

GETTING YOU SET UP

WELCOME TO YOUR NEW POOL



READY, SET, SWIM!

Before we hand over your pool, we get the water ready for swimming. To do this, we add a calculated amount of salt to the water. Through a process called electrolysis, the salt chlorinator attached to your pool uses dissolved salt to produce chlorine compounds that act as sanitising agents to keep your pool clear and clean. Your pool water may be a little cloudy for 24 hours. This will clear as the salt granules dissolve.

WATER TESTING

We also chemically balance your pool water and show you how to use the water testing kit we supply. The kit comes with clear instructions and is easy to use. Another option is to have your water tested by a pool supply shop. We'd be pleased to recommend one in your area.

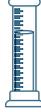
For pool owners interested in diving in deeper, we have a page dedicated to water chemistry and pool care on our website. For everyone else, it's sufficient to know that there are four main indicators of pool health - pH, total alkalinity, chlorine and salt - and these are the ideal ranges:



 **pH**
7.2 - 7.6

 **Total Alkalinity**
80-120 p.p.m.

 **Chlorine**
2500-4000 p.p.m.

 **Salt**
3750 p.p.m.

With a Hayward PS series salt chlorinator installed, you do not need to test for salt. A warning light will illuminate if the salt level is too low. Take a water sample to your local pool supply shop and they will calculate how much salt is required to correct the level.

POOL CARE CHECKLIST

LESS SKIMMING, MORE SWIMMING!



SKIM OFF LEAVES & DEBRIS

Use a long-handled leaf skimmer to gather up leaves, insects and any other debris floating on the surface. Removing debris before it sinks is a good way to avoid staining.



VACUUM

Set your pool cleaning robot to work or submerge your vacuum head and hose before hooking it up to the filter. (Those with automated in-floor cleaning can relax while the pool cleans itself!)



CLEAN SKIMMER

Empty the filter basket that sits inside your skimmer box. This will help the filtration system to operate at maximum efficiency.



TEST & ADJUST WATER BALANCE

Test your water, add chemicals and adjust chlorinator, as needed.



BACKWASH FILTER MONTHLY

Once a month or so, backwash your filter for three minutes (or until the water looks clear in the sight glass) to keep it operating at maximum efficiency. Follow the backwash with the rinse setting for about 30 seconds or until the water in the sight glass is clear.



TOP UP WATER LEVEL (AS NEEDED)

Top up your pool whenever the water level falls to about three-quarters down the skimmer box entry. (Does not apply to pools with automated water leveling.)