

Trend T35A extractor

Mark Baker tries out the new wet and dry extractor from Trend

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The T35 in use



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- 27-litre capacity impact-resistant body/container measuring 350 x 390 x 610mm in size with castors.
- Dust class category M rated to EN60335-2-69, for dust with workplace limit values > 0.1 mg/m³.
- Powerful but quiet 1400 watt silenced motor (max 1600 watt).
- Power tool take-off with auto-start feature of up to 2200 watts and eight second run-on delay.
- Auto filter shaker and blockage warning light.
- Extra-long 7m power cable.
- Extra-long 5m hose with power tool adapter.
- HEPA (High Efficiency Particulate Air) cartridge filter with 0.3 micron filter efficiency and nylon pre-filter.
- Includes floor-cleaning kit, power tool adapter, crevice tool, upholstery tool and foam filter.
- Container outlet plug for ease of emptying liquids.

As turners we all know about the dangers of dust in the workshop and we also make and do far more work in our workshop than just turning. We know that certain power tools can generate a lot of dust in use, and finding effective ways of minimising the risk of exposure to and ingestion of it is important. Trend has recently introduced the T35 M-class wet and dry extractor which may help as part of a package of measures to minimise exposure to dust.

It is supplied with a range of accessories and equipment (see the panel for info) and an instruction manual.

I know I might be in a minority, but I read the instruction manual, which is clear and concise, and fitted the dust filter bag in the slot on the inside of the inlet point. I then fitted the hose, which is 5m long with its 39mm external diameter pipe and a stepped adaptor, before coupling it to a sanding unit and plugging the sander into the power take-off socket.

I proceeded to sand the workbench top with 100, 150, 180 grit abrasives to remove scuffs, bumps and build-up of gunk ready for refinishing.

The unit is powerful and works very well. The hose is flexible enough to

move easily with the motion of the tool and, while the unit is not quiet – I usually wear ear defenders when using such powered tools – it is significantly quieter than some of the older models of extractor I have used in the past.

I liked the fact it has a 7m lead so you can position the unit well away from you. This unit has an auto-shake facility to clear the filters, ensuring efficiency for as long as possible.

Verdict

I must admit not trying to do wet area vacuuming, so I cannot comment on that, but I did use the unit on various power tools and bench-top machinery over an extended time and it didn't cause any problems in use.

It is robustly built and should withstand the rough and tumble that these units are expected to put up with. It is easy to fit and change attachments and accessories, it is powerful suction-wise and easy to use. I think it is well worth looking considering if you need a decent workshop vacuum extractor.

Price: £418.80

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