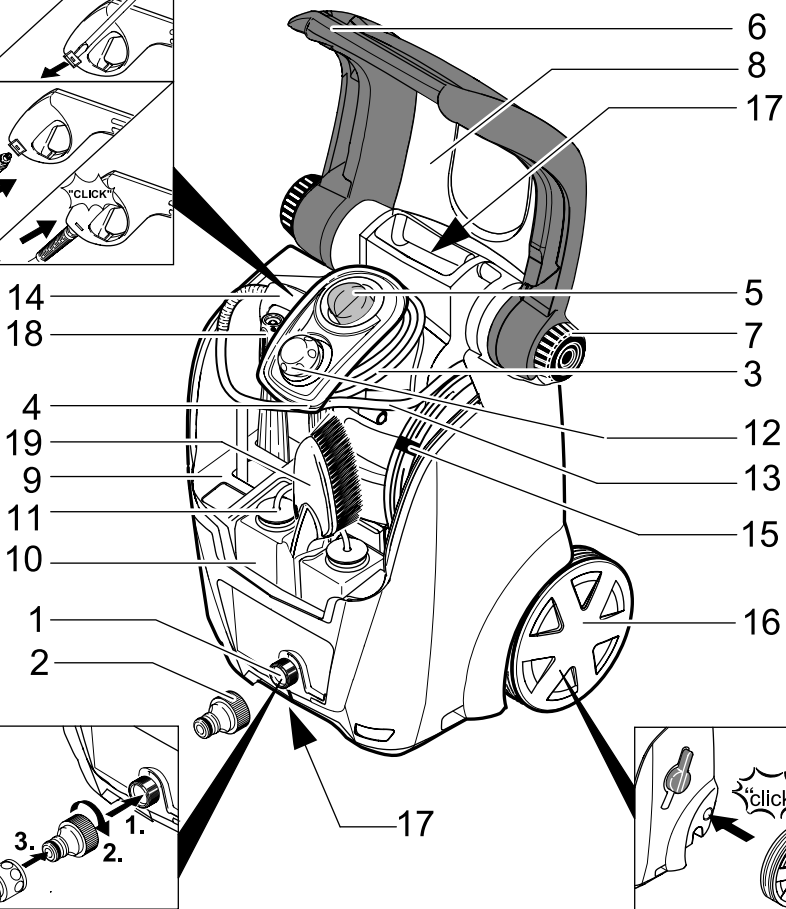
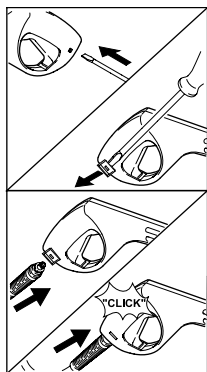
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## Operating Instructions

Before first use of the unit  
read these operating  
instructions and act in  
accordance with them





## Dear Customer,



Please read and comply with these instructions prior to the initial operation of your appliance. Retain these operating instructions for future reference or for subsequent possessors.

## Proper Use

This high-pressure cleaner is designed for domestic use only:

- to clean machines, vehicles, buildings, tools, facades, terraces, garden equipment etc. using a high-pressure water jet (and detergents if required).
- with accessories, replacement parts and detergents approved by Kärcher. Observe the instructions provided with these detergents.

## Environmental protection



The packaging material can be recycled. Please do not place the packaging into the ordinary refuse for disposal, but arrange for the proper recycling.



Old appliances contain valuable materials that can be recycled. Please arrange for the proper recycling of old appliances. Batteries, oil, and similar substances must not enter the environment. Please dispose of your old appliances using appropriate collection systems.

## Warranty

The terms of the guarantee applicable in each country have been published by our respective national distributors. We will fix possible faults on your unit free of charge within the warranty period, insofar as the faults are caused by material defects or defective workmanship. Guarantee claims should be addressed to your dealer or the nearest authorized customer service centre, and supported by documentary evidence of purchase.

## Description of the Appliance

### Definition of abbreviations used:

HP = High pressure

DT = Detergent

When unpacking the product, make sure that no accessories are missing and that none of the package contents have been damaged. If you detect any transport damages please contact your dealer.

The accessories, high pressure hose and gun are included in the delivery and stored within the appliance. The appliance comes fully mounted, only the bearing wheels, the handgun and the coupling element for the water connection need to be assembled.

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- 19 Washing brush

## Safety instructions

### **⚠ Danger**

- Never touch the mains plug and the socket with wet hands.
- The appliance must not be used if the power cord or important parts of the appliance, e.g. safety devices, high-pressure hoses, spray guns, are damaged.
- The appliance may not be used in areas where a risk of explosion is present.
- If the appliance is used in hazardous areas (e.g. filling stations) the corresponding safety provisions must be observed.
- Check the power cord with mains plug for damage before every use. If the power cord is damaged, please arrange immediately for the exchange by an authorized customer service or a skilled electrician.



- High-pressure jets can be dangerous if improperly used. The jet may not be directed at persons, animals, live electrical equipment or at the appliance itself.
- The jet must not be directed at other persons or directed by the user at him/herself to clean clothing or footwear.
- Never use the appliance to clean objects containing hazardous substances (e.g. asbestos).
- Vehicle tyres or tyre valves are susceptible to damage from the high-pressure jet and may burst. The first indication of this is a discolouration of the tyre. Damaged vehicle tyres/tyre valves are highly dangerous. Ensure that a distance of at least 30 cm is observed when cleaning with the jet!
- Never draw in fluids containing solvents or undiluted acids and solvents! This includes petrol, paint thinner and heating oil. The spray mist thus generated is highly inflammable, explosive and poisonous. Do not use acetone, undiluted

acids and solvents as they are aggressive towards the materials from which the appliance is made.

### **⚠ Warning**

- Unsuitable extension cables can be hazardous. Only use extension cables outdoors which have been approved for this purpose and labelled with a sufficient cable cross section:  
1 - 10 m: 1,5 mm<sup>2</sup>  
10 - 30 m: 2,5 mm<sup>2</sup>
- Check the high-pressure hose for damage before every use. Please arrange for the immediate exchange of a damaged high-pressure hose.
- High-pressure hoses, fixtures and couplings are important for the safety of the appliance. Only use high-pressure hoses, fixtures and couplings recommended by the manufacturer.
- Cleaning operations which produce oily waste water, e.g. engine washes, underbody washes, may only be carried out using washing stations equipped with an oil separator.

### **Note**

- The appliance must not be operated by children or persons who have not been instructed accordingly.
- The operator must use the appliance properly. When working with the appliance, he must consider the local conditions and pay due care and attention to other persons, in particular children, who are nearby.
- Observe a distance of at least 30 cm when using the jet to clean painted surfaces to avoid damaging paintwork.
- Wear protective clothing and safety goggles to protect against back spray containing water or dirt.
- Never leave the appliance unattended when it is in operation.
- This appliance was designed to be used with detergents which are supplied or recommended by the manufacturer. The

use of other detergents or chemicals may compromise the safety of the appliance or cause appliance damage.

- *Make sure that the power cord or extension cables are not damaged by running over, pinching, dragging or similar. Protect the power cords from heat, oil, and sharp edges.*
- *The connection between the power cord and extension cable must not lie in water.*
- *All current-conducting parts in the working area must be protected against jet water.*
- *The appliance may only be connected to an electrical supply which has been installed in accordance with IEC 60364.*
- *The appliance may only be connected to alternating current. The voltage must correspond with the type plate on the appliance.*
- *The minimum fuse rating required at the socket outlet is 10 A (slow-blow).*
- *To avoid accidents due to electrical faults we recommend the use of sockets with a line-side current-limiting circuit breaker (max. 30 mA nominal tripping current).*
- *The plug and coupling of the extension cable used must be watertight.*
- *Always fully unroll the extension cable from the cable drum.*

## Safety Devices

Safety devices prevent injury and may not be modified or bypassed.

### Unit switch

The switch prevents unintended starting of the appliance. Stop the appliance during breaks or after operation.

### Safety catch

The safety catch on the handgun prevents the appliance from being switched on unintentionally.

## Commissioning and operation

### Before Commissioning

- Remove the coupling element from the lower packaging unit and mount it.
- Remove both bearing wheels from the lower packaging units.
- Insert the bearing wheels into the axle box and lock them.
- Mount HP hose clip to HP hose.
- Push out the safety clip in the handgun using e.g. a small screwdriver.
- Join HP hose and handgun together.
- Push clip in until it engages and check that it is securely fastened by pulling on the HP hose.

### Water supply

#### Water supply from mains

For connection values, see type plate/technical data.

Observe regulations of water supplier.

- Use a fibre-reinforced hose (not included) with a standard coupling: - Minimum diameter, 1/2 inches (13 mm). - Minimum length, 7.5 m.
- Screw the coupling unit (supplied) to the water connection on the appliance.
- Push the water supply hose onto the coupling unit, then connect it to the tap.

#### ⚠ Caution

*Never operate the high-pressure cleaner when the tap is turned off as dry running will damage the HP pump.*

*If the water supply is not clean, the Kärcher water filter must be used (special accessory - order No. 4.730-059).*

#### Drawing in water from open reservoirs

When fitted with the appropriate accessories, this high-pressure cleaner can draw in surface water, e.g. from water butts or ponds (max. suction height 0.5 m).

- As the standard coupling system is not suitable for use in suction mode, the Kärcher suction hose with integrated fil-

ter should be used instead (special accessory, order no. 4.440-238) and suspended inside the water butt.

- Use the Kärcher water filter to protect the HP pump and accessories (special accessories, order no. 4.730-059). This filter removes dirt from incoming water.
- Appliance ventilation: Switch on the appliance without connection the HP hose and run it until the water discharging from the HP outlet is free of bubbles. Switch off appliance and reconnect HP hose.

### Start up

- Push the appropriate spray lance on to the handgun and fasten it by turning it through 90°.
- Open tap.
- Plug in the main plug.
- Set main switch to "I/ON".
- Press safety catch on the handgun to release it and pull lever.

### High pressure operation

#### **Warning**

*The handgun is subjected to a recoil force when the water jet is discharged. Make sure that you have a firm footing. Hold the handgun and spray lance firmly.*

#### **Spray lance with Variopower nozzle**

- Carrying out the most common cleaning tasks.  
*Operation with detergents is possible with low pressure (-)*

### Operation with detergent

#### **-Note**

*Detergent can only be added when the appliance is being operated in low pressure mode.*

*All washing brushes supplied by Kärcher are designed for use with detergents.*

- Turn Variopower nozzle until lowest pressure setting has been reached (-).

#### **DT metering regulator**

- Turning the regulator to the left: Detergent is added from the left DT tank.
- Turning regulator to the right: Detergent is added from the right DT tank.

#### **DT suction infeed from DT tank**

- During low pressure operation, detergent is automatically sucked in from the filled detergent tank.
- Dosage happens through the DT dosage regulator.

#### **Recommended Cleaning Method**

- 1 Spray a small dose of the detergent on the dry surface, and allow it to react (make sure the detergent does not dry up).
- 2 Wash off the loosened dirt using the high-pressure jet.

### Interrupting operation

- Release the lever on the handgun.
- During breaks, use the safety catch to secure the handgun lever.
- During longer breaks (more than 5 minutes), also turn the appliance off using the ON/OFF switch.
- Store the handgun and spray lance in the accessory mount.

## Finish operation

- If detergent has been added: Suspend detergent suction hose in a container filled with clear water, switch the appliance on for around 1 minute once the spray lance has been removed and rinse until water runs clear.
- Release the lever on the handgun.
- Switch the appliance switch to "0/OFF".
- Turn off tap.
- Press the lever on the handgun to release any remaining pressure in the system.
- Disconnect the appliance from the water supply.
- Detach spray lance from the handgun.
- Briefly switch the appliance on ("I/ON"), press the handgun lever until no further water is discharged (approx. 1 min).
- Switch the appliance switch to "0/OFF".
- Use the safety catch to secure the handgun lever.
- Pull out the mains plug.
- Store the power cord, the HP hose and the accessories on the appliance.

## Transport

### **Caution**

*Please remove the detergent from the DT tank if the application is transported in a reclined position.*

### **Bearing wheel rolling**

- Fold up transport handle
- Lock Transport handle

### **Carry appliance**

- Unlock transport handle.
- Retract transport handle.
- Lift application at carrying handle.

## Storing the Appliance

### **Caution**

*Please remove the detergent from the DT tank if the application is transported in a reclined position.  
Frost can destroy the not completely drained*

*appliance. Store the appliance in a frost resistant room during winter.*

- Store the coiled power cord above the accessories compartment.
- Roll up HP hose and lock it with HP hose clip. Store HP hose in storage compartment.
- Insert hand gun and accessories into the appropriate compartment.
- The washing brush (special accessory) can be stored in the pocket between both DT tanks.

## Special accessories

Special accessories expand the possibilities of using your appliance. Please contact your Kärcher dealer for further information.

## Detergents

To ensure a trouble-free operation of the appliance and to match the individual cleaning task, we recommend our Kärcher detergent and maintenance agents. Please ask for our advice, or request information on the products.

## Maintenance and Care

### **Risk of injury**

*Always switch off the appliance and pull out the mains plug before care and maintenance work.*

## Cleaning

Prior to longer periods of storage, e.g. in the winter:

- Remove filter from suction hose for detergent and clean with running water.
- Pull out filter in water connection using flat-nose pliers and clean with running water.

## Maintenance

The appliance is maintenance-free.

## Spare Parts

Only use original Kärcher spare parts. You will find a list of spare parts at the end of this document.

## Troubleshooting

You can rectify minor faults yourself with the help of the following overview.

If in doubt, please consult the authorized customer service.

### **⚠ Risk of injury**

*Always switch off the appliance and pull out the mains plug before care and maintenance work.*

### **⚠ Warning**

*Repair works may only be performed by the authorized customer service.*

### **Machine does not start**

- Check whether the voltage indicated on the type plate corresponds to the voltage of the socket.
- Check the power cord for damage.

### **Pressure does not build up in the appliance**

- Check the setting at the spray lance.
- Appliance ventilation: Switch on the appliance without connection the HP hose and run it until the water discharging from the HP outlet is free of bubbles. Switch off appliance and reconnect spray lance.
- Clean the filter in the water supply connection: This can be easily removed using flat-nose pliers.
- Check all supply lines to the HP pump for leaks or blockages.

### **Strong pressure fluctuations**

- Clean the high-pressure nozzle: Remove dirt and debris from the nozzle bore with a needle and rinse through with water towards the front.
- Check the volume of incoming water.

### **HP pump leaking**

- Slight leakage from the HP pump is normal. If the leakage increases contact the authorized customer service.

### **No detergent infeed**

- Select the low-pressure setting for the spray lance.
- Clean the filter of the detergent suction hose.
- Check the DT suction hose for kinks.

## Specifications

### **Power connection**

Voltage (1~50 Hz)	240V
Connection output	1,9kW
Mains fuse (slow-blow)	10A
Protective class	I

### **Water connection**

Max. feed temperature	40°C
Min. feed volume	10l/min
Feed pressure,	0,2 - 1,2MPa

### **Performance data**

Working pressure	12MPa
Max. permissible pressure	13MPa
Water flow rate	6,7l/min
Detergent flow rate	0,3l/min
Recoil force of handgun	18N
Hand-arm vibration (ISO 5349)	2,2m/s <sup>2</sup>
Sound pressure level Lpa (EN60704-1)	77dB(A)
Sound power level Lwa (2000/14/EG)	92dB(A)

### **Dimensions**

Depth	420mm
Width	445mm
Height	590 - 930mm
Weight	19,5kg



## CE-Declaration

We hereby declare that the machine described below complies with the relevant basic safety and health requirements of the EU Directives, both in its basic design and construction as well as in the version put into circulation by us. This declaration shall cease to be valid if the machine is modified without our prior approval.


PRODUCT: High-pressure cleaner  
TYPE: 1.636-xxx

Relevant EU Directives:  
98/37/EC  
73/23/EEC (+93/68/EEC)  
89/336/EEC (+91/263/EEC, 92/31/EEC, 93/68/EEC)  
2000/14/EC

Applied harmonized standards:  
DIN EN 60,335 – 1:  
DIN EN 60,335 – 2 – 79  
DIN EN 55014-1:2000 + A1:2001 + A2:2002  
DIN EN 55,014 – 2: 1997 + A1:2001  
DIN EN 61 000 – 3 – 2: 2000  
DIN EN 61 000 – 3 – 3: 1995 + A1: 2001  
Applied conformity evaluation method: Appendix V

Measured sound power level: 91 dB(A)  
Guaranteed sound power level: 92 dB(A)  
Appropriate internal measures have been taken to ensure that the series appliances always comply with the requirements of the currently valid EU Directives and the applied standards.

The undersigned act on behalf and under the power of attorney of the company management.

  
H. Jenner

  
S. Reiser

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## Help-Line

Karcher (UK) Limited operate a help-line allowing customers to discuss any problems experienced with our products.

The help-line operates during normal business hours, if you have difficulty getting through, please understand that there are peak periods during the day when our consultants are unable to take all calls coming in. In these circumstances we would ask that you try to contact us again later in the day.

**The help-line number is 0906 6800632 from 8.30am to 5.00pm Monday - Friday.**  
(calls to this number are charged at 25p per minute)

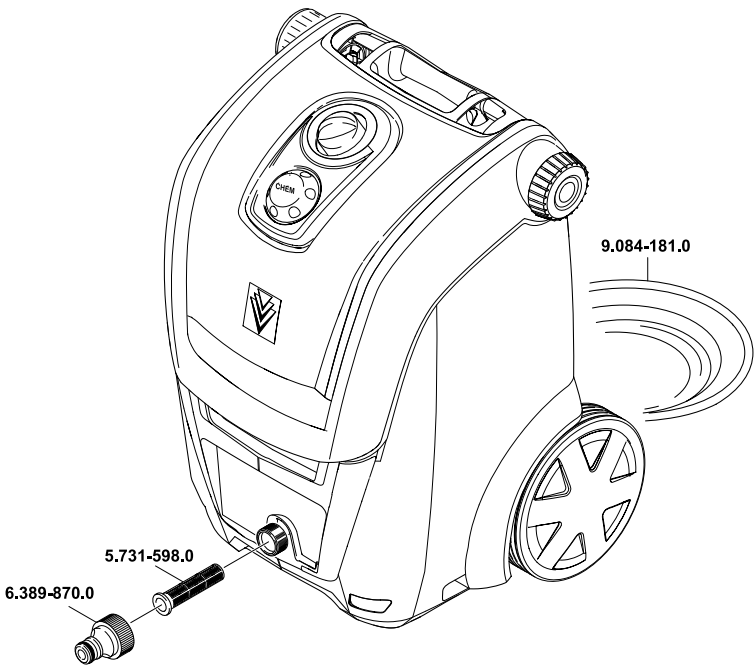
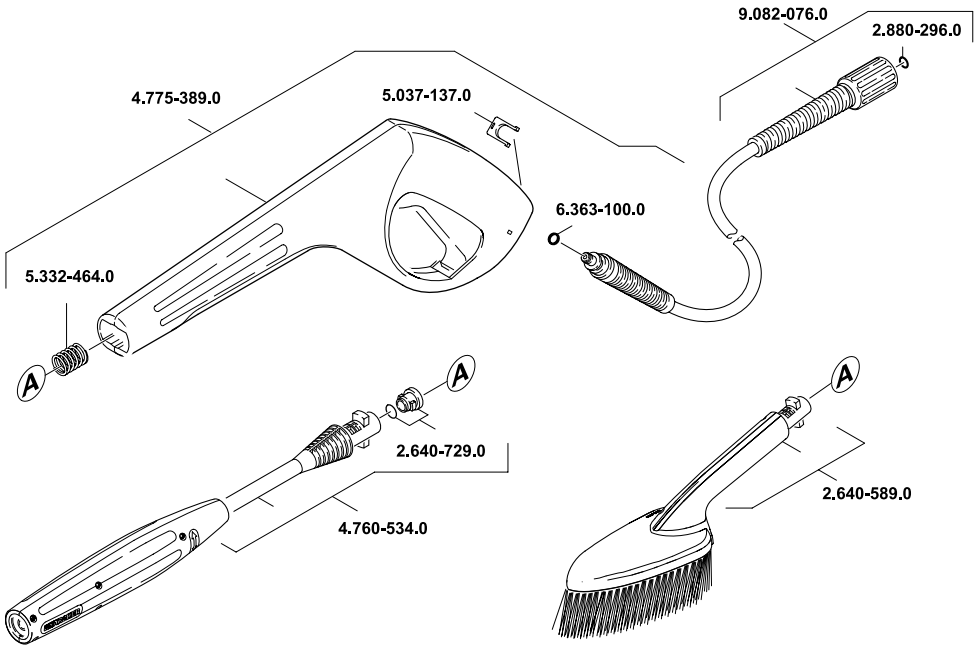
It helps us if you have the model number and data plate details to hand before making your call as there are very many different models of Karcher Pressure Washers in use.

**Alternatively you may write or e-mail to the address below:**

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