



GREEN TO CLEAN PROCEDURE

Green pool water is mostly associated with algae (either alive or dead) and usually happens as a result of either incorrect chemical treatment, long periods of hot weather (which results in more swimmers), incorrect filter operation or a mixture of some or all of these. Green water can also happen immediately following heavy rainfall or pool “top ups“. This is due to the changed chemical balance in the pool or, in the case of top ups, can be the result of algae in the tap water.

- Turn filter off. (Do not resume usual filtration until pool is clean / clear)
- Remove solid debris (leaves etc.) with leaf rake, then brush walls with broom/nylon brush.
- Shock dose with chlorine - 200grams per 10,000 litres. This will make sure the algae is well and truly dead. We do this using Taylors FastChlor as it can be sprinkled directly over the pool without the filter running. Top up the pool with more water.
- If cloudy/green/black, add Pool Pac (usually 1 ltr up to 60,000 ltrs) by directly broadcasting over the pool surface. DO NOT mix in a bucket first as directed on the label as this is the treatment you would use if the pool were only slightly cloudy. Leave filter off.
- Wait until settled (and you can make out bottom of pool) usually within 24 hours. If the pool still looks cloudy after 24hrs you will need to vacuum to waste (blind vac). This will help the remaining cloudiness/green to settle to the bottom. At this stage you may wish to add a 2nd bottle of Pool Pac as per the directions above. Test Chlorine level and add more chlorine if needed – do this after each vacuum.
- Vacuum to waste.
- Top up pool and repeat vacuum to waste until clear. When it looks like one more vacuum would be enough, run on filter position for 4-5 minutes. This will clear all the dirty water sitting in the pipes. Let everything settle and give the pool its final vacuum.
- Give filter good long backwash then rinse.
- When clear - re test, dose and balance water and reset filter timer.