



## The Fun Experts®

### OPENING YOUR ABOVE-GROUND POOL

These Recommendations are for 'Alden Pools & Play' Pools. ALL others please check with owner's manual for specific instruction to your pool.

- **OPEN BEFORE WATER TEMP IS 60°**
  - Algae is dormant at 60°
  - Save time and money: open while water is still clear
- **SETUP FILTER SYSTEM**
  - Inspect hoses for cracks
  - Re-Install gate valves
  - Use O-ring Lubricant on all o-rings
  - Don't use Vaseline; causes warping and stretches the o-ring out
  - Remove return plug and put back in the directional eyeball
  - Add fresh sand to your sand filter
- **RAISE WATER LEVEL**
  - To half way up the skimmer opening
  - Filter for 24 HRS.
- **BRING WATER SAMPLE FOR TESTING/BALANCING**
  - It is easier, cheaper, & chemicals last longer with proper balance
  - Make a list of water care products at home
- **VACUUM POOL THOROUGHLY**
  - Use a leaf vacuum to remove large debris and leaves
  - Chemicals will work more effectively and save you \$\$\$\$
- **ADD OPENING PRODUCTS**
  - Do not add through skimmer
  - Add one product at a time
  - Filter for several hours



- **INSTALL LADDER OR IN-POOL STAIRS**
  - Clean and rinse off dirt
- **STORING WINTER COVER**
  - Clean and rinse
  - Use **Bioguard Stowaway** to maximize life
  - Store in a cool dry place out of reach of rodents and insects
- **TEST WEEKLY**
  - To minimize water problems test with home kit weekly
  - Bring sample into Alden Pools as often as you'd like!

\* ALL ITEMS HIGHLIGHTED IN YELLOW CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE STORE