



BAD WEATHER CLEAN-UP

Alabama weather knows how to do damage to your pool. Here are some pointers in the clean-up process:

1. If leaves and other large debris have made it into your pool, used a leaf rake to scoop them out. Organic materials can easily cause algae outbreaks, so the sooner you remove them from the pool, the less of a chance you have at getting an algae problem.
2. If there is a lot of fine particle debris too small for a net or rake, floc your pool water. We personally suggest Baquacil Flocculent. When the particles have sunk to the bottom of your pool (check the back of your flocculent packaging for waiting time), vacuum to waste.
3. Always double-shock your pool after it rains. The acidity of the rain can lower your chlorine level and sometimes cause it to bind up. Shocking your pool promptly after rainfall is one of the best solutions we have to avoid chlorine binds.
4. If there is algae in your pool, wait for an hour after you shock and then add the recommended dose of algaecide for your size pool (refer to table on algaecide packaging). The most effective algaecides for already-green pools are copper-based algaecides like Banish.

If you follow these steps, your pool should stay crystal clear, or clear up in 3-4 days. It's never a bad idea to bring in a water sample within a week after a big rain to double-check the alkalinity, calcium, and pH levels. All three chemical levels will drop with significant fresh water additions.