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## Opening Instructions for Above Ground Pools

### Cleaning Cover

- Pump the water off the top of the cover – Easiest method is to purchase a submersible pump that can be attached to a garden hose. You could also siphon it.
- After all the water has been pumped off, clean the debris that has accumulated on the cover.
- Once the winter cover is clean, remove it off the top of the pool. Also take out the air pillow or float that had been placed in the middle of the pool.

### Reattaching Filter Equipment

- Attach the skimmer hose to the front of the pool pump.
- Attach the hose from the filter back to the pool (small outlet on the side of the pool).

Once the hoses have been hooked up to the pool and the filter:

- Screw all the drain plugs back into the bottom of the pump, filter, and chlorinator.
- Reattach the pressure gauge and air bleeder (if applicable).
- Remove the winter plug from the outlet (return) that was on the inside of the pool. Screw the directional flow (eyeball) back into the return fitting.
- Remove any skimmer cover or plate you may have placed on the opening of the front of the skimmer. Also remove the gizzmo (if used) and replace with your basket. The skimmer door can now be reinserted at this time.

### Fill Pool

Fill the pool half to two thirds the way up the skimmer. After the pool has been filled start the filter. If you have a DE filter be sure to add DE at this point! Chemicals can then be added.

### For Chlorine or Simple Blue Pools:

- Add 1lb. or 1 gal. of Shock per 10,000 gallons
- Add 1 Islander Opening kit per 12,500 gallons

### For Simple Salt or Power Ionizer Pools:

- Add 1lb. or 1 gal. of Shock per 10,000 gallons
- Add 1 Islander Opening kit per 12,500 gallons
- Replace Simple Salt Cell
- Add 1 full pail of Simple Salt Prime 24 hours after opening chemicals

### For Baquacil Pools:

- Add 1 gallon of Baquacil Shock and Oxidizer per 10,000 gallons
- Add 2 pints of Baquacil CDX per 10,000 gallons
- **Following Day** – Test pool water and top-up Baquacil Sanitizer to 50 ppm.

To adequately filter pool, equipment should circulate continuously for 8-12 hours per day.