

## Hurricane, Installation Instructions:

**WARNING: THIS IS NOT A SAFETY COVER. THIS COVER IS NOT MEANT TO BE WALKED ON BY PEOPLE OR ANIMALS.**

Our covers install very quickly, and can be done with just two people. Every cover now comes with our Basic Drain Kit that will drain the rain water off your cover.

**YOU MUST DRAIN YOUR POOL DOWN BELOW THE SKIMMER OR RETURN FITTING WHICH EVER YOU CHOOSE.**

### **STEP 1**

Always make sure your pool water is properly balanced and your winter chemicals are in the pool. Make sure there are no sharp edges on your pool that can tear the cover. Place duct tape or another product over the sharp part before proceeding. Lay the cover out on the ground in front of the pool. Find the hole in the center of the cover and install the drain kit that is included with your cover. Then locate straps on the cover that are just two feet apart. Adjust the cover so when it is pulled over the pool the straps that are two feet apart sit on both sides of your skimmer. Now, fold back the front edge of the cover a few times. This makes the part you are holding on to wider and easier to pull over the pool. As you start walking the cover over the pool keep it taught and shake the cover up and down a little. Try to keep water off the cover. This will make it easier to pull on. Now, adjust the cover so that all the pockets are hanging evenly around the pool and the two straps that are only two feet apart are spaced on both sides of your skimmer.

### **STEP 2**

**Before you start placing your water bags or sand tubes in the pockets, we highly recommend that you place a small thin piece of foam material over each of the post caps. Simply raise up the cover and lay the 12" wide by 12" long piece of foam over the cap and lay the cover back down.** Next you can go ahead and start placing the screw in stakes by every other strap up to but not more than 1 foot away from the pool. Now hook your bungee cords to your straps and stakes. You want your bungee cords to be taught but not stretched. You may have to wrap the excess cord around the stake a few times to get it taught. Make sure the cover stays centered at all times. You are ready now to start installing your water bags or sand tubes.

## INSTALLING THE WATER BAGS



**Our new Water Bags are supplied with every cover.**

You will insert your water bags end on end into the pouch of the cover. \*It helps to fold the water bags in half, long ways, then push it through as far as you can, and then reach from the other side and pull it through the rest of the way to keep them from getting kinked. Get all of the tubes in the pocket end to end. Leave about 2 feet of the opened end of the bag hanging out of the pocket until you fill it. After filling the tube with water, no more than 7.5 gallons,( see instructions on how to add the right amount of water. ) start rolling it up from the end. Now tuck the rolled up section into the pocket and place it on top of the bag. Keeping the rolled up section higher than the bag will keep the water in the bag. This is very important to prevent it from leaking out. Make sure the next bag is laying right up against the other one to help prevent it from unrolling. You can also tape it to the top of the other bag or use a clip to hold from unfolding.

### **STEP 3**

To fill the bags properly it is better to use two hoses at the same time. If you only have one hose, after filling the first BAG have someone hold up on it until you get the bag across from it filled. This keeps the cover centered over the pool as your fill up your water bags. Too fill the bags properly and equally with the same amount of water, this is what we recommend. Fill up a 5 gallon bucket with water and time how long it takes to do that. Then add half of that to that time for a total. This should give you about 7.5 gallons of water in each bag. This keeps the weight uniform around the cover. Hold the end of the bag higher than the pocket when filling. Repeat this step for every bag. This will make sure you are putting an equal amount of water in each tube. Fill them in an alternating fashion that is opposite of each other, like 12:00 and 6:00 on a clock, then 3:00 and 9:00. **After filling the first 4 bags I recommend you put about 5 gallons of water on top of your cover and make sure it is surrounding the drain evenly and centered. You may have to shift your cover to get the water to the center of the cover.** Once centered, continue filling in this fashion until all the bags are full. Make sure your cover is hanging evenly over the pool as your work your way around. We recommend that after installing your cover that you check your water bags over the next few days to make sure the bags are not leaking. Always put the rolled up end on top of the water bag.

### **STEP4**

Simply readjust the 8 straps WITH YOUR BUNGEE CORDS ATTACHED and make sure the cover is hanging evenly. \*NOTE: **Do not stretch your bungee cords.** They need to stretch if there is a heavy snow load on your cover later. As the cover settles the straps may lose some tension. Every month you should check your straps.\*

### **USING SAND TUBES INSTEAD OF WATER BAGS**

Make sure the cover stays centered while you are installing your tubes. Place the tubes in the pocket like the water bags in a alternating fashion Once done, the cover should now be nice and tight and hanging evenly on the pool.

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You may have to go around and adjust each bungee cord at this time. Remember, you just want the bungee cord taught not stretched.

**THIS WILL ALLOW THE COVER TO SETTLE DOWN UNDER A HEAVY SNOW LOAD WITHOUT TEARING THE STRAPS.** You may have to go back later and adjust them as the cover stretches. \*If you have a deck, attach the straps to the deck using the special fender washers and stainless steel screws that we provide upon request.\* **USE THE BUNGEE CORDS HERE AS WELL....**

**PEA GRAVEL CAN BE USED INSTEAD OF SAND IF YOU LIKE. WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT.!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**



### **IF YOU HAVE A FULL OR PARTIAL DECK**

If you have a partial deck, where the cover meets the pool deck you will need to notch the cover here. Take a pair of scissors and cutting up from the bottom where the cover meets the deck, cut straight up until you get to the binder, or horizontal seam, do not cut the black binder or seam unless necessary. This will allow the pocket to be notched so it can lay up on the deck. Go to the other side where the deck is and do the same thing. \*Our cover is designed for this and will not fray when cut.\* You will not lose your warranty by doing this.. Now the cover should be lying on the deck and hanging down off the side of the pool. Place the sand tubes or water bags in the pouches on the deck first. We recommend using our fasteners to secure the cover to your deck as well. After you have placed the tubes in the pouch on the deck, pull the black strap over the pocket nice and tight add your bungee cord to the strap and place a screw and fender washer into the deck to hook the bungee cord to. Do not pull the bungee cord tight, it needs to stretch if there is a heavy load on your cover. Repeat this for every strap that is lying on the deck. Then place the tubes in the cover hanging down next at opposite positions as you go around the pool. When finished, check and adjust the straps if needed.



### **Your Finished!**

Installing a complete cover on a 24 foot round pool won't usually take two people more than 30 minutes! After installed, you won't have to worry about your cover ever blowing off again. If you accumulate leaves on your cover just take your pool pole and brush and push them off or blow them off with a blower.. **Never let water accumulate on your cover.**

### **SPRING BREAKDOWN INSTRUCTIONS**

When removing your cover for the swim season, first remove all the sand tubes or empty the water bags by unrolling the ends and simply raise up the other end of the bag. You can leave the water bags in the cover. We recommend washing or spraying the cover off with a cover cleaner. This will keep the cover from mildewing and protect the material better while it is stored for the season. Lay the cover on the ground and spray on the cover cleaner and then, scrub and spray off all of the dirt and debris. Let the cover dry then fold it up and store it in a container like a large garbage can with a lid so pest cannot chew up your cover over the summer. Place sand tube in a place where they will not be exposed to the sun or weather.

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