



Tips for Changing Your Sand

HIGH MEDIA SAND FILTER TIPS

1. Determine the amount of sand you will need for your filter. This information is usually located on the front of your filter media.
This information is important to ensure proper filtration of your system.
If you cannot locate this information, please give us the name and size of your unit and we will be able to help you determine the amount of sand required.
2. **IMPORTANT:** Do not handle sand without gloves, be sure to wash thoroughly when finished changing your sand.
3. A wet-vac provides an excellent method for removing old sand.
4. **IMPORTANT:** Dispose of sand in a safe place. Children should never have access to this sand.
5. Rinse your laterals (system fingers, stem and unit with water and algaecide. Inspect while cleaning for any cracks or splits in the lateral fingers, replace any damaged laterals.

FILLING YOUR SAND FILTER

6. **IMPORTANT:** Wear gloves and do not inhale new silica sand.
7. Place a plastic cup or proper filter cover over the stem.
8. Fill bottom hollow (just over the laterals with water).
9. Application of sand should be applied in a 'salt & pepper' fashion as large amounts of sand in one area may cause damage to your laterals. Place filter head back into place and secure.

*It will take approximately a week to ten days for the new sand to settle and provide maximum filtration.

STAGES OF YOUR FILTRATION

This information is general in nature. Manufacturers filtering systems vary.

Terms:	Filter: <i>straining suspended particles from pool</i>
	Backwash: <i>cleaning a swimming pool filter, reversing the flow of water through it</i>
	Rinse/Whirlpool: <i>turning the sand in the system and helping it to compress before returning to filter</i>
	Waste: <i>Bypass the filtration discharges water from backwash hose</i>

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