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GENERAL OUTDOOR POOL PROCEDURES

Sand Filters:

Sand filters must be backwashed when pressure gauge is above 50 kpa. Run until backwash water is clear generally 1-2 minutes. Sand may need changing every 3-5 years. Quality can be checked yearly – if you cannot move sand freely, it is compacted and hard to break up a sand change is required. Filter run time should be a minimum of 2-4 hours during Winter and 6-8 hours during Summer. Extra run times maybe required if pool use is heavy.

Cartridge Filters:

Must be cleaned whenever pressure above 50 kpa or flow is reduced. We recommend at least weekly as fat deposits and other organic materials build up on cartridges and make filtering ineffective. Cartridges can be cleaned in Poolkare Wuncer cartridge cleaner as per instructions on label.

Cartridges can last anywhere between 12 months - 3 years.

Run times are the same as Sand Filters.

Pumps:

It is essential that the lint pot basket is kept clean of leaves and other debris – if you live in an area surrounded by trees that drop leaves in your pool then check lint pot daily. If pump is not primed then turn off pump and re prime by placing your garden hose in lint pot and fill with water, replace lid and turn on pump. This helps remove air pockets trapped in the pipework. Note this may take 5-10 min before the pump runs smoothly again.

Skimmer baskets/Lint Pot Basket:

Check for debris – leaves etc. Ensure there are no tears or splits in the basket as this could cause debris to be sucked into your pump.

Chemical Levels:

pH 7.2 -7.8 Total Alkalinity 180 ppm Chlorine around 3-5 ppm.

We can recommend a chemical program best suited for your requirements.







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Automatic vacuum cleaners: Ie Kreepy Krauly or other brands

Ensure skimmer basket is free of debris.

Ensure pump is primed and you have a good flow through pump.

If heavy organic load (leaves, dirt, dead algae) ensure MPV is on Waste, for light or normal vacuuming leave in Filter mode. Ensure pressure gauge is under 50 kpa.

If cartridge filter in and heavy organic load remove cartridges and vacuum to waste. If you leave the cartridges in – they can be cleaned in Poolkare Wuncer Cartridge Cleaner.

Multi Port Valve -

The Multi Port Valve (MPV) has multiple positions. It is important to stop pump before changing the position of the MPV.

Filter mode for filter option turns over pool water through filter bed.

Recirculate mode bypasses the sand bed. At certain times you may need to circulate chemical without putting through filter.

Back wash mode – this cleans sand to ensure optimum filtration is achieved.

Waste mode: Most commonly used when vacuuming so debris picked up in pool does not go through sand filter.

Rinse: Important to Rinse the Sand Filter after the Backwash mode.



