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Why is my kirby not turning on

If you're having trouble turning your Kirby vacuum on, you're in the right place. Kirby is a well-renowned brand in the market and is known for developing top-notch vacuum cleaners that last for years. If your Kirby vacuum has stopped working or won't turn on, there must be some fault that you'll need to fix. Following is a guide wherein we will discuss some common issues that usually stop your Kirby from turning on or working appropriately. We will also discuss how to curb these problems to get your vacuum to work efficiently. **Safety Switches** If your Kirby has stopped working and won't turn on, the safety switches are probably the reason behind it. These switches are present for different reasons, and each of them can stop your Kirby from getting turned on. **Prevention Safety Switch** The safety switch comes with two features that stop the vacuum cleaner from turning on. These switches ensure that dust and dirt don't rise in the air and that nobody gets injured in case they try to turn the vacuum on when the shaft, fan, or motor is exposed. You should make sure that you press both the safety switches to ensure that the vacuum cleaner turns on. The vacuum cleaner won't turn on if you don't press the switches. **The Bag Safety Switch** There's a small switch that you'll find somewhere near the vacuum's bag. When the bag is properly attached, this switch is pushed forward. In case the bag is not attached to the vacuum properly, or you removed the bag, the switch won't allow the Kirby to turn on. To prevent getting into this situation, ensure that the bag is locked properly. The bag needs to be aligned with the 3 tabs on the vacuum. Once you've pushed the bag in its place, rotate it clockwise till it gets locked. If the bag keeps popping out, it may be because it is worn out and needs to be replaced. **Safety Switch on the Front** You'll find a lower/upper switch on the front side of the Kirby. Because the nozzles or the hose press the switches when attached, these switches won't allow the Kirby to turn on when a hose or nozzles have not been attached to the vacuum cleaner. **Take a Look at Kirby's Power Cord** If you have gone through the process of checking all the safety switches and your Kirby still won't turn on, it's time for you to take a look at the power cord. To check the cord, you'll need to unwind it and plug it in the power socket. Try to move the power cord while it is plugged in the socket to see if the vacuum turns on. If the vacuum turns on while wiggling the power cord, it means that there is a short in the cord. If that is the case, you should not try to fix the problem on your own. Rather, contact a professional technician to get Kirby's power cord replaced. **The Motor Must be Faulty** The motor of your Kirby can malfunction due to three main reasons. The first factor that can cause your vacuum to stop working is the on/off switch. A multimeter will be required to test the vacuum's on/off switch. A multimeter is an electronic device that measures the resistance, voltage, and amps through circuits. After checking, if the power switch turns out to be the problem, you should replace it instantly. However, if it turns out that the power switch is working properly, your next target should be the vacuum's drive motor. To check if there's a fault in the motor, check the blow wheel. The wheel should turn smoothly and without inconvenience. If the blow wheel seems to be working properly, it means that the motor needs replacement. For getting the motor replaced, you should take the help of a professional. Lastly, if both the switch and the motor are working smoothly, the culprit may be the fan motor of your vacuum. The fan motor's job is to generate suction power from your vacuum cleaner. A damaged fan motor can reduce suction, or it can lead your vacuum not to work altogether. Kirby vacuums come with a three-year warranty. Suppose your vacuum is under warranty and it stops working due to any of the aforementioned reasons. In that case, you should contact any local Kirby service provider to get the vacuum fixed or its parts replaced. You can also watch this video if your Kirby vacuum won't turn on and you're looking to fix it... **Conclusion** Kirby vacuum cleaners can stop working if you use them regularly and don't maintain them whenever necessary. Ensure that you maintain your vacuum cleaner and deep clean it at least once every year. Moreover, there may be certain other issues that may hamper the functioning of your vacuum cleaner. We have discussed all the common problems in the article above, and we hope it helps you fix your vacuum. **FAQ** If your Kirby is not turning on, take a look at the safety switches. Then, you'll want to check if there are any issues with the belt. A worn-out belt can be the reason why your vacuum isn't working. Kirby vacuum cleaners come with a three-year warranty. Under the three year warranty, you can get your vacuum cleaner's defective parts replaced. You can get the replacement done through an authorized distributor of Kirby. The green light on your Kirby indicates that the brush roll is spinning properly. If you turn your Kirby on and don't see the green light, it means that your Kirby's brush roll or the belt is hampered and needs to be fixed or replaced. Are you having trouble with your Kirby vacuum cleaner? Kirby vacuum cleaner won't turn on? Today we will go over a few common problems that keep your Kirby vacuum cleaner from working the way it should. But first... **Important Safety Tips** To Consider Always make sure that the Kirby vacuum cleaner is unplugged and that the power button is turned off before doing servicing or maintenance jobs. Make sure that your hands are free of moisture and dry before servicing or doing maintenance. Consider wearing gloves when servicing the machine in order to prevent scrapes, cuts, and other injuries. If you are uncomfortable in servicing your vacuum cleaner, do not hesitate to consult Kirby customer service or send it to professional technicians. **Read More:** How to Repair a Clogged Garbage Disposal in 6 Easy Steps? How to Set Up a Shower Head Water Filter in Under 10 Minutes How to Fix a Leaky Kitchen Faucet in 5 Easy Steps? How To Install a Kitchen Faucet Without a Plumber? How to Start a Garden – 4 Steps To Gardening For Beginners **Troubleshooting 101:** Kirby Vacuum cleaner won't turn on 1) Check The Safety Switches Safety switches in Kirby vacuum cleaners are the number one reason why a Kirby Vacuum cleaner won't turn on. The switch has 2 safety features that won't allow the vacuum to start. It prevents dust or dirt in the air from raising and causing mess if the bag is not installed or stop the risk of injuries if someone is trying to turn the vacuum cleaner on with an exposed motor shaft or fan. **Read Here:** Kirby vs. Rainbow – which is the better option? Take note that both switches should be pressed. Otherwise, the Kirby Vacuum cleaner won't turn on. Removing the bag, you will notice a tiny switch on the vacuum cleaner. There's a tab on the bag, pushing the switch forward when properly attached. This feature won't allow you to operate the Kirby vacuum if you don't have a bag installed or the bag is not completely locked onto the vacuum exhaust. To ensure that the bag is properly locked, it will need to be properly aligned on the 3 brass tabs, so you need to press it to the vacuum as far as it can go. Now, if the exhaust gasket isn't well-lubricated and/or the plastic bottom is a bit tight, you can use oil to lubricate this part and give it a strong push. Set the bag on the 3 tabs and turn it clockwise until you feel it lock into place. Now, if any of these tabs are broken, then the bag may not engage the safety switch. In addition, if you notice that the bag is popping back out of place easily, then it could be a sign that it's already worn out and requires replacement. On the front of the Kirby vacuum cleaner, there's a switch divided into 2 sections— lower and upper. We'll start with the switch behind the power nozzle. Releasing the belt, the latch, and the powerhead off, you will be able to see a safety switch. When putting the head-on, the small tab should press on the safety switch. It needs to be sticking out at least half an inch or so. However, if it looks short or has broken, jagged edge, then the tab is probably broken and is not engaging the safety switch. The solution here now is replacing the powerhead. If the tab looks intact, then you want to make sure that you are properly attaching the head. There's a bar on the vacuum cleaner and 2 hooks on the powerhead. The hooks will need to be hooked over the bar. Raise the height of the vacuum to make it easier and attach the head. When the nozzle is properly installed, it presses on the lower part and the Kirby vacuum cleaner will operate at a lower speed. Don't confuse it with the speed switch on the Diamond models of Kirby vacuum cleaners which would allow even lower speeds. **Read Here:** 10 Best Vacuum for Hardwood Floors and Carpet When a hose is installed, the Kirby vacuum cleaner will move to high speed and generates maximum airflow or suction that allows you to vacuum hard surfaces such as upholstery and floors. The hose will press on the top switch portion; however, it'll make the lower switch lever go as well. If there are no nozzle or hose installed, these switches won't be pressed and the Kirby Vacuum cleaner won't turn on. **Read More:** How to Repair a Clogged Garbage Disposal in 6 Easy Steps? How to Set Up a Shower Head Water Filter in Under 10 Minutes How to Fix a Leaky Kitchen Faucet in 5 Easy Steps? How To Install a Kitchen Faucet Without a Plumber? How to Start a Garden – 4 Steps To Gardening For Beginners 2) Check The Power Cord If you have checked the safety switches and the vacuum cleaner still won't turn on, then you should check its power cord. First, unwind the cord and plug it in a socket. Try wiggling it around as you try to turn it on. If your vacuum turns on at some point, then you might have a short in the power cord. If that the case, consider going to a qualified technician to replace the cord of your Kirby vacuum cleaner. 3) Faulty Motor There are 3 factors that lead to a malfunctioning of the cleaner motor on a Kirby vacuum cleaner. The first is with the on and off switch of the machine. To test it, you will need a multimeter— an electronic tool measuring amps, voltage, and resistance through circuits. You can use this multimeter to test the vacuum cleaner's power switch for continuity. The power switches are typically the main culprit and should be replaced if it does not turn on and off properly. Now, if the power switch is intact and is generating electricity, then the next probable source of the problem could be the drive motor. To check for motor failure, see if the blow wheel turns with ease and does not have any obstructions. However, if the motor looks good and turning without an issue and the power is going through the motor but the machine still won't turn on, then the replacement of the motor might be necessary. Make sure to visit a qualified technician to do the replacement. The third and last potential cause of a malfunctioning Kirby vacuum cleaner that does not clean well or will not turn on altogether is its fan motor. The fan motor generates the suction power, so if it is malfunctioning or damaged, then there could be a loss of suction or a dead vacuum cleaner. If your Kirby vacuum cleaner is still under warranty, then consider contacting your local Kirby office and let them know that you need replacement parts and servicing. **Read More:** How to Repair a Clogged Garbage Disposal in 6 Easy Steps? How to Set Up a Shower Head Water Filter in Under 10 Minutes How to Fix a Leaky Kitchen Faucet in 5 Easy Steps? How To Install a Kitchen Faucet Without a Plumber? How to Start a Garden – 4 Steps To Gardening For Beginners

