

# Simple Tips.....

To keep your spa like new

## The Spa Water:

Keeping the spa water sanitised and balanced not only makes bathing more pleasurable and safe but also helps to keep your spa's equipment in good condition. Always check the water with a Test Strip prior to getting in your hot tub, it only takes a few seconds and can prevent having to make major additions of chemicals, "little and often" is the best guidance when adjusting water properties.



Cover Damage caused by chemicals

When adding chemicals it is always advisable to pre-dissolve them prior to dosing the spa, this stops chemicals sinking to the bottom of the tub and causing damage to the shell – **REMEMBER:** Always add the chemical to water not the other way round.

### Another Very Important Point:

**ALWAYS** leave the cover open for at least 30 minutes after adding any chemical to allow them to "Gas Off", this prevents damage to the underside of the cover, headrest cushions and spa shell.

## The Filters:

The filters in your spa have a tough job, they remove particles, grease, oil and other contaminants from the water, treat them with a bit of care and they will work effectively, help keep the water clean and minimise chemical additions. There are two main types of filter:



**1.) Pleated Polyester Fibre:** These are found in most spas and there may be more than one. You should clean these at least every 2 weeks, using **AquaSParkle Instant Filter Cleaner**, then rinse thoroughly with a hose pipe and allow them to dry naturally before putting them back into use. Every 2 months, give the filters a "soak clean" (after an "instant clean") using **AquaSParkle Immerse** this gives the filters a deep clean and removes stubborn contaminants. Ideally have spare filters available so that you always have a clean, dry, set available to put in the spa and rotate the use of them. **Replace filters every 12-18 months to guarantee they work properly.**

**2.) Micron Filters:** These are made of sintered Polypropylene and remove very small particles (down to 1 micron) out of the water, they are linked to the Circulation Pump and work 24/7 to really polish the water. They can be cleaned every month with a quick hose rinse. – **DO NOT** use cleaners, or detergents on these filters. They should be thrown away after 4 months and replaced with new ones as they get progressively blocked up with fine particles that can't be washed out, failure to do this will result in the Circulation Pump becoming over strained and ultimately lead to its failure.

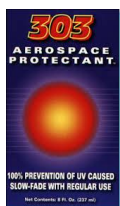


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## The Headrest Cushions:

Headrest Cushions **ARE NOT** covered under any manufacturer warranty (like tyres on your car), to prolong their life always make sure you leave the cover open for at least 30 minutes after adding chemicals to prevent "Off Gas" damage - Clean and condition them frequently.



Remove the Headrest Cushions every 2-3 months and clean with a mild detergent, using a small soft brush to remove dirt and chemical deposits from the textured surface, rinse and dry them. Then apply **303 Protectant** and rub in with a cloth, polish off any excess with a clean cloth until dry, then clip them back into place in the spa.

## The Cover:

It is important to keep your spa cover in good condition, it prevents heat loss (making your spa cheaper to run), stops debris entering the water and chemicals burning off or evaporating - Covers are not cheap items to replace!



We strongly recommend you use a Cover Lifter to prevent accidental damage when removing and replacing the cover.

*The simple periodic maintenance regime below, will dramatically prolong the life of your cover:*

### Every 6 Months

1.) Clean the underside of the cover with a weak solution of Chlorine, or Bleach and a soft brush, make sure you get into all the folds and creases to remove hidden mould and bacterial build up, rinse off thoroughly with clean water.

2.) On a good weather day, take the cover off the spa, undo the zips on the centre seam and then fold backwards (with the underside of the cover facing outwards) so it can stand like a tent, this will allow the core of the cover to dry out and helps to prevent water-logging.

### Every 3 Months

3.) Wash the topside of the cover with a mild detergent and plenty of water using a soft brush to get into the textured finish of the vinyl, then, dry off using a clean cloth or towel. Spray generously with **303 Protectant** and rub in to the surface until dry, this works like a Sun Block for the Vinyl outer skin and helps prevent U.V. damage, prolonging its life by up to 5 years!

