



Pool Products

Guidance Notes for Adding Stabilized Chlorine and Shock Chlorine to Small Above Ground Pools

12' Diameter 30" Deep

1100 Gallons / 5.1m³

Once the pool is filled you should commence immediately by balancing the pH and adding stabilized chlorine. The difference between your pool and your fish pond is the chemicals used to clean the water working in conjunction with the filtration system. A simple guide for you is as follows;

1. Test water using test strips
2. Balance pH by adding pH Plus or pH Minus as required to achieve a reading of between 7.2 & 7.6. Remember every chemical you add to your pool has a pH value and they will raise or lower the pH constantly, tap water and rain will also have the effect of altering the pH, so regular checking and adjusting will be necessary. If the pH is too far out chlorine will simply stop working and algae will move in.
3. Add stabilized chlorine by pre dissolving in a bucket of water taken from the pool and pouring around the perimeter of the pool taking care not to splash your clothes as they will bleach. To maintain a level of 2-3 ppm you should add approximately 9g per day to a pool of this size. Your use of chlorine may vary depending how many bathers use the pool from day to day and how much sunlight the pool is exposed to, you must therefore be prepared to add more or less if required and always check using the test strips. Chlorine should ONLY be added when the pool is not in use and we would suggest each evening before you cover it up.
4. Shock chlorine can be used as a prevention and as a cure and should be readily available to use in conjunction with stabilized chlorine and not in place of it. Firstly once a week after you have added the required chlorine as in 3 above you should also shock your pool to remove any used chlorines (Chloramines) for this size pool you should add 56g per dose pre dissolved in a bucket and poured around the perimeter taking care not to splash your clothes again. Also if the water looks a bit flat or off colour at any time, usually caused by high bather load, you should shock it immediately to restore the quality that evening, again once you have finished using the pool for the day.
5. In addition to chlorine, algacide can be added on a daily basis to assist the prevention of an algae attack and water clarifiers can also be added which act like a chemical fly paper and the smaller particles of water suspended material which would normally pass through the filter, stick to each other and become large enough for the filter to catch.

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