Winterizing/Closing Prep List

Water level for winterizing pools depends on the type of winter cover

- Tarp- Lower water 4" below the bottom of the skimmer face plate
- Safety/Mesh cover- Lower water 18-24" below skimmer face plate
- Auto-covers- Lower water 2" below the bottom of the skimmer face plate

Equipment that needs to be out at time of winterization by cover type

- Tarp- Check tarp for any holes or tears, check water bags for leaks, garden hose to fill water bags if NWP will be filling.
- Safety/Mesh cover- Check cover for any damage from mice or age and check springs for damage.
- Auto-cover- Make sure cover has power to switch and key is in switch/lock, make sure there are no leaks in the pool liner or the cover before closing (failure to do so can cause serious damage to the auto-cover), Aquador lids if used, cover pump is operating and removes water from the cover top

Other equipment needed out at time of closing

- Plugs and gizmos (if used)
- Any chemicals that needs to used up before the end of the season such as Chlorine, Algaecide, Stain and Scale, Metal Free, and non-toxic antifreeze if you are supplying (We will supply for an additional charge)

Things to do before NWP arrives to close the pool to keep cost down

- Raise the free chlorine level between 5ppm and 10ppm, adjust pH between 7.2 and 7.8, adjust TA between 80ppm and 120ppm
- Lower water to suggested level per winter cover type
- Remove any large debris from pool (leaves), equipment area, and deck (furniture, basketball hoops, volleyball nets, pool toys, etc.)
- Unlock any gates or doors we may need access to get to equipment
- Make sure auto-cover pump is on the cover removing water
- Make sure there is an electrical outlet with power available for use.

What NWP is going to do when winterizing the swimming pool

- Remove debris from pool if needed
- Lower water level
- Remove handrails, remove light and either sink it or set it on the deck depending on the winter cover
- Raise deck anchors for safety/mesh cover
- Replace and fill water tubes as needed
- Replace any return plates or return plugs that will not create a proper seal
- Blow out all lines and add non-toxic antifreeze as needed, install winter plugs
- Remove plugs from equipment and place in pump basket
- Remove pins from timers or disable automation controller
- Empty erosion feeder and leave the chlorine pucks out to dry by the equipment
- Test water and raise chlorine level if needed

- Remove ORP and pH probes from automation system and seal in salt solution if needed
- Turn power off to automation, pumps, heater, etc,
- Place winter cover on pool, replace any buckles or springs on safety/mesh covers, extract and replace any damaged brass anchors
- Make recommendations on any repairs that might be needed in the spring.

Rates for Winterizing (Closing) the swimming pool

All winterizations (closings) will be scheduled in accordance with the property location. The winterization (closing) appointment will be confirmed the day prior to the appointment, via phone call or email.

All winterizations (closings) are done on a time and materials basis:

- $60 Service Call Fee plus
- $60 Labor per hour, per technician, usually 2 technicians are needed for winterization (closing)
- Costs for any chemicals or parts that are used
- A minimum of a $60 service call fee, and $60 labor fee, will be incurred for winterizing (closing) the swimming pool

If for any reason you need to reschedule. Please give us a call the day before the appointment to reschedule the closing for a different date. This will make ensure there are no additional charges due to return trips.