

# SPRING POOL OPENING GUIDE

1. Drain all the water off the pool cover. Do not try to remove cover with water on it! Removing water can be done easily by purchasing a submersible pool cover pump or by siphoning.
2. Reinstall all parts of pump and filter that were removed for winterization.
  - a. **NOTE:** Consult pump and filter manual for proper installation.
  - b. **NOTE:** Sand from sand filters should be changed every two years.
3. Attach the hose from the front of the pump to the skimmer. Attach the hose from the top of the filter to the return or light fitting.
4. Reinstall UV system, mineral purifier, or salt system (if any).
5. Raise water level to midway into the skimmer.
6. Remove cover in the following manner:
  - a. Disconnect cable and turnbuckle.
  - b. With two people, work around pool (each person going in the opposite direction) disconnecting cable and folding cover back toward the opposite end of pool.
  - c. Pull cover up and remove it to an area where it can be spread out and cleaned with a mild detergent and water, or cover cleaner.
7. Remove Aquador™ Winterizing Plate from skimmer and 8.5 or 9 rubber plug from return (if any).
8. Place skimmer basket in skimmer.
9. Raise water level to midway into the skimmer.
10. Prime the pump by filling it with water.
  - a. If equipped, open valves on top of filter and on front of pump.
11. Loosen air vent cap until all air has escaped. Retighten.
12. Start pump and add Diatomaceous Earth if your filter is D.E. (consult filter guide for proper amount).
13. Check filter for any leaks.
14. Hand vacuum swimming pool.
15. Add Crystal Pools' Spring Startup Kit.
16. Double shock pool with proper amount of granular chlorine.
17. Add correct number of chlorine tablets to skimmer or chlorinator. (when not using FROG Leap® Infuzer)
  - a. Add your FROG Torpedo Pacs® if using the FROG Leap® Infuzer
18. Clean and inspect cover for damage and allow cover to dry. Fold and store cover in a cool, dry place. Crystal Pools recommends storing the cover in a sealable container to prevent damage
19. Bring a sample of water to Crystal Pools after filter is up and operational for at least 3-5 days to determine proper water chemistry.
20. Have a pleasant season!

**NOTE:** If you would like Crystal Pools to open your inground or above ground pool, remember to have all water siphoned or pumped off the pool cover and the pool water filled to normal operating level.

Also, if you are not going to be home when the service crew arrives, please have an outside water supply ready, leave breakers on to pool area, and have pool accessories available. If this is not done, Crystal Pools, Inc. will not be able to open your pool and you will be charged for a service call.

To schedule Crystal Pools for your pool opening, please call (717) 534-1837 Monday through Friday, 8am to 4:30pm, and ask for our pool service department. Crystal Pools has opening, winterizing, and weekly cleanings available. Call early for a date.