

ACID WASH & PAINTING CONCRETE POOLS

PREPARATION

- Rent a 2" pump with hoses.
- Buy 36L of acid, 8 kg PH Up, an acid wash brush with handle and 2L of Pool Cleaner.
- Obtain a plastic sprinkler can and remove sprinkler head.
- Use water proof gloves and boots.
- Get a large garbage pail and shovel.
- Set up pump and hoses - prime pump and begin draining down.
- Prepare the acid wash solution by pouring **ACID** into **WATER** in sprinkler can, 3 parts water, 1 part acid.
- As soon as water level has dropped 2 ft, quickly circle the pool pouring a stream of acid solution via the spout along the top edge of the wall, letting it run down in an even sheet along the wall and into the draining pool water.
- Quickly follow up by scrubbing the acid washed surface with the acid wash brush.
- Apply extra doses of acid and brush where necessary.
- Rinse thoroughly with garden hose.
- Continue acid washing while the pool is draining.
- After each acid wash, sprinkle Ph Up into the pool water to neutralize the acid.

CLEAN UP

- As the water drains into the deep end, begin removing any debris accumulating and keep the suction strainer cap clean.
- Continue acid washing the decreasing circle, neutralizing and rinsing as you go along.
- When the pool is almost empty, remove the main drain cover and put the hose end into the main drain for the first pump-down. It may be necessary to bail the last bit of water with a cup and pail.
- **Check the hydrostatic relief valve in the main drain to:**
 - A) Make sure it opens to relieve any hydrostatic pressure
 - B) Make sure it is closed tight before the main drain cover goes back on
- Begin refilling the pool immediately.
- **If you are painting the pool, leave the valve open so that:**
 - A) Pressure is relieved
 - **OR**
 - B) Accumulating rain water drains out

PAINTING

Follow the manufacturer's instructions for the type of paint you have selected.