

WINTERIZING YOUR POOL

Use this checklist to close your pool for the winter after temperatures drop to highs of 60 to 65 degrees for a week.

SECTION 1: CHEMICALS

PRISTINE BLUE

- Balance your water.
 - Bring in a water sample or use test strips and PristineBlue (copper) testing kit
- Add a final dose of PristineBlue to reach the level of .9ppm
- Add your normal dose of PristineClean (2 oz./10,000 gal.)
- Shock pool with your normal amount of PristineExtra (1 lb./10,000 gal.)
- Follow with the steps in sections 2 through 4

NATURE'S PURE

- Balance your water
 - Copper levels = 0.3-0.5 ppm
- Closing steps:
 - Add 4oz. of Algistat per 10,000 gallons
 - Add 1 lb. of TurboShock per 10,000 gallons with pump and filter running
2 cups = 1 or 16oz. = 1 lb.
- Follow with the steps in sections 2 through 4

CHLORINE POOL

- Use the Poolife Closing Kit as instructed on the box for your pool size (
- Closing Poolife Kit steps:
 - Balance the water
Chlorine levels = 1 – 3 ppm
 - Add 4oz. of Algistat for each 10,000 gallons per label directions.
 - Add Metal Removing Agent with pump and filter running for 24 to 48 hrs. before adding Shock.
 - Add in both bags of TurboShock with pump and filter running
- Follow with the steps in sections 2 through 4.

SECTION 2: Plugs

RETURN JET PLUG

- Remove the eyeball (or fountain if installed) from return jet
- Insert Universal Plug and turn wing nut to expand plug for a tight fit

PLUGGING YOUR SKIMMER

- Use a Compensator to plug your skimmer and you will not need to drain water from your pool
 - Remove skimmer basket
 - Insert Compensator into hole inside bottom of skimmer
- If you do not want to use the compensator you will need to drain pool to below the skimmer level

SECTION 3: COVERING YOUR POOL

AIR PILLOWS (GO IN CENTER OF POOL UNDER THE COVER)

- 15' to 24' round pools use a 4'x4' pillow in the center of pool
- 25' to 33' round pools or oval pools use a 4'x8' pillow in the center of pool

POOL COVER APPLICATION FOR ABOVE GROUND POOLS

- Unbox and unfold pool cover
- Thread the cable through the grommets or loops around the edge of the cover
- Spread cover over pool (this is easier with 2 people)
- Make sure the overlapping cover is even on all sides of pool
- Thread the cable into the winch and pull it tight to secure the cover

SEMI INGROUND WITH DECK

- Unbox and unfold pool cover
- Thread the cable through the grommets or loops around the edge of the cover
- Spread cover over pool (this is easier with 2 people)
 - Slip cover between the top rail and deck
- Make sure the overlapping cover is even on all sides of pool
- Thread the cable into the winch and pull it tight to secure the cover

INGROUND OR SEMI WITH FULL DECK ON TOP RAIL

- Unbox and unfold pool cover
- Spread cover over pool (this is easier with 2 people)
- Use 1'x8' water bags to hold down edges of your cover
 - Calculate number of water bags needed
 - Round pools: $\text{Size of pool (Diameter} \times 3.14) / 8 = \text{number of water bags needed}$
 - Oval, Free Form or Rectangular pools: $((\text{Length} + \text{Width}) \times 2) / 8 = \text{water bags needed}$

SECTION 4: Hoses, Filters, and Pumps

HOSES

- Unhook hoses from pool or from the pump and filter
 - ClearBlue and Nature's Pure users need to unscrew the copper cell. Both the cell and control pad need to come in for the winter
- If hoses are hard plumbed, you can leave them but make sure to pull drain plug on your filter

SAND FILTER

- Remove winter drain plug at bottom of filter
- Set Filter to Winterize
- Take your pump inside for the winter

CARTRIDGE FILTER

- Open pressure release at top of filter
- Remove winter drain plug at bottom of filter
- Take in your pump and filter cartridge for the winter