

Hot Tub Chemical Checklist: Maintenance Made Simple

Quick Reference Guide

This checklist is designed to help you stay on top of your hot tub maintenance with ease. Tape it inside a cabinet door, stick it on the fridge, or keep it in your glove box for quick access. Perfect for both new and seasoned hot tub owners.

Core Chemicals to Keep On Hand

- Sanitizer (Chlorine or Bromine) – 3–5 ppm / 3–6 ppm
- pH Up & Down – Keep pH between 7.2–7.8
- Alkalinity Increaser – Maintain 80–120 ppm
- Calcium Hardness Increaser – Target 150–250 ppm
- Shock (Oxidizer) – Use weekly or after heavy use
- Clarifier – Use as needed for cloudy water
- Test Strips or Kit – Test 2–3 times weekly

Suggested Supply Amounts

- Sanitizer: 1–2 lbs or tablets/month
- pH Adjusters: 16 oz each
- Alkalinity Increaser: 2 lbs
- Calcium Hardness Increaser: 1–2 lbs
- Shock: 1–2 lbs/week
- Clarifier: 1 bottle
- Test Strips: 50–100 strips

Maintenance Schedule

2–3x Weekly:

Test water & adjust as needed

Weekly:

- Shock water
- Rinse filter

Monthly:

- Deep clean filter
- Test calcium & inspect cover

Every 3–4 Months:

- Drain, refill & clean spa
- Replace filter if worn

Annually:

Inspect pump, heater & components

Pro Tip: Mark open dates on bottles & store in a cool, dry place.



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