

# Above-Ground Pool Summer Heat Management Checklists

This printable checklist is based on the uploaded 2026 Above-Ground Pool Summer Heat Management guide. Use it to track pool cooling, chemical balance, filtration, and heat-wave maintenance.

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## Your Summer Chemical Checklist

- ■ Test water 2x weekly minimum
- ■ Test water daily during heat waves
- ■ Maintain Cyanuric Acid (CYA) at 30–50 ppm
- ■ Keep chlorine at 3–5 ppm
- ■ Increase chlorine to 5–7 ppm during heat waves
- ■ Shock pool after sunset only
- ■ Never shock pool during daytime
- ■ Monitor pH daily in extreme heat
- ■ Add algaecide weekly
- ■ Brush pool walls and floor weekly
- ■ Backwash filter 2x weekly in summer
- ■ Check for algae growth or cloudy water
- ■ Retest water 24 hours after shocking

## Above-Ground Pool Heat Management Checklist

### Daily Tasks (Heat Waves / Above 90°F)

- ■ Check pool water level
- ■ Fill water if below skimmer intake
- ■ Test chlorine and pH
- ■ Empty skimmer basket
- ■ Verify nighttime pump schedule
- ■ Record water temperature
- ■ Remove solar cover during extreme heat
- ■ Run aerator only at night or early morning
- ■ Inspect pool for visible algae

### Weekly Tasks

- ■ Test full chemical panel (chlorine, pH, alkalinity, CYA)

- ■ Brush pool walls and floor
- ■ Vacuum debris from pool bottom
- ■ Backwash or clean filter
- ■ Inspect pump, motor, and filter for overheating
- ■ Add preventative algaecide
- ■ Check aerator or water features
- ■ Review pump runtime schedule
- ■ Inspect shade structures or covers

## Monthly Tasks

- ■ Deep clean pool filter
- ■ Inspect liner for wrinkles, stretching, or tears
- ■ Review electricity and water usage costs
- ■ Adjust pump schedule based on seasonal temperatures
- ■ Calibrate pool thermometer
- ■ Inspect plumbing connections for leaks
- ■ Perform bucket test for evaporation vs leaks
- ■ Review cooling performance trends

## Heat Wave Emergency Checklist

- ■ Test chlorine, pH, alkalinity, and CYA immediately
- ■ Shock pool to 10 ppm chlorine
- ■ Brush all surfaces thoroughly
- ■ Run pump 16–24 hours continuously
- ■ Retest water after 24 hours
- ■ Limit swim sessions to 15–20 minutes if water exceeds 90°F
- ■ Keep swimmers hydrated
- ■ Close pool if severe algae appears

*Prepared from the 2026 expert-reviewed above-ground pool heat management guide.*