

# ViroVac™

Smoke Plume Evacuation System

## Operator's Manual



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ELECTRICAL SHOCK, FIRE AND MECHANICAL HAZARDS ONLY  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH UL 60601-1 AND CAN/CSA C22.2 NO. 601.1

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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# System Description

## Section 1.0

### 1.1 Introduction

BUFFALO FILTER® ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation Systems are designed to remove smoke and noxious odors produced by surgical smoke during laser, electrosurgical, ultrasonic, argon, plasma and mechanical instrument procedures.

The ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation Systems have been designed with a high suction, high flow rate centrifugal action pump. The ultra-quiet motor is used to draw the surgical smoke from the surgical site through the vacuum tubing and into the ViroSafe filter where the surgical smoke is processed by a series of filters. A single disposable filter is used to simplify the installation and removal during filter changes. The filter is completely enclosed to protect the healthcare personnel from potential contamination during filter changes. One Buffalo Filter ViroSafe filter contains four different stages within to capture the smoke plume.

The first stage filtration is a prefilter whose function is to trap and remove gross particulate and casual fluid.

The second stage filtration is ULPA grade (Ultra Low Penetration Air) filter whose high-tech patented (U.S. Patent #5874052) design captures particulates and micro-organisms from .1 to .2 microns at an efficiency of 99.999%.

The third stage filtration uses the highest grade virgin activated carbon, especially designed for Buffalo Filter for the removal and adsorption of odors and toxic gases produced by burning tissues. These harmful gases may constitute a health hazard to healthcare professionals who are subjected to prolonged exposure. The activated carbon used in the ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation Systems preferentially removes toxic organic gases rather than water vapor and provides optimal odor removal.

The fourth stage filtration is an expanded foam used to trap activated carbon fines from migrating out of the filter.

The electronic controls on the face panel of the ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System has been designed “user friendly” and facilitate unit set up and operation. Please refer to Section 2.0 for Operating Instructions.

### 1.2 Inspection

The ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuator has been thoroughly tested and inspected before shipment from the factory. Please check the unit before using it to insure that no damage has occurred in transit. If damage is evident, please contact BUFFALO FILTER Customer Service at 1-800-343-2324 (US Only) or (716) 835-7000 (International)

In addition, please compare the accessories you receive with the standard accessories list below. If an item is missing, please notify BUFFALO FILTER Customer Service.

Standard Accessories:

- Operator's Manual
- Power Cord
- Pneumatic Footswitch

Please contact BUFFALO FILTER Customer Service to purchase the following accessories:

- Replacement Filters
- Remote Switch Activator
- Hoses, Tubing, Laparoscopic Kits, Adapters, Wands & Other Accessories

### 1.3 Operational Information

The operational information contained in this section is intended for the customer review of regulatory issues. The information pertains to the use of the products both domestically and internationally:

1. The BUFFALO FILTER ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System(s) complies with IEC60601.1 electrical specifications in the following systems:  
*100/120 VAC 50/60 Hz, 220/240 VAC 50/60 Hz*
2. Type of protection against electrical shock (UL 60601-1, Clause 5.1): Class I
3. Degree of protection against electric shock (UL 60601-1, Clause 5.2); Type CF Applied Part
4. Degree of protection against ingress of water (UL 60601-1, Clause 5.3): IPX1
5. Method of sterilization or disinfection recommended by BUFFALO FILTER (UL 60601-1, Clause 5.4):  
*Unplug Unit. Wipe unit with a damp cloth containing mild disinfectant solution or soapy water. Wipe dry with a clean cloth. Do not steam sterilize.*
6. Degree of safety of application in the presence of flammable anesthetic mixture with air or with oxygen or nitrous oxide (UL 60601-1, Clause 5.5): Not Suitable
7. Mode of operation (UL 60601-1, Clause 5.6): Continuous
8. Upon request, BUFFALO FILTER will provide the following:  
*Service and Repair Instructions, including Circuit Diagrams and Parts List*
9. The fuses on the circuit board are to be serviced by an authorized BUFFALO FILTER technician as follows:  
*100/120 VAC, 50/60 Hz use 10 Amp 250 Volt Fuse (Slo-Blo)*  
*220/240 VAC, 50/60 Hz use 8 Amp 250 Volt Fuse (Slo-blo)*

10. This equipment needs special precautions regarding ElectroMagnetic Compatibility and needs to be installed according to EMC information found in this manual.
11. This equipment utilizes mobile RF communications equipment that can affect medical electrical equipment.
12. This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at their expense.
13. This equipment operates in the following radio frequency specifications:

RX modulation: Pulse-width coded, AM 100% modulation

TX Frequencies: Manchester encoded,

$$A = fc \pm 423.75\text{kHz}, B = fc \pm 484.29\text{kHz}$$

Low bit: transition A to B

High bit: transition B to A

The ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System(s) and all filters are not intended for contact with patients.

## 1.4 Cautions and Warnings

Please note that all Cautions and Warnings should be read and understood before any use of this equipment.



Attention, consult Accompanying Documents (Manual)

### 1.4.1 WARNINGS:

- Read this manual thoroughly, and be familiar with its contents prior to using this equipment.
- Test this equipment prior to a surgical procedure. This product was thoroughly tested at the factory before shipment.
- Disconnect the unit from the electrical outlet prior to inspecting system components.
- The ViroVac™ system is only intended and suitable for the applications that are mentioned in the operating instructions.

- **The smoke evacuator produces a strong vacuum. Adjust the airflow and the position of the inlet end of the wand or tubing to prevent patient injury and to prevent suction of surgical materials and surgical specimens.**
- **If the smoke evacuator is activated while the airflow is set to a high speed, it may produce a sudden, strong suction action. Check the airflow setting before activating the smoke evacuator to prevent patient injury and to prevent suction of surgical materials and surgical specimens.**
- **To maximize patient safety, the tubing or wand should not come into direct contact with tissue. Otherwise, patient injury may result.**
- The BUFFALO FILTER ViroSafe filters and single-use accessories are completely disposable. Please dispose of according to your local codes or regulations and hospital policy. These filters may be disposed of or incinerated, whichever is appropriate for your institution.
- Care should be taken to route the power cord, foot pedal, smoke evacuation tubing, and remote switch activator cable as to not cause a tripping hazard or crimping of cords.
- Do not operate this device in the presence of flammable or explosive gases.
- This equipment is intended for use by healthcare professionals only. This equipment may cause radio interference or may disrupt the operation of nearby equipment. It may be necessary to take mitigation measures, such as re-orienting or relocating the ViroVac™ or shielding the location.
- The use of ACCESSORIES other than those specified by BUFFALO FILTER, or sold by BUFFALO FILTER as replacement parts for internal components, may result in increased emissions or decreased immunity of the ViroVac™.
- This equipment should not be used adjacent to or stacked with other equipment and that if adjacent or stacked use is necessary, the ViroVac™ should be observed to verify normal operation in the configuration in which it will be used.
- Refer routine servicing to qualified biomedical technical personnel.
- Changes or modifications not expressly approved by Buffalo Filter could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

The warranty on this product is void if any of these warnings are disregarded.

## 1.4.2 CAUTIONS:

- Federal law (United States of America) restricts this device to be used by, or on the order of a physician.
- Do not block either the tubing or the filter. If either becomes occluded or significantly restricted, the motor/blower may overheat and cause the unit to fail.
- Using any other filter or accessory not supplied by BUFFALO FILTER may cause damage and/or cause the system to be inoperable and may void the warranty.
- Care must be exercised in the installation of hoses, adapters and suction canisters. Failure to follow the procedures outlined in this manual may result in overheating of the motor and may void the unit warranty.
- This device is not intended for evacuation of fluid. If fluid is expected to be aspirated to the ViroSafe Filter, fluid collection devices must be installed with the vacuum hose assembly. Failure to install a fluid collection device could cause filter blockage and electrical damage.
- The ViroSafe Filter should be changed according to the life of the filter. The ViroSafe Filter, used with the ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System(s), should not be used for more the time specified for each filter. Failure to change the filter may result in decreased efficiency and contamination of the electric motor, vacuum pump, and sound absorbing media within the unit.
- Do not block either the tubing or the filter during operation. An occlusion or significant restriction may cause the motor to overheat and the unit to stop working.
- The installation of this equipment must be on a flat, level surface with all four (4) feet in contact with that surface at all times. Failure to properly install the unit may cause reduced performance, damage and/or cause the system to be inoperable and may void the warranty.
- The ambient temperature during operation must be kept between 50°F to 104°F (10°C to 40°C)
- The relative humidity during operation must be kept between 10% to 75%.
- An atmospheric pressure range of 700 hPa to 1,060 hPa.
- Storage environmental ambient temperature 14°F to 140°F (-10°C to 60°C).
- Storage environmental relative humidity 10% to 75%.

**There are no user serviceable components in the ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System(s). Refer service to qualified service personnel.**

**Use only with the power cord provided and always plug into a grounded outlet.**

SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION/MEANING
	<p>DANGER HIGH VOLTAGE</p> <p>CAUTION - ELECTRICAL SHOCK HAZARD. DO NOT REMOVE COVER. REFER SERVICING TO QUALIFIED SERVICE PERSONNEL.</p>
	<p>ATTENTION, CONSULT, ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS (MANUAL)</p>
	<p>TYPE OF APPLIED PART</p>
<p><b>IPX1</b></p>	<p>PROTECTION AGAINST INGRESS OF WATER AS DETAILED IN IEC 60529</p>
	<p>ALTERNATING CURRENT</p>
	<p>PROTECTIVE EARTH (GROUND)</p>
	<p>EQUIPOTENTIALITY</p>
	<p>DENOTES THE DATE THE EQUIPMENT WAS MANUFACTURED</p>
	<p>DENOTES THE MANUFACTURER OF THE DEVICE</p>
	<p>NON-IONIZING RADIATION</p>

# Operating Instructions

## Section 2.0

### 2.1 System Controls

The electronic system controls on the ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System(s) are easy to understand and simple to use. The membrane control panel contains the suction on/off switch, suction power adjustment, filter life indicator, and service indicator light. See Figure 1.

Note: Please be sure to read all instructions before installing accessories or operating this equipment. Failure to do so may result in damage to the unit and/or personal injury.

- **SUCTION ON & Standby**

There is one ON/OFF button on the ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System(s). The suction ON switch on the electronic membrane control panel is located in the upper right hand corner of the membrane panel. To power up the machine, connect the supplied power cord to a grounded outlet and the appliance inlet on the back of the smoke evacuation system. Once power has been applied, the yellow standby LED will illuminate on the keypad. Press the ON/OFF button on the membrane panel to illuminate the “fan running” green LED indicating active suction. Place the unit in “standby” by pressing the suction ON membrane switch to illuminate yellow STANDBY LED. Turn the system main power off by unplugging the power cord from the appliance inlet on the unit or the receptacle in the wall.

- **SUCTION CONTROL  
(Membrane Control Panel)**

The amount of suction may be adjusted by pressing the suction control button. Each time the suction control button is depressed, the motor speed is increased. Once the suction has reached the maximum level, depressing the button again will return suction level to lowest setting. The suction control should be set at the lowest practical setting to completely remove the surgical smoke from the operative site. Each time the arrow button is pressed, the suction will change to a different flow setting (low / medium / high).

- **FOOTSWITCH / REMOTE SWITCH ACTIVATOR  
(Membrane Control Panel)**

The ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System also comes equipped with a pneumatic footswitch.

A footswitch or a Remote Switch activator may be added to any system by simply plugging in a BUFFALO FILTER activation accessory into the appropriate jack on the front of the unit. When the footswitch is plugged in, the unit may be turned on or off by depressing the footswitch pedal once for each operation. For directions on using the Remote Switch Activator, please see instructions that accompany that product.

- **FILTER LIFE INDICATOR**  
(Membrane Control Panel)

The filter life indicator on the membrane control panel provides a visual indication of the status of the life of the filter in use. The filter life indicator for the ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System will automatically adjust according to the flow setting selected.

Low Flow Setting = 35 hours of filter life
Medium Flow Setting = 24 hours of filter life
High Flow Setting = 18 hours of filter life

The ViroVac™ Filter Life Indicator is factory set. All filter life timing is automatic.

**Reading the Filter Life Indicator:**

Install an unused ViroSafe Filter into the system per the installation instructions contained in this operator's manual. When the system is turned on, the filter life indicator will light up the leftmost GREEN LED, indicating 100% filter life. The indicator will progress through subsequent GREEN LEDs, to an AMBER LED as time elapses and begin flashing RED to indicate that the filter has expended its useful life and requires replacement.

**When the maximum filter life is consumed and the smoke evacuator is not powered off for greater than six (6) hours or the main power is disconnected – a new filter is required to activate the smoke evacuator and make operational.**

- **FUSES**  
(circuit board)

Two 10 AMP fuses (8 AMP for 220/240 ViroVac™ systems) are located on the circuit board within the housing of the system. It electrically protects both the system and the operator from damage or injury. If the system is overheated or if there is an electrical surge in the electrical system, fuses will break and the system will not operate.

**When the Service light illuminates, please contact BUFFALO FILTER Customer Service for system service instructions.**

## 2.2 ViroSafe Filter Instructions

<i>BUFFALO FILTER P/N</i>	<i>VV120 &amp; VV220</i>
CONFIGURATION	Portable or tabletop
ViroSafe® Filters – multi-port filter	4-Stage filtration in one casing (pre-filter, ULPA, Carbon, post-filter)
Filter(s)	ULPA
Particle size, µm	0.1 to 0.2 microns at 99.999% efficiency
Filter life	Automatic Factory Set Filter Sensor
Filter life indicator	Timed replacement
ViroSafe Filter P/N	VS353

**Note:** Before installing or removing any filter, be sure that the system is turned off.

### Filter Installation Instructions:

The installation of the ViroSafe Filter into the BUFFALO FILTER ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System(s) is quick and simple.

1. Remove the ViroSafe Filter from the shipping box and discard any protective wrapping. Examine all filters for damage during shipping and storage. Do not install any filter with visible signs of structural damage.
2. Insert the ViroSafe Filter into the filter receptacle. Be sure that the filter is seated completely against the bottom of the filter chamber and clip is fully engaged.

**WARNING:** This device is not intended for evacuation of fluid. If fluid is expected to be aspirated using the ViroSafe Filter or the BUFFALO FILTER ViroVac™ system, fluid collection devices must be installed with the vacuum hose assembly. Failure to install a fluid collection device may cause filter blockage and/or electrical damage.

### Filter Removal Instructions:

1. After the ViroSafe Filter has been exhausted and requires changing, turn the smoke evacuation system off and disconnect any accessory tubing attached to the filter.
2. Depress the filter tab and pull the ViroSafe Filter from the smoke evacuation system and dispose of in accordance with hospital policy. The ViroSafe Filter may be disposed of or incinerated.
3. Clean the unit with appropriate germicide prior to re-use. Follow the indicated instructions for maintenance and installation of a new ViroSafe Filter.

**CAUTION:** Using any other filter or accessory not supplied by BUFFALO FILTER may cause damage to the system and/or cause the system to be inoperable and may void the warranty.

**WARNING:** The ViroSafe Filter should be changed when the Filter Life Indicator shows red flashing LED (replace). Failure to change this filter may result in decreased efficiency and contamination of the electric motor, vacuum pump, and sound absorbing media within the system, or non-operation of smoke evacuator.

## 2.3 Set-Up and Operation

The operation of the ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System is as follows:

1. Install the ViroSafe Filter.
2. Attach unit power cord to the receptacle on the rear of the system. Plug the pronged power cord into an appropriate grounded power outlet. Route power cord in such a way as to minimize potential trip hazard by users or patients or pinch hazard that could cause electric shock.
3. Optional: Attach either Remote Switch Activator or Footswitch plug into appropriate jack on rear or side of machine. Route footswitch or RSA cord in such a way as to minimize potential trip hazard by users or patients or pinch hazard that could result in unreliable operation.
4. Ensure that the evacuation tubing is fully seated in the inlet of the filter. Route tubing in such a way as to minimize potential trip hazard by users or patients.
5. Activate the power unit by:
  - a. Pressing the suction ON/OFF switch on the membrane panel,
  - b. Depressing and releasing the footswitch (if connected), or
  - c. Activating either CUT or COAG on the Electrosurgical Pencil (if Remote Activator is connected).
6. Adjust the suction level to the desired setting by pressing the UP arrow button while the unit is activated. Noise created by the smoke excavation power unit may be minimized by selecting the lowest vacuum setting that effectively clears the operative field of surgical smoke.
7. Deactivate the unit by:
  - a. Pressing the suction ON/OFF switch on the membrane panel,
  - b. Depressing and releasing the footswitch (if connected), or
  - c. Releasing either the CUT or COAG button on the Electrosurgical Pencil (If Remote Activator is connected).
8. Replace the ViroSafe Filter when the Filter Life Remaining Scale FLASHES RED (0% Life Remaining). Failure to change the filter will affect the performance of the system.

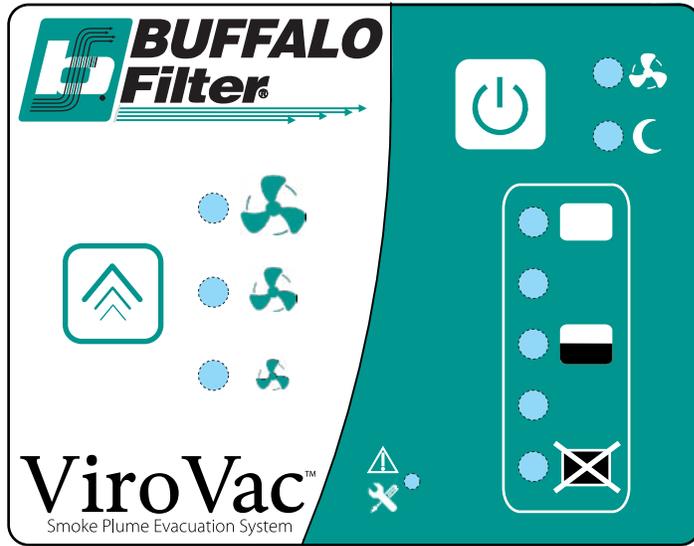


Figure 1  
Unit Control Panel

## 2.4 Performance References\*

<i>PERFORMANCE</i>		
<b>Model Number</b>		<b>ViroVac™</b>
<b>Maximum Flow Setting (cfm-U.S)</b>		
Standard Hose I.D.		
	7/8"	
	3/8"	
	1/4"	
<b>Maximum Flow Setting (lpm-metric)</b>		
Standard Hose I.D.		
	22mm	
	9.5mm	
	6.4mm	
<b>Dimension</b>	<b>H x W x D</b>	<b>in</b>
		6 x 11 x 15.5
		cm
		15.2 x 27.9 x 39.4
<b>Weight</b>		<b>lbs (kg.)</b>
<b>Noise Level, dBA</b>		<b>MAXIMUM</b>
<b>Footswitch Pneumatic</b>		Standard
<b>Remote Control Activation</b>		YES (optional)
<b>Safety Features</b>		UL Classified
		CE Marked
		Fuse Protection
<b>Display</b>		LED
		Filter Status
		Flow Rate
		Service Required
<b>Voltage Available</b>		100/120 VAC, 220/240 VAC
<b>Frequency, auto sensed</b>		50/60 Hz
<b>Variable Flow Control</b>		YES
<b>Motor</b>		<b>W</b>
		1000 ±10%
<b>Motor Static Suction</b>		<b>kPa</b>
<b>(6.5 mm orifice)</b>		25.69

\*For reference purposes only

\*\*using a new 7/8"x6' hose

## 2.5 Electromagnetic Compatibility Information per IEC60601-1-2

**Table 1**

Guidance and manufacturer's declaration - electromagnetic emissions		
<p>The Smoke Evacuation System model ViroVac™ is intended for use in the electromagnetic environment specified below. The customer or the user of the Advantage Light should assure that it is used in such an environment.</p>		
Emissions test	Compliance	Electromagnetic environment – guidance
RF emissions CISPR 11	Group 1	The ViroVac™ uses RF energy only for its internal function. Therefore, its RF emissions are very low and are not likely to cause any interference in nearby electronic equipment.
RF Emissions CISPR 11	Class A	The Model ViroVac™ is suitable for use in all establishments, other than domestic establishments and those directly connected to the public low-voltage power supply network that supplies buildings used for domestic purposes.
Harmonic emissions IEC 61000-3-2	Class A,	Not Applicable
Voltage fluctuations/flicker emissions IEC 61000-3-3	Class A	Not Applicable

**Table 2**

Guidance and manufacturer's declaration – electromagnetic immunity			
The Model ViroVac™ is intended for use in the electromagnetic environment specified below. The customer or the end user of the Model ViroVac™ should assure that it is used in such an environment.			
Immunity test	IEC 60601 Test level	Compliance level	Electromagnetic environment - guidance
Electromagnetic discharge (ESD)  IEC 61000-4-2	<u>+6</u> kV contact  <u>+8</u> kV air	<u>+6</u> kV contact  <u>+8</u> kV air	Floors should be wood, concrete or ceramic tile. If floors are covered with synthetic material, the relative humidity should be at least 30 %.
Electrical fast transient/burst  IEC 61000-4-4	<u>+2</u> kV for power supply lines  <u>+1</u> kV for input/output lines	<u>+2</u> kV for power supply lines  <u>+1</u> kV for input/output lines	Mains power quality should be that of a typical commercial or hospital environment.
Surge  IEC 61000-4-5	<u>+1</u> kV differential mode  <u>+2</u> kV common mode	<u>+1</u> kV differential mode  <u>+2</u> kV common mode	Mains power quality should be that of a typical commercial or hospital environment.
Voltage dips, short interruptions and voltage variations on power supply input lines  IEC 61000-4-11	<5 % $U_T$ (>95 % dip in $U_T$ ) for 0.5 cycle  40 % $U_T$ (60 % dip in $U_T$ ) for 5 cycles  70 % $U_T$ (30 % dip in $U_T$ )	<5 % $U_T$ (>95 % dip in $U_T$ ) for 0.5 cycle  40 % $U_T$ (60 % dip in $U_T$ ) for 5 cycles  70 % $U_T$ (30 % dip in $U_T$ )	Mains power quality should be that of a typical commercial or hospital environment. If the user of the Model ViroVac™ requires continued operation during power mains interruptions, it is recommended that the Model ViroVac™ be powered from an uninterruptible power supply or a battery.

	for 25 cycles  <5 % $U_T$ (>95 % dip in $U_T$ )  for 5 sec	for 25 cycles  <5 % $U_T$ (>95 % dip in $U_T$ )  for 5 sec	
Power frequency (50/60 Hz) magnetic field IEC 61000-4-8	3 A/m	3 A/m	Power frequency magnetic fields should be at levels characteristic of a typical location in a typical commercial or hospital environment.

**Table 6**

Guidance and manufacturer's declaration - electromagnetic emissions			
The Model ViroVac™ is intended for use in the electromagnetic environment specified below. The customer or the user of the Model ViroVac™ should assure that it is used in such an environment.			
Immunity test	IEC 60601 Test level	Compliance Level	Electromagnetic environment - guidance
Radiated RF	3 V/m		Portable and mobile RF communications equipment should be used no closer to any part of the Model EVL including cables, than the Recommended separation distance calculated from the equation applicable to the frequency of the transmitter.  $d = 1.7 \sqrt{P}$ 80 MHz to 800 MHz
IEC 61000-4-3	80MHz to 2.5 GHz	3 V/m	$d = 2.3 \sqrt{P}$ 800 MHz to 2.5 GHz
Conducted RF	150 kHz to 80 MHz	3 Vrms	$d = [3.5/V1] \sqrt{P}$
IEC 61000-4-6			Where P is the maximum output power rating of the transmitter in watts (W) according to the transmitter manufacturer and d is the recommended separation distance in meters (m).  Field strengths from fixed RF transmitters, as determined by an electromagnetic site survey, should be less than the compliance level in each frequency range.  Interference may occur in the vicinity of equipment marked with the following symbol: 
NOTE 1 At 80 MHz and 800 MHz, the higher frequency range applies.			
NOTE 2 These guidelines may not apply in all situations. Electromagnetic propagation is affected by absorption and reflection from structures, objects and people.			
<p><sup>a</sup> Field strengths from fixed transmitters, such as base stations for radio (cellular/cordless) telephones and land mobile radios, amateur radio, AM and FM radio broadcast and TV broadcast cannot be predicted theoretically with accuracy. To assess the electromagnetic environment due to fixed RF transmitters, an electromagnetic site survey should be considered. If the measured field strength in the location in which the Model EVL is used exceeds the applicable RF compliance level above, the Model ViroVac™ should be observed to verify normal operation. If abnormal performance is observed, additional measures may be necessary, such as reorienting or relocating the Model ViroVac™</p> <p><sup>b</sup> Over the frequency range 150 kHz to 80 MHz, field strengths should be less than 3 V/m.</p>			

**Table 4**

Recommended separation distance between Portable and mobile RF communications equipment and the model @ 3Vrms			
The model ViroVac™ is intended for use in an electromagnetic environment in which radiated RF disturbances are controlled. The customer or the user of the Model ViroVac™ can help prevent electromagnetic interference by maintaining a minimum distance between portable and mobile RF communications equipment (transmitters) and the Model ViroVac™ as recommended below, according to the maximum output power of the communications equipment.			
Rated maximum output power of transmitter W	Separation distance according to frequency of transmitter m		
	150 kHz to 80 MHz $d = \left[ \frac{3.5}{v_1} \right] \sqrt{P}$	80 MHz to 800 MHz $d = \left[ \frac{3.5}{E_1} \right] \sqrt{P}$	800 MHz to 2.5 GHz $d = \left[ \frac{7}{E_1} \right] \sqrt{P}$
0.01	0.12	0.12	0.23
0.1	0.34	0.34	0.74
1	1.7	1.7	2.3
10	3.7	3.7	7.4
100	11.7	11.7	23.3
For transmitters rated at a maximum output power not listed above, the recommended separation distance d in meters (m) can be estimated using the equation applicable to the frequency of the transmitter, where P is the maximum output rating of the transmitter in watts (W) according to the transmitter manufacturer.			
Note 1: At 80 MHz and 800 MHz, the separation distance for the higher frequency range applies.			
Note 1: These guidelines may not apply in all situations. Electromagnetic propagation is affected by absorption and reflection from structures, objects and people.			

# Maintenance

## Section 3.0

### 3.1 General Maintenance Information

This section contains information for ordinary upkeep of the BUFFALO FILTER ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System. While the system has been designed and manufactured to high industry standards, it is recommended that periodic inspection and performance testing be performed by a qualified Biomedical Technician to ensure continued safe and effective operation.

### 3.2 Cleaning

Unplug Unit. Wipe unit with a damp cloth containing mild disinfectant solution or soapy water. Wipe dry with a clean cloth. Do not steam sterilize.

### 3.3 Periodic Inspection

The ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System should be visually inspected at least every year. This inspection should include checks for:

- Damage to the power cord.
- Damage to the power plug or power inlet module.
- Proper mating, cleanliness and absence of damage to the filter inlet.
- Obvious external or internal damage to the system.

### 3.4 Troubleshooting the System – see below.

PROBLEM	POTENTIAL CAUSE	CORRECTIVE ACTION
1. Smoke Evacuation System is ON but suction is minimal or none	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Filter not seated completely</li> <li>2. Filter clogged</li> <li>3. Vacuum hose or tube clogged</li> <li>4. Motor/blower obstructed</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Re-install ViroSafe Filter, press firmly into place and fully engage clip</li> <li>2. Replace filter with genuine Buffalo Filter ViroSafe filter</li> <li>3. Replace vacuum hose or tube with genuine Buffalo Filter product</li> <li>4. Call BioMed or BUFFALO FILTER Technical Services at: 1-800-343-2324 or (716) 835-7000</li> </ol>
2. Smoke Evacuation System does not function even though suction ON button is depressed	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Not plugged into electrical outlet</li> <li>2. Fuses blown</li> <li>3. Electronic system failure</li> <li>4. Filter life expired or invalid filter</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check power outlet and connection to rear or side panel of machine</li> <li>2/3 Call BioMed or BUFFALO FILTER Technical Services at: 1-800-343-2324 or (716) 835-7000</li> <li>4. Replace filter with genuine Buffalo Filter ViroSafe filter.</li> </ol>

# Customer Service

## Section 4.0

### 4.1 Equipment Return

For the quickest response to your service needs, please follow these procedures:

Step 1: Write down model and the serial number of the ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System.

Step 2: Call Customer Service at the toll free or local number listed and describe the problem.

Step 3: If the problem cannot be resolved over the phone and the equipment must be returned for repair, you must obtain a “Return Material Authorization” (RMA) number from Customer Service before returning the system.

Step 4: If you have the original packing for your ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System, use it to properly return your unit. If you do not have the original packing material, ask Customer Service for advice on how to pack the unit for return shipment.

Step 5: Freight for all returned goods should be prepaid by the shipper. Address will be supplied by Customer Service.

### 4.2 Ordering Information

To reorder, obtain replacement parts or to return a unit for service, call Customer Service at:

**800-343-2324**  
**OR**  
**(716) 835-7000**

or contact your authorized BUFFALO FILTER Distributor/Representative.

BUFFALO FILTER ViroVac™ Smoke Evacuation System versions available:

- 100/120 VAC 50/60 Hz
- 220/240 VAC 50/60 Hz

Available accessories:

- ViroSafe Filters
- Suction Canister
- Remote Switch Activator
- Hoses & Tubing
- Reducer Fittings
- Electrosurgical Pencil Adapters
- Electrosurgical Smoke Pencil

# Terms & Warranty

## Section 5.0

### **SPECIFICATIONS:**

Specifications are subject to change without notice.

### **SHIPMENT OF ORDER:**

Buffalo Filter will try to accommodate individual customer requests for shipping method. Buffalo Filter reserves the right to decide shipping method on prepaid orders. Care is exercised in the checking and packaging of all merchandise to avoid error, but should discrepancies arise, claims should be made within 24 hours after delivery.

Buffalo Filter's responsibility ceases with the safe delivery to the carrier at our dock. If the merchandise is damaged in transit, a claim must be made to the carrier involved. Buffalo Filter will assist customers in pursuing these claims.

### **RETURN OF MATERIAL:**

Return merchandise must have a pre-authorized return number from Buffalo Filter and be marked with this number prior to returning. Transportation costs must be prepaid by the shipper and all risks of loss and damage of goods are the responsibility of the shipper. Unauthorized returns will be refused. Include a copy of the packing papers and/or invoice with the return. Exchange will be of an equivalent dollar value of returned merchandise less a restocking and handling fee on new, unused, unopened equipment or disposables.

### **EXCEPTIONS:**

1. Defective merchandise may be returned for replacement only. Please contact Buffalo Filter Customer Service before shipping back merchandise.
2. Incorrectly shipped merchandise is exempt from restocking fees. Please contact Buffalo Filter customer service before shipping back merchandise.

### **WARRANTY\*:**

Buffalo Filter warrants that the filter system manufactured by Buffalo Filter shall be free from defects in material and workmanship. Products are warranted only to the extent that Buffalo Filter will replace without charge any filter systems proved to have defects within one (1) year of the date of delivery for P/N VV120 & VV220 and provided Buffalo Filter has been given the opportunity to inspect the system alleged to be defective and the installation or use thereof. No warranty is included for incidental or consequential damages of any nature arising from any defect. The warranty above is the only warranty made by Buffalo Filter and is expressly in lieu of all other warranties, expressed or implied, including, without limitation, the warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose. All warranties implied by any course of dealing or usage between parties are expressly excluded.

### **CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION:**

The information, drawings, plans, and specifications being furnished by Buffalo Filter have been developed at Buffalo Filter's expense and shall not be used or disclosed by purchaser for any purpose other than to install, operate, and maintain the system supplied.

### **CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES/LIMITS OF LIABILITY:**

Buffalo Filter shall not in any case whatsoever be liable for special, incidental, indirect or consequential damages of any kind. In no case shall Buffalo Filter's liability exceed the amount paid Buffalo Filter by purchaser for the specific system giving rise to the liability. Purchaser agrees to indemnify and hold Buffalo Filter harmless from and against all liabilities, claims, and demands of third parties of any kind relating to the system and its use.

### **ENTIRE AGREEMENT:**

Purchaser by acceptance of Buffalo Filter's offer does acknowledge and agree to the terms and conditions contained herein. All matters involving the validity, interpretation and application of this agreement shall be controlled by the laws of New York State. Using any filter not manufactured by Buffalo Filter may cause damage to the systems and will be cause for voiding the warranty.

### **JURISDICTION:**

Purchaser hereby consents to the jurisdiction of the New York Courts with respect to any controversy or dispute arising out of this agreement or the merchandise sold hereunder.

**\* An Extended Warranty Plan is available for purchase for the ViroVac Smoke Evacuation System. Please contact Buffalo Filter Customer Service for more information.**

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