## Setting up your pool **for summer**

## Summer's coming!

Temperatures are rising and although you might not feel quite ready for a dip, once your pool water reaches around 15°C, algae can multiply very quickly and turn your pool water green overnight!

Steps to prevent a cloudy and/or green pool are relatively simple, and it is much cheaper and easier than fixing it.



Keeping your pool clean, healthy and looking great shouldn't be difficult if you do the following

1. If you have a cover, remove it. You may want to clean it first.

**2.** Take a water sample. We need ideally around 500ml in a clean bottle taken from an elbow deep depth in the pool water (not skimming the surface). Bring it for us for a detailed test and we will give a customised 'recipe' for the chemicals you need. We will also need to know what the volume of your pool is, the type of pool and your water source (town supply, rain or bore).

- 3. Please note the following as we may ask questions:
  - a. Is the water clear and can you see the bottom?
  - b. Is there algae and if so what colour?

**4.** Empty the skimmer basket(s) and rinse clean with a garden hose. If you have them, empty the leaf canister and pump baskets.



**5.** If there is debris (such as leaves) in the pool, remove with a leaf net / scoop.

**6.** Brush the sides and bottom of the pool using a pool broom.

**7.** Check all the pool equipment is working and there are no leaks.

**8.** Vacuum the pool and backwash the filter.

**9.** Top up the water level if less than 2/3 up the level of the skimmer.

**10.** Wipe the water line with soft cloth and Squeaky Clean.





**11.** Change the pump timings to 8-12 hours to ensure adequate filtration and circulation. More is better than less. A cloudy or green pool is most commonly caused by inadequate filtration time.

**12.** Clean filter media /cartridge filters with FilterBrite.

**13.** Add the correct chemicals to balance and sanitise your pool. Follow the instructions carefully, especially for how much to add and how long to wait between steps.





