# **Vicks® Warm Mist Humidifier**

# Use and Care Manual

### IMPORTANT! READ AND SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

- Relief from dry indoor air
- Whisper quiet
- 2 Comfort settings
- ► Nightlight
- Auto shut-off

If you have any questions about the operation of your Vicks Humidifier, call our toll-free Consumer Service line at 1-800-VAPOR-1-2



Model V745A

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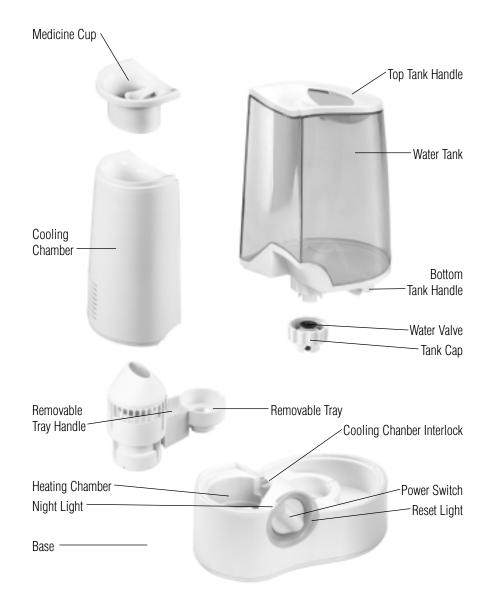
### **Important Safety Instructions**

### READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING HUMIDIFIER, ESPECIALLY THESE BASIC SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:

- 1. Before using the humidifier, extend the cord and inspect for any signs of damage. **Do not** use product if cord has been damaged.
- 2. Always place humidifier on a firm, flat, level surface. Keep cord away from heated surfaces and out of the way, where it cannot be stepped on or tripped over.
- **3.** Do not place the humidifier directly on wood furniture or other surfaces that could be damaged by water. Protect by placing the humidifier on a non-metallic waterproof surface.
- **4.** Place humidifier in an area that is out of the reach of children.
- 5. Do not operate outdoors; this appliance is intended for indoor use.
- Do not remove the Water Tank or Cooling Chamber during operation or within 15 minutes after the humidifier is turned off and unplugged. Serious injury may result.
- 7. Do not touch the steam vapor. Steam can cause burns. Do not operate without the Medicine Cup in place on top the Cooling Chamber.
- 8. Do not operate without water. Turn off unit when tank is empty.
- **9. Do not** add any medications (e.g., **do not** add Kaz Inhalant or Vicks VapoSteam) directly into the Heating Chamber or Water Tank. **Do not** cover, or insert objects into, any openings on the unit.
- **10.** Do not immerse the base in water or other liquid. Do not pour water in the outlet.
- **11.** Humidifier should always be unplugged and emptied when not in operation or while being cleaned. Shut off and unplug humidifier before moving. **Do not** move or tilt humidifier while it is operating. **Plug and unplug unit with dry hands.**
- The humidifier should not be left unattended in a closed room since air could become saturated and leave condensation on walls or furniture. Leave room door partly open.
   Do not aim outlet directly at children, walls or furniture.
- **13.** This product has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other) as a safety feature. This plug will fit into a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully into the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. **Do not** attempt to defeat this safety feature.
- **14.** Caution: To avoid the risk of fire, shock or personal injury, do not use an extension cord.
- **15.** The humidifier requires regular cleaning. Refer to and follow cleaning instructions.
- **16.** When moving or lifting the Tank, use one hand on the Top Tank Handle and the other on the Bottom Tank Handle.

## Vicks<sup>®</sup> Warm Mist Humidifier

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### Using Your Vicks Warm Mist Humidifier

#### **First Time Use**

**Read all instructions before using this appliance.** With proper care and maintenance, the humidifier should be able to provide at least 12 hours of operation for each tank.

Unpack and remove all packing material from the Water Tank and Base. Completely unravel power cord and place unit on a flat, stable surface at least 5 inches away from walls and heat sources. Do not use product if cord has been damaged. Place cord out of the way where it cannot be pulled or stepped on. Follow the directions below to fill and operate the Humidifier.

#### Filling the Water Tank

Always UNPLUG the humidifier before filling.

- 1. Remove the Water Tank from the Base and turn it upside down. Turn the Tank Cap counterclockwise to open.
- 2. Fill the Water Tank with clean, cool, tap water and replace the Tank Cap by firmly turning clockwise. Turn the tank upright and check Tank Cap for leaks. If any water drips from Tank Cap, remove it and re-tighten.
- **3.** Carry Water Tank using one hand on the top handle and one on the bottom of the Tank.
- **4.** Be sure the Removable Water Tray and Cooling Chamber are in place and the Cooling Chamber Interlock is engaged.
- 5. Replace the Water Tank on the Base by aligning the Tank Cap into the Water Tray.

### **Caution:**

**Do not** add any medication or other additives to the water. **Do not** pour any water into the outlet.

### **Operating Instructions**

- 1. Do not operate the humidifier without water in the Water Tank or without the Removable Water Tray, Cooling Chamber and Medicine Cup installed.
- 2. After filling the humidifier, be sure the Power Switch is in the OFF position, then plug the power cord into a 120 volt AC wall outlet. DO NOT PLUG IN THE CORD WITH WET HANDS; ELECTRIC SHOCK COULD RESULT.
- **3.** You can use Kaz Inhalant or Vicks VapoSteam with your Vicks Warm Mist Humidifier. Remove the Medicine Cup from the unit for easier filling and replace on top of the Cooling Chamber. Be careful not to overfill the Medicine Cup or spill anything into the Cooling Chamber.
- **4.** Turn the Switch to either the Hi or Low position. The Night Light will illuminate and the heater will start. It may take several minutes before mist will appear at the outlet.
- **5.** Direct Outlet away from walls and furniture. If condensation forms on walls or windows, or if indoor relative humidity exceeds 50%, turn the Switch to the low setting, open door to room where humidifier is operating, or turn unit off.
- **6.** Turn the humidifier off before removing and refilling the Water Tank.

#### **Reset Procedure**

**NOTE:** When the water tank is empty and the water in the Heating Chamber is almost used up, the Heater will automatically shut off. The Reset Light will illuminate to indicate that the humidifier is out of water. The humidifier will not operate until the water tank is refilled and the humidifier is reset.

- **1.** Turn the Power Switch to the Off position. Unplug the humidifier. Allow the humidifier to fully cool for at least 15 minutes.
- 2. Remove and refill the Water Tank as instructed in the "Filling The Water Tank" section above.
- **3.** After filling the humidifier, plug the power cord into a 120 volt AC wall outlet. **DO NOT PLUG IN THE CORD WITH WET HANDS; ELECTRIC SHOCK COULD RESULT.**
- **4.** The Reset Light should now be off. Some models have a Reset Button. Push the Reset Button on those models to re-engage the heater.
- **5.** Turn the Switch to either the Hi or Low poisition. The Nightlight will illuminate and the heater will start. It might take several minutes before mist will appear at the outlet.

### **Care and Cleaning**

**CAUTION:** Always turn off the power switch and disconnect the power cord from the electrical outlet before cleaning.

Humidifiers provide comfort by adding moisture to dry indoor air. For maximized benefit from your Vicks Warm Mist Humidifier, follow instructions carefully. Please note that this is an electric appliance and requires careful attention when in use.

Tap water may contain pollutants and minerals (scale) that can deposit on the inner surfaces of the Humidifier and adhere to the Heater. Such scale can accelerate the growth of microorganisms and can impair the performance of the Heater.

#### **Daily Maintenance**

- 1. Turn switch to off (0) position and unplug the cord from wall outlet.
- 2. Be sure the unit has cooled for at least 15 minutes, then lift the Water Tank from Base. Remove the Tank Cap and drain any water from the Water Tank. Rinse the Water Tank with lukewarm water after each use. Wipe accessible surfaces of the Water Tank clean with a soft, damp cloth.
- **3.** Remove the Medicine Cup from the Cooling Chamber. Using the Cooling Chamber Interlock, release the Cooling Chamber from the Base. Carefully remove the Cooling Chamber and Removable Water Tray from the base. Wipe the Medicine Cup, Cooling Chamber and Removable Water Tray clean with a soft, damp cloth.
- **4.** Be sure the heater is completely cool and then wipe the Heater and Heating Chamber clean with a soft, damp cloth.
- 5. Do not leave water in the Water Tank or Heating Chamber when unit is not in use as it may result in the build up of mineral deposits and bacteria that can inhibit the output efficiency of the humidifier. Please note that if water remains in the Water Tank for more than a day or two, bacterial growth is possible.
- 6. Do not immerse the Base in water. For storage, wipe dry with a soft, clean cloth.
- **7.** Replace Removable Water Tray, Cooling Chamber, Medicine Cup then the Tank. Humidifier is now ready for use.

#### Weekly Maintenance

#### Removing Scale

- 1. Remove the Water Tank and empty any remaining water from the Water Tank
- 2. Turn switch to the OFF (0) position and unplug the cord from wall outlet.
- **3.** Remove the Medicine Cup from the Cooling Chamber. Using the Cooling Chamber Interlock, release the Cooling Chamber from the Base. Carefully remove the Cooling Chamber and Removable Water Tray from the base.
- **4.** Soak the Removable Water Tray in a solution of white vinegar and water for 20 minutes. Rinse thoroughly and then wipe dry with a soft clean cloth.
- **5.** Fill the Heating Chamber with undiluted white vinegar. Let stand for 20 minutes. Dampen soft, clean cloth or sponge with undiluted white vinegar and wipe out Heating Chamber to remove scale. **Do not** use soap, detergents or abrasive cleaners.
- **6.** Rinse the Heating Chamber using clean warm water, being careful not to submerge the base in water.
- 7. The Water Tray, Medicine Cup, and Cooling Chamber are top shelf dishwasher safe.

#### **Disinfecting the Removable Water Tray and Tank**

- 1. Fill tank with 1 teaspoon of household bleach in 1 gallon of water. Let stand twenty (20) minutes, shaking vigorously every few minutes, drain and rinse with clean water until the bleach smell is gone. Dry with a clean cloth or paper towel.
- 2. Wipe the Removable Water Tray with a soft cloth dampened in the bleach and water solution. Rinse the Removable Water Tray thoroughly before proceeding. The Water Tray may also be disinfected using the dishwasher on its top shelf.
- **3.** Wipe all exterior surfaces of the Base with a soft, dry cloth. Do not immerse the Base in water or use water to clean the base. An electric shock may result or the humidifier may be damaged.

#### **End of Season Maintenance**

- 1. Follow above weekly cleaning procedure at the end of the humidification season, or when the humidifier will not be used for several days, being sure to dry all parts. Allow the Water Tank to air dry before storing. **Do not** store with water inside.
- 2. Leave Tank Cap partially loosened during storage to prevent Tank Cap and Gasket from sticking together. This will prolong the life of the gasket.
- **3.** Store in a cool dry location.

**Troubleshooting** If your Humidifier is not working properly, refer to the following:

<ul> <li>Problem</li> <li>Power Switch is set to "On" and Power Indicator is off</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Possible Cause</li><li>Unit not plugged in</li><li>No power at outlet</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Solution</li> <li>Plug unit in</li> <li>Check circuits, fuses, test outlet.</li> </ul>
Little or no mist is produced	<ul> <li>Unit is not level</li> <li>Mineral deposits on Heater or Removable Water Tray</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fill Water Tank.</li> <li>Place on a level surface.</li> <li>Clean Heater and Removable Water Tray</li> <li>Rinse thoroughly with clean water.</li> </ul>
Reset Light illuminated	<ul><li>Water Tank is empty</li><li>Unit not reset after refill</li></ul>	<ul><li>Refill Water Tank</li><li>Follow Reset Procedure</li></ul>
<ul> <li>Water overflows from Reservoir</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Tank may be leaking</li><li>Tank Cap is not tight</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Check the Tank for leaks and replace if necessary</li> <li>Tighten Tank Cap</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Condensation forms around humidifier or windows</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Mist Intensity is set too high for room size or pre-existing humidity level.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Decrease mist output to low</li> <li>or open door to the room.</li> </ul>

NOTE: Failure to keep this unit clean from mineral deposits normally contained in any water supply will affect the efficiency of operation of this unit. Customer failure to follow these instructions may void the warranty.

### **Limited Warranty**

This Vicks Warm Mist Humidifier (Model V745A) is warranted against defective material or workmanship for a period of one year from the date of purchase. Any defective part will be, at the discretion of Kaz, Incorporated, repaired or replaced at no charge if the appliance has not been tampered with and has been used according to these printed directions. Retain receipt to prove warranty. This Warranty gives you specific legal rights as well as other rights that vary from state to state.

If you experience unsatisfactory operation, first refer to the Trouble-Shooting section herein to determine if the problem is due to care or cleaning. Follow Care and Cleaning instructions.

If you have any questions or comments, call the Kaz Consumer Service Department at 1-800-VAPOR-1-2 or, e-mail consumerservice@kaz.com or, write to Kaz, Consumer Service Department, P.O. Box 544, Hudson, NY 12534, explaining just how the product is operating. Specify model number. Our Consumer Service Representative will advise you how to correct the problem yourself, or will ask you to return the product for repair or replacement.