



What To Expect During Your Above Ground Pool Build

Congratulations on your above ground pool purchase!

We look forward to making the installation of your new pool a positive experience. Most of us feel a little more confident about a project like this when we know what to expect. As with any outdoor construction project, unforeseen circumstances may occur - such as weather, scheduling issues, equipment malfunctions, ground conditions, etc. With the help of other above ground pool owners, we have compiled some information that we think you might find useful.

YOUR ABOVE GROUND POOL INSTALLATION WILL REQUIRE THE FOLLOWING FROM YOU:

1. Mark the desired location of the pool and equipment using flags or paint.
2. Make sure your Aloha yard sign is visible to traffic.
3. Order the necessary sand for the size of your pool (amounts are listed below). Your salesperson can offer direction with this process.
4. Check with your local codes office for any necessary permits or other requirements.
5. Arrange for installation of 110V electric at the site following completion of your pool. The number of outlets needed depends on the equipment that you purchase to go along with your pool.

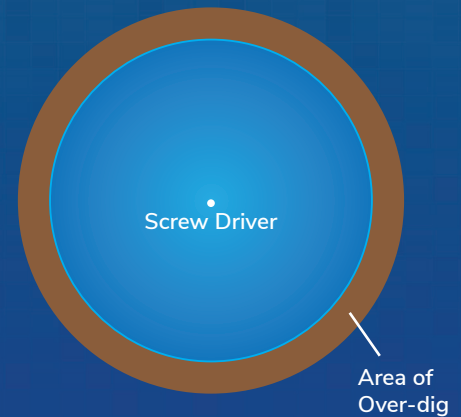
BEFORE THE INSTALLATION

Make sure the pool site is not within 15' of any overhead power lines, or within 10' of any trees. The pool cannot be built over any part of a septic system. PLEASE CHECK LOCAL CODES FOR MORE INFORMATION. An 811 call by you can also help with this process if you are unsure. You are responsible for making sure that the pool is not infringing on any property lines, easements, and that it isn't built over any utility lines. Note: Required distances from property lines vary in every community. This information can be obtained when you get any necessary permits for your pool construction.

Once you have chosen your site, place a screwdriver or similar object into the ground at the center of the pool. Using a measuring tape - measure out to half the diameter of your pool, plus an extra two feet. The extra two feet is for the "over-dig" of the pool site, as there will need to be a minimum of 2' around the pool to have room for proper installation. While holding the tape at pool center, pull it tight, walk the circumference of the pool to make sure the pool will fit, and mark it if you wish.

We will send you home with some flags and an Aloha Pools yard sign. One flag is marked "pool center" and should be placed as such; one other is marked "filter pad" - please place it where you would like your pool equipment to go. The final flag is marked "sand" and you should place it where you would like your sand to be placed when it is delivered. And speaking of sand, you will need to order the necessary sand for the size of your pool and arrange for delivery. Make sure to order fine mason sand for a smooth pool bottom.

Sand should be placed within 20' of the pool site, but not directly on the area to be excavated. And just so you know, we "over-order" Make sure that there is an 8' access path for excavation equipment, and please understand that Aloha Pools & Spas will not be responsible for damage to the yard, driveway, or any obstacles in the access path. Please expect a call or text from the contractor who will be leveling your site. He should check in with you prior to his arrival to make



Amount Of Sand Required

15'.....2.5 tons	27'.....5.5 tons
18'.....3.5 tons	30'.....6.0 tons
24'.....4.5 tons	33'.....6.5 tons

sure that you are expecting him; he also will verify that you have completed all the steps that we have discussed above. Included in your pool purchase is the cost of leveling a site that is up to twelve inches out of level. Cost for additional leveling is \$20 per inch, payable directly to the excavator at that time. Finally, place the Aloha sign in your front yard. It will help the construction crew locate your home!

INSTALLATION DAY

The foreman of the crew is encouraged to contact you the day prior to installation, usually via text message. (Sometimes plans change at the last minute so you might be contacted the morning of installation.) Your salesperson and the owners of the company will also be included on the text. Group text messaging gives you access to everyone who will be involved in the construction of your pool. Your questions and concerns can be addressed more quickly, and you are in the loop from the time we arrive until the pool is complete. You can even hang on to these numbers to use later in case you have a question about your pool!

AFTER INSTALLATION

- The homeowner has several responsibilities following installation.
1. Fill pool – Furnish water and fill the pool to the proper level (approximately 3/4 of the way up the skimmer opening) before starting the filter system.
 2. Install steps – Place the ladder or steps into the pool after filling with water. **(NOTE: We do not assemble or install the steps during installation.** We will deliver them to the site and leave them a few feet away from the pool.) It is the homeowner’s responsibility to put the steps in the water, as pools need to be filled before steps are installed.
 3. Grade, remove, spread, and/or backfill (not recommended to backfill over 12 inches) any excess dirt or sand left around the pool. Neither grading nor haul-off is included in our installation price.
 4. Install and use alarms and all other safety devices to comply with all safety regulations.

ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS

You must provide a 20 amp 110V power source for the filter system that is protected by a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter, or G.F.C.I. This service should be provided by a qualified electrician in accordance with state and local codes after the pool has been installed. This specifically includes the installation of a pool alarm in the state of Tennessee in accordance with Tennessee state codes. **Note: An extension cord does not meet electrical codes and will void the pump manufacturer's warranty.** **Schedule your electrical installation AFTER the pool is installed, not BEFORE.** Please communicate with your salesperson about the number of outlets necessary to power your equipment.

INSTALLATION PHOTOS

Below are some photos of installation and what to expect after the project is completed.



This is extra sand on the job site. It is more cost effective to order more sand and have some left over than to pay another delivery charge if you don't have enough. It will leave an ugly spot in your yard.



This picture shows where a homeowner asked us to move the dirt to the end of his property. This can be done by paying the excavator directly after the pool is installed. A local bobcat operator can be found to move dirt and grade your yard after the build for an affordable rate.



Some jobs have rock in the ground when we dig, so be aware that your yard could be the same.



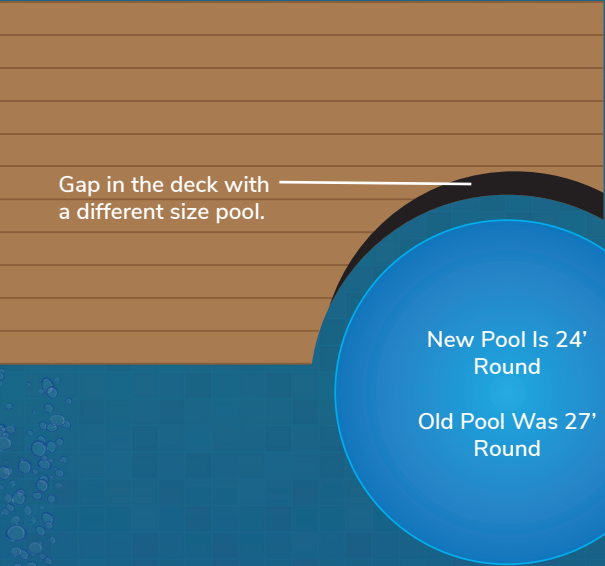
This pool had very little slope, but you can see how much dirt is left behind. It could look like this all the way around your pool.



This shows what your pump and filter might look like. Notice that there is some dirt on the ground where there used to be grass. This is common, and most homeowners plant grass seed after construction.

INSTALLATION WITH AN EXISTING DECK

If you have an existing deck around your pool, we can still install a new pool. The illustrations below show what your new pool may look like following installation. There will be gaps when replacing a pool of a different size. Even when replacing an identical size pool, pool models from different manufacturers often vary slightly in dimensions or number of uprights. This can result in the need for a carpenter to modify your deck before or after the installation.



FILLING INSTRUCTIONS

Pool liners are designed to stretch slightly and fit to the pool during filling. Weather conditions and air temperature directly affect the rate in which the filling can be completed. If the pool is filled at night – or too quickly during the day without sunlight reaching the pool – the liner can buckle the wall or pull down causing a sag in the wall pattern. These are not usually structural problems; however, they may be unattractive. Our installation guarantee does not cover the liner sags or wall buckles caused by improper filling. We have included detailed suggestions below to help prevent these issues from happening.

32° - 65° Filling

During the final stages of installation, the installers will begin to fill the pool to set the liner. They will remove any folds from the packaging and position the liner evenly around the wall and floor. After the installers have gone, continue filling the pool until the water depth is six inches. Please do not continue to fill the remainder of the pool for the rest of the day. On the following days, if weather allows, begin to add 2-3 inches of water daily until the water depth is 3/4 of the way up the skimmer.

Special Instructions:

1. Only add water on days that direct sunlight is reaching the pool.
2. Do not add more than three inches at a time unless the water is 65°. If it is above 65° and direct sunlight is reaching the pool, do not add more than six inches at a time.
3. Continue this process until you have a water depth of 24 inches. At that time, you may fill the remainder of the pool. Only add water on days when direct sunlight is reaching the pool.

65° & Warmer Filling

During the final stages of installation, the installers will begin to fill the pool to set the liner. They will remove the folds from the package and position the liner evenly around the wall and floor. After the installers have gone, continue filling the pool until direct sunlight is no longer reaching the pool. On the following day (if the sun allows), begin to add water as direct sunlight is reaching the pool each day until water depth is 3/4 of the way up the skimmer.

Special Instructions:

1. Only add water on days that have direct sunlight reaching the pool.
2. If the temperature is above 65° and direct sunlight is reaching the pool, you may continue filling the pool until direct sunlight is no longer reaching the pool.
3. Continue this process until you reach a total of 24 inches. At that time, you may fill the remainder of the pool.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Aloha Pools & Spas does not recommend "quick fill" methods, such as water tanker or fire hydrant. If these methods are the only source of filling available, please work with your salesperson to ensure that the installation and subsequent filling of your pool does not take place until the air temperature reaches 75° and direct sunlight is reaching the pool. Also, please request that the lowest level of water pressure be used during the filling.

We know you are excited about your new pool and the kids are ready to swim! But please – do not enter the pool &/or stand on the ladder/step system before the pool is completely full or the sand bottom will be compromised. (For example, you will have footprints, heel indentions, divots, etc.) Our installation guarantee does not cover these occurrences. In addition, liner damage caused by **NUTGRASS, MOLES, INSECTS, NEGLIGENCE OR ACTS OF GOD ARE NOT COVERED UNDER ANY WARRANTY.** Remember – the pool floor is made of sand so expect dents, divots, high/low spots and imperfections.

Now that your pool is full, bring an 8 oz. sample of your water in a clean container to Aloha Pools & Spas so that we can help you with start-up and balancing of your water. It is important to test your water weekly to maintain a clean and clear pool. If you have any questions about water care, one of our retail professionals will be glad to assist. Or you can send an email to info@alohapoolsusa.com and we will try to help. But remember that it's nearly impossible for us to diagnose pool water issues without having a water sample in hand.

YOU ARE NOW READY TO ENJOY YOUR NEW ABOVE GROUND POOL!



A FINAL WORD ABOUT SCHEDULING...

During the sales process, we tried to project an approximate installation date for you. These dates are scheduled several weeks in advance and can change due to factors such as weather, equipment failure, personnel issues, or unexpected delays on another job. (While it may be sunny and 75° at your house, it could be a wet mess at a job we're trying to finish.) It's frustrating to us, and we try to understand that it's frustrating for you, too. We'll be honest with you about delays, and we hope that by telling you this ahead of time, you will be more understanding if these things occur. One important goal that we have is that you are happy, and recommend us to your friends and family.

We would love to paint a beautiful picture of how perfectly your pool build will go, but after nearly fifty years, we know that most of them just don't happen that way. It is important to us is that once the project is complete, we are BOTH proud of your new pool.

We are honored that you have entrusted us to build your pool! We appreciate the opportunity and welcome your phone calls, feedback, advice, stock tips, etc. From the entire Aloha family – thank you, and welcome to our family.

If I can ever be of personal assistance, please feel free to contact me.

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