

Starting Up Your New Pool – 20,000 gallons



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IF POSSIBLE, BRING IN A SAMPLE OF YOUR TAP WATER (ABOUT 2 CUPS) TO HAVE TESTED **BEFORE ADDING** ANY CHEMICALS. IF YOU HAVE METALS SUCH AS IRON, COPPER OR MANGENESE IN YOUR WATER OR YOU HAVE WELL WATER YOU **MUST** ADD POOL MAGNET BEFORE ADDING ANY CHLORINE! FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN DISCOLORATION OF YOUR POOL WATER AND/OR STAINING OF YOUR LINER. (THIS IS NOT COVERED UNDER MANUFACTURER WARANTY.)

1. **BEFORE STARTING YOUR PUMP** FOR THE FIRST TIME, YOU NEED TO **"BACKWASH"** THE FILTER. THIS WILL REMOVE ANY FIND DUST & DIRT FOUND IN THE NEW SAND.
 - A. TURN YOUR FILTER VALVE HANDLE TO THE **"BACKWASH"** POSITION
 - B. UNROLL YOUR BACKWASH HOSE
 - C. TURN ON THE PUMP. LET THE PUMP RUN FOR 2-3 MINUTES OR UNTIL THE WATER IS CLEAR IN YOUR SIGHT GLASS ON THE FILTER VALVE.
 - D. STOP PUMP AND TURN THE FILTER VALVE TO THE **"RINSE"** POSITION.
 - E. TURN THE PUMP BACK ON AND RUN THE PUMP FOR 30 SECONDS.
 - F. STOP THE PUMP AND TURN THE FILTER VALVE BACK TO **"FILTER"** AND TURN THE PUMP ON.
 - G. NOTE THE READING ON THE PRESSURE GAUGE. THIS IS YOUR FILTER'S **"NORMAL"** CLEAN PRESSURE READING. WHEN THE PRESSURE GAUGE READS **10 DEGREES** HIGHER THAN YOUR NORMAL READING, IT IS THEN TIME TO BACKWASH YOUR FILTER.

NOTE: ALWAYS TURN OFF THE PUMP WHENEVER YOU MOVE THE FILTER HANDLE ON YOUR VALVE.

2. EACH WEEK WHEN YOU VACUUM AND BRUSH DOWN THE WALLS OF YOUR POOL, CHECK THE PRESSURE GAUGE AFTER YOU ARE FINISHED. THE FILTER MAY NEED TO BE "BACKWASHED". IF YOU HAVE A HEATER ON YOUR POOL IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE PRESSURE READING IS NO HIGHER THAN 10 LBS ABOVE YOUR "NORMAL" READING BECAUSE THE FLOW OF WATER GETS SLOWER AS THE PRESSURE RISES IN YOUR FILTER. IF THE WATER FLOW IS TOO LOW THE HEATER WILL NOT HEAT.
3. WITH THE PUMP RUNNING ADD AN INITIAL DOSE OF **BACK-UP ALGAECIDE** (10 OUNCES) DIRECTLY INTO THE POOL IN FRONT OF YOUR WATER RETURN FITTING. THIS DISTRUBUTES THE WATER FASTER AND MORE EVENLY INTO THE POOL. (YOU SHOULD **NEVER** ADD CHEMICALS THROUGH THE SKIMMER WITH THE EXCEPTION OF **STABILIZER 100***.)
4. PUT **1 SMART STICK** IN YOUR SKIMMER BASKET (IF YOU HAVE A LOT OF LEAVES/BUGS ASK US ABOUT A SKIM-MOR FOR YOUR SKIMMER BASKET)OR IF YOU HAVE A CHLORINATOR FILL IT WITH 3" TABLETS
5. "SHOCK" YOUR POOL WITH 1 BOTTLE OF **EASY SHOCK & SWIM**

*TO **SAVE** MONEY ON CHLORINE – AN **OPTIONAL** CHEMICAL IS AVAILABLE AND SHOULD BE ADDED AT THE BEGINNING OF EVERY SEASON. FOR YOUR SIZE POOL YOU WILL NEED TO ADD 6 POUNDS OF **STABILIZER 100**. **ADD VERY SLOWLY** THROUGH THE SKIMMER WITH THE PUMP RUNNING. **DO NOT BACKWASH** THE FILTER FOR 48 HOURS AS THE STABILIZER SLOWLY DISSOLVES IN YOUR FILTER.