

Inground Pool Opening Guide

Instructions:

- Use the submersible pump or siphon device to drain the water from the winter cover. Be careful where you direct the water flow so that it does not cause any flooding problems for you or your neighbor(s).
- During this time of the water drainage, use the leaf skimmer to remove the loose debris, such as leaves etc. from the cover.
- When the water has been drained off (use a shop vac to remove the last bit of water from the cover) remove the water bags from the deep end and with assistance, pull the cover toward the shallow end.
- Remove the cover being careful not to let any of the contents spill into the pool. Attempting this alone spells **MESS**.
- Place the cover on a flat surface suitable for cleaning; deflate the water tubes and place near cover.
- Wash off the cover and water tubes using a garden hose, scrub brush and Stow Away cover cleaner.
- Store when dry, in a dry and secure location.
- Install any ladder, steps, or diving board equipment.
- Check filter and pump (heater/salt system if applicable) to ensure all drain plugs have been replaced and are secure. **DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN**.
- Remove all plugs from pool returns and foam rope (if any) and replace the return jets.
- Remove all expansion rope and gizmo from skimmer. Place basket, weir and skimmer lid in place.
- Bring water level up to operating depth (1/2 to 3/4 of the skimmer face plate)
- Check pump, filter, salt and heater connections to ensure that all connections and clamps are tight.
- Secure the backwash hose to the dial valve and place valve in drain position.
- Prime the pump with water by filling the pump basket and secure the lid, do not over tighten lid.
- When the water in the pool is at operating level, start the pump (in drain position) and let it run for about 3 minutes to purge the system of any stagnant water and/or anti-freeze. If you encounter any problems such as an air lock stop the pump, hold down the handle on the dial valve and restart the pump and let it run for a moment.
- Stop the pump, place the dial valve in the re-circulate position and let it run for a few minutes.
- Stop the pump; place dial valve in filter position and resume operation.
- After circulating water for 24 hrs, take a clean water sample bottle, arms length down to fill the bottle and bring to the store, within 2 hours of taking the sample, for a free water analysis.

What you will need:

Submersible pump
Leaf Skimmer
Garden Hose
Wet/Dry Shop Vac

Opening Kit (shock & algaecide)
Liner Cleaner (Off the Wall)
Cover Cleaner (Stow Away)
Salt Cell Cleaner

Assorted Tools
Scrub Brush
Filter Brite



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