

POOL MAINTENANCE: WHAT TO KNOW BEFORE WATER FLOWS

Water treated with chemicals such as chlorine, bromine, and salt is toxic to wildlife and fish and **not safe** to discharge into storm drains!

Let treated water sit untouched for **the recommended 10 days** to allow chemical concentrations to decrease to environmentally friendly levels. Use a pool test kit to ensure these levels are met.

Once the chemically treated water is neutralized, it may be drained. Contact your local Department of Public Works to determine if neutralized water may be discharged to a storm drain.



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POOL WATER?

HOW TO DRAIN TO THE TERRAIN

- Water should be essentially free of chlorine (≤ 0.1 ppm total chlorine), algaecides, and other pollutants.
- pH should be within 6 to 9.
- Test your pool water to ensure it is safe prior to discharge!
- Pool discharges should be done slowly to prevent soil erosion, flooding, or damage to adjacent properties.
- Avoid draining pools during periods where the ground is saturated to avoid ponding.



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