Opening Your Above Ground Pool - Checklist



1. Prepare the area around your pool

- Remove tripping hazards like rocks, leaves, and branches on the ground around the pool.
- · Trim any shrubs or branches that may get in the way or cause debris to fall in the pool.
- · Pick up any tools, toys, lawn ornaments, and other items that may get damaged or cause you to trip.





Trim Shrubs and Branches



Pick up Tools, Toys and Lawn Ornaments

2. Inspect your pool equipment and chemicals

- · Check equipment for cracks, rust, dirt, and exposed wires.
- Make sure any small parts and pieces are accounted for, like bolts and screws.
- · Clean, repair, or replace equipment as necessary.
- Check all chemical expiration dates and replace as necessary.
- Check bottles for leaks or damage (to avoid spills and chemical burns during use).

3. Remove, clean, and store your pool cover

- Spread your pool cover out in a dry area, like the driveway, patio, or grass.
- Use a hose and a push broom or pool brush to clean any remaining dirt and debris.





4. Check your pool liner for leaks and damage

- · Check for low water levels.
- · Check for standing water around your pool.
- · Check for any noticeable rips and tears in the liner.
- Check for any cracked or loose tiles/structural damage.

Pro tip: If you do notice any damage to your vinyl pool liner and need a replacement, we've got your back. We have a variety of eye-catching and high-quality beaded pool liners and overlap pool liners to choose from.

5. Remove winter pool plugs

 $\,{\scriptstyle \circ}\,$ Reinstall your skimmer baskets and return jets to the return line.

6. Reinstall your pump, filter, and other equipment

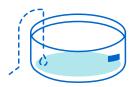
 Skimmer basket, pump, filter, booster pump, spa equipment, and heater.





7. Add water to your pool (if needed)

· Pools operate best when the water level is at approximately the middle of the skimmer opening.



8. Reinstall your deck accessories

- Pool ladder, pool stairs, diving board, slides, and deck fittings.
- When connecting stairs, ladders, and diving boards, be sure you have (and connect) all the grounding wires or straps.



Pool Ladder and Stairs



Diving Board and Slides



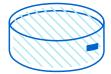
Clean your pool

- Use a leaf rake or net to scoop out large debris, like leaves and twigs.
- · Use a pool vacuum or automatic pool cleaner to tackle dirt, sand, and small debris.



10. Shock your pool

 Add enough shock to raise the chlorine level of the pool to about 3.0 ppm — or approximately 2.5 gallons of a liquid shock for every 10,000 gallons of water.





11. Test your pool chemistry

- · Chlorine: 1.0-2.0 ppm
- pH: 7.2-7.8
- Calcium Hardness: 180-220 ppm
- Alkalinity: 80-120 ppm,

- Dissolved solids: below 5000 ppm,
- Cyanuric Acid: 40-80 ppm
- Chloramine: Below 0.4 ppm



12. Enjoy your pool!

Add your pool floats & toys

If you have questions about opening your pool, our expert team at LinerWorld is always here to help!

- · Contact us by emailing direct to support@linerworld.com or by calling (708) 489-9932
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