



# POOL MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST

While some aspects of pool maintenance should be left to a professional, homeowners can take steps to keep their pools safe and healthy. Share this pool maintenance checklist with your customers to educate them on the activities they should be performing at regular points throughout the year.

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## DAILY MAINTENANCE

- Check water levels.** Pool water should reach halfway up the skimmer. Having too little or too much water can damage the skimmer.
- Check the filter, pump and basket.** The pressure gauge should be in normal pressure range and all mechanics should be in good working order. Clear any debris from the basket.
- Inspect the pool cleaner.** If you have a pressure cleaner, empty the bag as needed. Suction and robotic cleaners only need to run a few times a week. Clean out any debris from the water.

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## WEEKLY MAINTENANCE

- Monitor chemical levels.** This should be done two to three times a week. Aim for a pH level around 7.4 to 7.8, for a perfect pH of 7.5. Also check alkalinity levels. Add chemicals as needed based on the chemical levels. Shock the pool if total chlorine is higher than free chlorine.
- Clean the pool deck.** Use a broom, leaf blower or garden hose to remove any leaves, dirt and other debris.

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## MONTHLY MAINTENANCE

- Check calcium and cyanuric acid (CYA) levels.** Calcium hardness should be around 200 to 400 PPM. CYA should be around 40 to 80 PPM.
- Test salt levels.** If you have a saltwater pool, test the salt levels once a month.

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## YEARLY MAINTENANCE

- Fix loose bolts.** Examine the pool's ladders, slides and diving boards, looking for loose bolts and other damage.
- Disassemble and clean the filter.** Check the manufacturer's guidelines on how often to change cartridge elements.



Sources: Angi, Weekly Pool Maintenance Checklist; Swim University, A Beginner's Guide to Pool Maintenance; Pool Troopers, Pool Maintenance Checklist