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New finish start-up procedures.

The pool finish will start to hydrate immediately after mixing, with the majority of hydration taking place within the first 28 days. This critical time period is when a finish is most susceptible to staining, scaling and discoloration. Proper start-up procedures including timely brushing and constant monitoring and adjusting of the pool water chemistry is mandatory. The following recommended start-up method is based on procedures shown to produce the best aesthetic results. Brushing and monitored chemical adjustments will be mandatory by the homeowner or a trained pool technician during the service life of any pool surface.

POOL FILLING DAY

- Step 1. Make sure the filtration equipment is operational.
- Step 2. Fill the pool to the middle of the skimmer or specified water level without interruption as rapidly as possible with clean potable water to help prevent a bowl ring stain.
- Step 3. Start the filtration system immediately when the pool is full to the middle of the skimmer or specified water level. Operate filtration system continuously for a minimum of 72 hours by removing the "OFF" tripper of your timer and using the pool's main drain only. (Skimmer and vacuum lines should be closed.)

Wheeled vacuums should not be used in the pool until after 14 days. Automatic cleaners should not be used in the pool for 30 days. DO NOT add chlorine for 48 hours. DO NOT turn on pool heater until there is no plaster dust in the pool. DO NOT ADD CALCIUM for 30 days. DO NOT add salt for 30 days. At no time should any person or pets be allowed in the pool during the fill. Do not allow any external sources of water to enter the pool to help prevent streaking. It is recommended that you do not swim in the pool until the water is properly balanced.

1st DAY

- Step 1. Test pH, alkalinity and calcium hardness. Record test results.
- Step 2. pH should be reduced to 7.2 to 7.6 adding Muriatic Acid.
- Step 3. Brush the entire pool surface thoroughly at least twice daily to remove all plaster dust.
- Step 4. Add a sequestering agent using the recommended initial start-up dosage.
- Step 5. Filtration system should still be running continuously.
- Step 6. Clean your cartridge filter or backwash your sand filter.

2nd DAY

- Step 1. Test pH, alkalinity and calcium hardness. Record test results.
- Step 2. pH should be reduced to 7.2 to 7.6 adding Muriatic Acid.
- Step 3. Brush the entire pool surface thoroughly at least twice daily to remove all plaster dust.
- Step 4. Filtration system should still be running continuously.
- Step 5. Clean your cartridge filter or backwash your sand filter.

3rd DAY

- Step 1. Test pH, alkalinity and calcium hardness. Record test results.
- Step 2. pH should be reduced to 7.2 to 7.6 adding Muriatic Acid.
- Step 3. Chlorine tablets and liquid or powder chlorine may now be added to achieve 3 to 5 ppm's.
- Step 4. Clean your cartridge filter or backwash your sand filter.
- Step 5. After the filter has been cleaned or backwashed. Stabilizer (Cyanuric acid.) may now be added to achieve 60 to 100 ppm's.
- Step 6. Brush the entire pool surface thoroughly at least twice daily to remove all plaster dust.
- Step 7. Filtration system should still be running continuously.

4th THROUGH THE 30th DAY

- Step 1. Test pH, chlorine, stabilizer, alkalinity and calcium hardness on a weekly basis for the first 30 days.
- Step 2. Record test results. Correct chemistry as indicated. DO NOT ADD salt or calcium for the first 30 days.
- Step 3. On the fourth day reset your filtration system to resume normal daily operating hours.
- Step 4. Brush the pool at least once a day for the following two weeks.
- Step 5. Clean your cartridge filter or backwash your sand filter on a weekly basis for the first 30 days.
- Step 6. After the seventh day you can partially open the skimmer line if needed while leaving the main drain fully open and the vacuum line closed.
- Step 7. After 14 days you can use wheeled vacuums.
- Step 8. Test your water weekly for the first 30 days. After 30 days test your water at least monthly.
- Step 9. After 30 days you can use automatic pool cleaners.
- Step 10. After 30 days you can correct calcium and salt levels.