



POOL CHEMICAL SAFETY: STORAGE

PROTECT YOURSELF AND SWIMMERS FROM THE THOUSANDS OF PREVENTABLE INJURIES THAT OCCUR EACH YEAR

BEFORE YOU STORE POOL CHEMICALS

- Get trained in pool chemical safety (for example, during operator training course)
- Ask for help if you are NOT trained for specific tasks
- Read entire product label or Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) before storing
- Learn your pool's Emergency Chemical Spill Response Plan and practice steps (for example, evacuation)

STORING POOL CHEMICALS SAFELY

- Follow product label directions for chemical storage:
 - Dress for safety by wearing appropriate safety equipment (for example, safety goggles, gloves, and mask)
 - Separate incompatible chemicals (for example, acid and chlorine)
 - Lock chemicals up to protect people and animals
 - Keep chemicals dry and do not mix different chemicals (for example, different types of chlorine products)
 - Keep chemicals cool in a well-ventilated area away from direct sunlight
 - Keep chemicals closed in original, labeled container
 - Store liquid chemicals low to prevent accidental contact (for example, by leaking) with chemicals or substances stored below them

DISPOSAL OF POOL CHEMICAL CONTAINERS

- Follow product label directions for safe disposal; never reuse containers
 - Contact local or state hazardous materials agency for proper disposal procedures for pool chemicals in unlabeled containers

Always respond to pool chemical spills immediately. Follow your pool's Emergency Chemical Spill Response Plan, and be sure to contact the proper authorities and management.

Pool Address and Phone Number:

Emergency Response Phone Number:

Local Health Department Phone Number:

For more information about the safe storage of pool chemicals, check your pool safety plan or visit www.cdc.gov/healthyswimming

