

Technical Bulletin No: 3-2014

Title:	Dustcontrol Vacuum Servicing / Handover
Priority	Red – Audit Rating: Non-Conformance - Major
Legislation:	PUWER, HASWA S.6, CoSHH
Brief Description:	During SafeHire audits a number of issues have been found regarding the condition of Dustcontrol vacuum filters and risk of contamination during servicing and use on next hire. Please review current Dustcontrol operator instruction leaflet.
Kit Affected:	Dustcontrol DC1800, DC2800, DC2900, DC3800 / Twin
Images / Description	
<p>Hepa Filter (inner / secondary filter) should be fitted to motor unit / head and then installed, filter is damaged if motor unit is attached with filter in the base unit as per image below. Clean-side of machine should be exactly that, check for dust and contamination after the filter. Do not use air-lines to clean equipment, washing or use of extraction / vacuums to aid service of these machines is recommended.</p>	
<p>Primary / Outer filter – heavily contaminated – reverse pulse cleaning has not been completed during hire / at service. Filter life is in excess of 12 months if serviced correctly Note: Washable filters are available.</p>	
Recommended Actions:	100% checks of filter installation / cleanliness and ensuring reverse pulse cleaning is demonstrated. In addition HAE to issue a product specific Safety Guidance leaflet. Consider use of washable filters to ease dust management during service and issue enough debris bags at point of hire e.g. 1 per day or more on sale or return basis.
Notes:	Please contact: safehire@hae.org.uk if you identify any issues that may identify a manufacturer / model specific issue.
Circulation:	workshops, mobile service and management team

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