

Premium Leaf & Debris Cover – Use & Care Instructions

Congratulations on the purchase of your Premium Leaf & Debris Cover. You have chosen a quality pool cover, with strong construction, and maximum UV inhibitors. If treated correctly, you can expect the cover to last 8 - 12 years, however, the life will vary depending on many factors, including:-

- The latitude of your location and whether the cover is exposed to full sun.
- Whether the cover is removed annually for the summer season, or if it is permanently fitted to the pool.
- The cover should span the pool without being in contact with the water, such that leaves and debris falling onto the cover will remain dry and will generally just blow off. This can be assisted with a blower if required. If the cover dips into the water, the wetness will retain debris and the cover may become burdened by the weight of decomposing leaf matter.
- If the cover is immersed in the water for prolonged periods, its life will ultimately be compromised by pool chemicals.

Please follow these basic care instructions to enjoy the benefits of this great product for many years to come.

1. The Premium Leaf & Debris Cover should be fitted to the entire pool and kept under sufficient tension, so that it is high and dry above the water level. To facilitate this, the pool water level should be maintained at the recommended level, which is normally $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{2}{3}$ of the weir skimmer opening.
2. **Do not over-tension the cover.** Over-tensioning of the cover is indicated by the formation of deep ripples in the strap reinforcing patches. Over-tensioning may also be indicated by scalloping (distortion) of the cover perimeter.
3. If the cover is in contact with the water, check the water level & backwash to reduce to the recommended level, if required. Water level can be determined by removing the skimmer lid.
4. Ensure that the cover is always fitted to the entire pool and that it is kept under sufficient tension to be high and dry above the water level. If the cover is not sufficiently tensioned, or is partially removed for prolonged periods (eg. for swimming or cleaning), it may be subjected to excessive billowing or wind loading which can cause tearing or premature wear.
5. The cover is constructed with reinforced straps, buckles and pavement anchors that are aligned with each seam to provide a strong matrix of support. Automotive inner tubes or pool cover pillows are not normally required, but they can be helpful to elevate the cover over larger spans.
6. Never use marine buoys or other hard or abrupt objects to elevate the cover. Such objects may puncture the cover or cause premature wear. Only soft, pliable flotation pillows or automotive inner tubes should be used.
7. If automotive, inner tubes or flotation pillows are to be used, they should only be inflated sufficiently to provide additional points of contact and they should not cause a noticeable bump under the cover. Additionally, any such floats should be tethered, to keep them properly in position.
8. Chlorine is normally consumed by ultraviolet sunlight (UV) and by reacting with leaves & debris in the pool. The Premium Leaf & Debris Cover reduces UV light by 85% and all debris will be eliminated from the pool. **Consequently, the need for chlorine is reduced by about 75%.**
9. For salt pools, the filter and chlorinator should be reduced to about 1 hour per day, to maintain the chlorine at the recommended level of 4ppm.
10. For chlorine pools, the administering of chlorine must be reduced by about 75%, from the uncovered pool dose.
11. Reduce the filtration time and/or chlorine dose at the time of fitting the cover. Then check the chlorine level after 2 weeks and again after 4 weeks. Adjust the dose, filtration time or chlorinator level, as required, to maintain the chlorine at the recommended level of 4ppm.
12. If the cover dips into the water for prolonged periods, its life will ultimately be compromised by pool chemicals. In extreme cases, the cover will be bleached out and may fail within 2 – 3 years.
13. **Chlorine intensity should be maintained between 1 & 3ppm, but must never exceed 5ppm with the cover fitted to the pool.**
14. Be sure to remove the cover if super chlorination or higher levels of chlorine are required.
15. The Premium Leaf & Debris Cover is not a safety cover and will not adequately support a child. The cover will support an occasional load of less than 8Kg from a small animal, such as a cat or small dog. Regular trafficking by pets will cause premature wear at the pool perimeter.
16. Before releasing the cover, use a blower to remove all leaves and debris from the top of the cover, as any loose material will fall into the pool. There is no need to wash or dry the cover. Simply fold, or stuff the cover into the storage bag provided. We recommend to hang the bag by the draw string to drip dry, and to store in a cool, dry place, away from chemicals and vermin when not in use.

We wish you every success with your pool cover purchase, which should provide ease of pool maintenance for a very long time.

Subject to proper use and care, your pool cover is warranted for 5 years against manufacturing defect or material failure. Please refer to our Premium Leaf & Debris Cover warranty for further details.

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