



# The Folsom Pool Owner's Seasonal Care Checklist

Owning a pool in Folsom comes with unique challenges — heat, wind, trees, and year-round usage. This seasonal checklist helps homeowners understand what their pool needs throughout the year to stay clean, safe, and efficient.

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## Spring (March–May): Setup & Stability

- Resume consistent weekly maintenance
- Balance water chemistry after winter rain dilution
- Inspect equipment for leaks, worn seals, or air in the system
- Clean filters to prepare for increased run time
- Address early algae before warmer temperatures accelerate growth

**Common mistake:** Waiting until water turns cloudy before taking action.

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## Summer (June–September): Protection & Prevention

- Maintain proper chlorine levels during extreme heat
- Increase brushing to prevent algae on steps and corners
- Monitor salt systems or chlorinators closely
- Check pool cleaner performance weekly
- Adjust run times to handle higher bather load

**Common mistake:** Under-chlorinating during heat waves, leading to algae outbreaks.

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## Fall (October–November): Cleanup & Transition

- Increase debris removal as leaves fall
- Reduce pump run times as temperatures cool
- Balance water to prevent scale or staining
- Inspect heaters and automation before winter
- Clean filters after heavy leaf season

**Common mistake:** Letting organic debris sit too long, consuming chlorine.

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## **Winter (December–February): Maintenance, Not Neglect**

- Continue regular service — pools don't "hibernate" in Folsom
- Monitor pH and alkalinity to protect plaster and equipment
- Clear debris promptly after storms
- Inspect freeze protection settings
- Prevent algae growth during mild winter stretches

**Common mistake:** Assuming cold water means no algae risk.

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### **Final Tip from Blue 22 Pools**

Consistent weekly care is always more cost-effective than recovery treatments. Most major pool problems begin as small, preventable issues.

If you're unsure whether your pool is being properly maintained, a professional evaluation can save you time, money, and frustration.