

POOL CHEMICAL SAFETY

PROTECT YOURSELF FROM THE THOUSANDS OF PREVENTABLE INJURIES THAT OCCUR EACH YEAR

EDUCATE YOURSELF ABOUT POOL CHEMICAL SAFETY

- ✓ Get proper training in pool chemical safety
- ✓ Read entire product label or Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) before using or storing chemicals

STORE POOL CHEMICALS SAFELY

- ✓ Keep all chemicals out of the reach of children and pets
- ✓ Store chemicals in conditions recommended by the manufacturer
- ✓ Keep chemicals closed in original, labeled container
- ✓ Keep chemicals dry and do not mix different chemicals
- ✓ Keep chemicals cool in a well-ventilated area away from direct sunlight
- ✓ Prioritize good housekeeping in the chemical storage area—do not allow debris, rags, trash, etc. to collect in this area
- ✓ Store and consume food and beverages away from chemicals
- ✓ Respond to pool chemical spills immediately

USE POOL CHEMICALS SAFELY

- ✓ Read product label and manufacturer's directions carefully before each use
- ✓ Dress for safety by wearing appropriate safety equipment such as safety goggles, gloves, mask, and footwear
- ✓ Handle chemicals in well-ventilated area and minimize dust, fumes, and splashes
- ✓ Use chemicals in manufacturer's original, labeled container
- ✓ Open one product container at a time and close it before opening another
- ✓ Dedicate equipment such as scoops and buckets to one pool chemical. Do not use this equipment for any other chemical
- ✓ Wash hands after working with chemicals
- ✗ Never pre-dissolve chemicals or add water to liquid chemicals. Instead, add pool chemicals to the water
- ✗ Never mix chlorine products with each other, with acid, or with any other substance
- ✗ Never consume food or beverages or smoke while handling pool chemicals

DISPOSAL OF POOL CHEMICAL CONTAINERS

- ✓ Follow product label directions for safe disposal; never reuse containers
- ✓ Contact local or state hazardous materials agency for proper disposal procedures for pool chemicals in unlabeled containers:

Union County Bureau of Hazardous Material- (908) 654-9881

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste- (609) 633-1418