



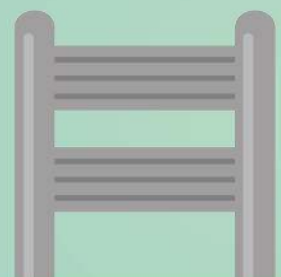
# Pool Filter Care Guide



**UV** POOLS

**Proper care and maintenance of your pool filter is very important.**

**This guide will provide you with helpful care tips as well as instructions to prepare your pool filter at the beginning and end of the swimming season.**



# Filter Tips

## Sand filter

- ◆ **Backwash only when the filter pressure is 8 psi above the clean baseline pressure.**
- ◆ **Never switch the filter head position when your pool pump is running.**
- ◆ **If your water is not very clear, it may be that you are backwashing your filter too often.**
- ◆ **Sand needs to be replaced only when backwash water does not clear up (average 10-12 years)**
- ◆ **If your pool water is lacking clarity, the sand in your filter may be hard and clumped together. Breaking up the clumps or changing your sand are the best options.**



# Filter Tips

## Cartridge filter

- ◆ **Do not pressure wash the cartridges, the pleats of the filter can tear and the dirt can be driven further inside the cartridge.**
- ◆ **Having 2 sets of cartridges makes filter cleaning easier, simply swap the dirty cartridges for your spare clean set and then you can clean your dirty ones at your leisure.**



# Summerizing

- ◆ **On sand filters, after the initial pool cleaning, backwash your filter and take note of your baseline pressure. Once the pressure goes up 8 points from that baseline that means it is time to backwash.**
- ◆ **On cartridge filters, after your pool is summerized and your pump is running always open the air bleed screw to bleed off excess accumulated air.**
- ◆ **When threading in the pressure gauges, use silicone instead of thread sealing tape (Teflon tape) and thread in only enough to seal (light hand tight, never use a wrench).**



# Winterizing

- ◆ **Always drain your filter at the end of the season. There will be a threaded plug somewhere near the bottom of your filter.**
- ◆ **Always remove the pressure gauge off your filter in the fall and store it in a heated area**
- ◆ **On cartridge filters, open the air bleed valve by the pressure gauge to help your filter drain faster.**
- ◆ **On sand filters, always put the filter head handle position into winterize mode once your pool is winterized.**
- ◆ **Backwash your sand filter right before you winterize your pool, this way it will be ready to go for spring.**

