

Above Ground Pool Winterizing Guide

Instructions:

- Have pool water analyzed to ensure that the water is properly balanced.
- It is very important to clean your filter at the end of each season. You can do this by using **Filter Brite**. Ask for details.
- Vacuum pool, removing leaves and large debris then backwash filter for approximately 5 minutes.
- Lower water level so that it is below the return jet(s). This is approximately 18 inches from the top rail.
- Remove eyeball from return jet(s) and plug with **#10 expansion plug or 1 ½ threaded plug**.
- Remove lights and salt cell.
- Unplug electrical cords to pump, timer (if required), light(s), salt system, and turn gas heater off. Drain water from pump, heater, chlorinator/brominator, salt system, and filter.
- Ensure that the filter is completely drained. Leave all drain plugs out. Set filter handle on WINTER, or put the handle between 2 settings.
- Remove basket and weir from skimmer and plug with a **#9 expansion plug**. Disconnect hose from skimmer. To prevent cracking over the winter, place a 2L empty coke bottle into the skimmer. Remove gauge(s) and sight glass from filter. Remove salt cell from system, clean cell with cell cleaner, and store in a safe place indoors.
- Apply **o-ring lubricant** to all o-rings and gaskets to prevent cracking over the course of the winter.
- Remove pump and apply 1L of **hibernate non-toxic antifreeze** into the strainer pot. Do not over tighten pump lid.
- Remove pool ladder and/or drop in step.
- Open drain cocks & then blow out heater lines. Disconnect heater pressure switch.
- The above-ground "**Winter Hibernate Kit**" treats pools up to 40,000L. Distribute kit thoroughly in pool. Use a brush to mix chemicals around.
- Clean your solar blanket with "**Stow-Away Cover Cleaner**" and store it in a garbage bag or rubber maid bin. You can leave it on the roller and use a solar cover to protect it.
- Remove chlorine/bromine from automatic feeder and let it air-dry. Put it in a container and use it next spring, do not tighten lid.
- Blow up the **air pillow** and attach it with string/rope so it is in the center of the pool.
- Set cover over pool. Pool cover should lay flat across the water, straight up and down the wall and over the top rail. Secure the winch hand tight, do not over tighten.
- Put about two inches of water on top of the pool cover.
- Check water level on the cover periodically over the winter. If water gets too high due to rain, drain excess water off the cover.

What You Will Need:

Winter Cover
Stow Away
Wet/Dry Vac
Salt Cell Cleaner

Winterizing Kit
Air Pillow
Silicone Lubricant
Hibernate Anti-Freeze

Expansion/Threaded Plugs
Filter Brite
2L Empty Pop Bottle



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