HELPFUL TIPS TO KEEP IN MIND WHEN MAINTAINING YOUR SPA!



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ATTENTION NEW HOT TUB OWNERS: PLEASE BRING A WATER SAMPLE IN BEFORE ADDING ANY CHEMICALS AND/OR BEFORE ENTERING YOUR HOT TUB FOR THE FIRST TIME.

- Test strips are a great tool to help you maintain your spa water. However since they are only a guide, we recommend visiting us for a water test at least once a month for proper water balance.
 - Professional monthly testing at DPSW is required to ensure that the warranty on your hot tub remains valid.
 - At home testing should be done weekly and before entering your spa to ensure bather safety.
 - A pool that is always circulating, is always filtering bacteria and debris out of the water.

Before adding chemicals to your spa, make sure the pump is running and the temperature is at least 80 degrees. This will ensure that the chemicals will dissolve properly.

- When adding chemicals, proper dosage is very important. Follow the instructions on the bottle for proper application.
- To avoid cloudy water, please be sure to wait at least 1 hour between each chemical addition.
- Never mix chemicals together.

The sanitizer (bromine or chlorine) is the most important chemical you will add to your hot tub. The lack of proper sanitization can lead to bacterial problems. It is necessary to use tablets along with shocking/oxidizing to achieve the ideal level of sanitizer required.

- We recommend placing 3-4 bromine or chlorine tablets into your chemical feeder/floater. Please check the feeder/floater weekly and replace the tablets as they dissolve.
- Shocking or oxidizing eliminates bather wastes and bacteria which lead to unhealthy water. This should be added at least once a week.
- Please remember to leave your cover off for 1 hour after your weekly shocking.
- A dirty filter can cause many problems in your hot tub such as foaming, cloudiness, and low circulation. We recommend using a filter cleaner every 3-4 months to prevent these problems from occurring and to remove any build up of scale, oils and greases from the filter.
 - The filter should also be rinsed off weekly, cleaning between each fibre strip. **Do not** use a pressure washer or put them in a dishwasher, as it will damage the fibres.
 - To obtain optimal performance, make sure the filter is fully dry before placing it back in the hot tub after using any filter cleaner.
- 5 Knowing when to drain your hot tub depends on the saturation of your water. Once the water is highly saturated, chemicals are no longer absorbed well and the water can become unsafe for bathers.
 - We recommend draining your hot tub every 3-4 months, depending on usage.
 - Always use a line purge before draining the hot tub, to remove any build up from inside the plumbing

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