

# Water Care Instructions for Mineral Sticks

(low chlorine)

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#### **Start-Up Procedures**

- 1. To fill up the spa: Remove one of the filter cartridges and place hose inside of the hole and fill tub to cover the highest set of jets
- Plug in the tub or turn power on to start circulating the water. Allow water to heat up to at least
  degrees before adding any chemicals
- 3. Add 2 oz. of Spa Metal & Scale Protector. Let this circulate for 30 minutes
- 4. Add 2 oz. of Granular Chlorine. Let this circulate for 30 minutes with the cover of the spa open
- 5. Insert the Spa Mineral Cartridge/Stick into the filter housing next to the cartridge(s). It should <u>not</u> go in the filter itself, as it could get caught in the piping.
- 6. Add 16 oz. of Calcium Hardness Increaser. Only add 2 oz. every 20 to 30 minutes. Water with appropriate calcium levels foam less, sparkle better and the water is less aggressive towards metals and plastics.
- 7. Wait approximately 24 hours and bring in a water sample to be tested for any chemical adjustments.
- 8. Add ½ oz of granular chlorine per person after ease use

#### **Appropriate Levels**

• Chlorine: 1-3ppm

• pH: 7.2-7.8

Alkalinity: 80-120ppm

• Calcium Hardness: 200-500

### **Measurement Conversions**

- ½ oz = 1 tablespoon
- 1oz = 2 tablespoons
- 2oz = ½ cup
- 8oz = 1 cup

## **Helpful Hints:**

- Always run the spa jet when adding chemicals.
- Leave spa cover open or off for 20-30 minutes after adding chlorine or non-chlorine shock the impurities need to off-gas
- Wash the area above the waterline with spa water weekly after adding chlorine to clean this surface.



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After Each Use: Add ½ oz granular chlorine per person

### **Weekly Maintenance Procedures**

- 1. Test water with test strips and adjust levels, as necessary. If you are unsure, bring in 4-6 oz of spa water to Pettis for a computerized water test.
- 2. Add 2 oz. of Granular Chlorine if chlorine has not been added in the last 3-4 days. Let this circulate for 30 minutes with cover off.
- 3. Wash the area above the waterline with chlorinated spa water to clean this surface or use spa surface cleaner.
- 4. Add 2 oz of Non-Chlorine Spa Shock. Let this circulate for 30 minutes with cover off.

### **Every two weeks:**

- 1. Add 1 oz. of Spa Metal & Scale Protector. Let this circulate for 30 minutes before adding your normal weekly chemicals as directed above.
- 2. Rinse filter cartridges to remove any debris. Inspect for discoloration which is means the cartridges needs to be chemically cleaned.
- 3. Make sure the water level is up and covering the highest jet. Topping up the water level is a regular occurrence.

## Monthly:

- 1. Chemically clean the filter cartridge(s)
- 2. Bring in a water sample to Pettis Pools for a computerized water test.

### **Reminders:**

- Always leave spa cover open after adding non-chlorine shock or chlorine.
- Always close air-injector knobs when not using the spa.
- Spa water needs to be drained and refilled every 4 months.
- Clean the underside of the spa cover occasionally with bleach water to prevent odors