

Elemental Water Care Program

For best results we recommend ozone combined with minimal chlorine and a Sanitizer Side Kick.

The goal of this program is clean, healthy water.

The following instructions are based on average usage (1-2 persons 3 times per week).

An increase in bather load will dramatically affect water quality and require water care supplies to be added more frequently.

Keep the spa cover ON and Locked with the air controls closed when not using the spa to keep it warm and ready.
Run jet pumps for at least 15 minutes whenever adding liquid or granular water care supplies to your hot tub.

Filling the Spa

1. Add one bottle of **Metal Gon** to the perimeter of the spa immediately after filling to neutralize iron, copper, and other minerals in the water. Wait for water to reach set temperature before moving to the next step.
2. Test levels of alkalinity, pH, and calcium hardness. Add **Spa Up** (to increase) or **Spa Down** (to decrease) to 80-12 ppm alkalinity and 7.2-7.6 pH as needed. Add 1 bottle of **Silky Smooth** to help prevent pH drift once your pH is in the ideal range.
3. Add **Calcium Booster** to increase the calcium hardness level to 150-250 ppm as needed.
4. Place the **Sanitizer Side Kick Mineral Cartridge** inside the filter area. Follow with 2 oz. of **Renew**, then run jets 15 minutes with cover open before moving to next step.
5. Add 1 oz. **Spa 56 Chlorine** as needed to reach a level of 1-3 ppm.

Per Use/Weekly

1. Test water levels of total alkalinity and pH every few days and adjust as necessary to maintain ideal ranges.
2. Add **Spa 56 Chlorine** after each use to maintain a level of 1-3 ppm (appx. 1/4 oz. per person/bather. Extra chlorine may be needed after heavy use). Supplement with 1/2 oz. **Spa 56 Chlorine** every 1-3 days without use.
3. Alternate 2 oz. of **Defender** once every other week to keep scale and stain from building on the heater element and spa shell. Add 2 oz. of **Enzyme** once every other week to keep the water clear. Run Spa for 20 minutes before proceeding to next step.
4. Add 2 oz. of **Renew** or 3 tablets of **Renew Tabs** oxidizing shock treatment per 250 gallons every week to reduce foam and odors. Leave cover open for 15 minutes.

Monthly

Pleated cleanable filters: Clean the filter cartridge at least once a month by soaking in a solution of 16 oz. of **Filter Clean** and 4 gal. water, then rinse very well with fresh water. Replace the filter cartridge every 12-18 months. **Instant Cartridge Clean** can be used as a pretreatment before a soak, or if a full soak is not possible.

Do not soak disposable "microclean" filters: With a 2 part filter system, the small Microclean filter and Microclean insert should be replaced every 3-6 months, pleated portion only to be cleaned with above instructions and replaced 12-18 months. Full size Microclean filter is disposable after 6-9 months and is not cleanable. Replacement times for Micro Clean filters will vary based on water conditions and bather load.

Hot Spring Tri-X filters: should be placed into the dishwasher to remove surface debris. Place the Tri-X filter in the dishwasher, with no soap or other additives, once a month. We recommend soaking the Tri-X filter using **Filter Clean** to remove minerals and oil buildup every time you drain or refill your spa.

Every Four Months

1. Drain water and clean the spa shell every four months with **Citrabright** then rinse well. **Defender** can be used on tough stains on spa shell.
2. Replace the **Sanitizer Side Kick Mineral Cartridge**. Ask about our **Auto-Ship Program!**
3. Clean the spa cover and polish with **303 Protectant** to preserve and protect the vinyl.

Yearly

Before draining your spa add 1 bottle of **Spa Cleanse** to your spa water to prevent buildup of organics, oils, and minerals. Rinse and polish the shell with **Fast Gloss**. Check ozone system including check valve and tubing.



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of gallons: _____
Uses filter: _____