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SWIMMING POOL AND SPA MAINTENANCE AND DISCHARGE TIPS

Proper pool and spa maintenance protects the environment and the stability of our slopes and canyons. Conserve water and protect your property by correcting leaks or operational problems right away, especially if there is sudden loss of water. Pool chemicals can harm our natural creeks and waterways. Anything going into our storm or a drain that is not rainwater contributes to storm water pollution. Please follow these easy steps for proper pool maintenance:

- Water drained from a pool or spa in the City of Rolling Hills should be removed by tank truck. Swimming pool or spa water drained onto a street or canyon can cause soil saturation and lead to slope and canyon failures.
- Draining a spa or pool into a septic tank system is not allowed.
- Never backwash a filter into the street, storm drain or canyons.
- Dispose of leftover chemicals and paints through a licensed hazardous waste disposal provider.

TIPS on swimming pool discharges, should a resident choose to discharge water drained from a pool or spa onto the street.

- All chemicals are dissipated before draining a pool or spa. Do not drain pools within 5 days of adding chemicals. Chlorine residual in the discharge must not exceed 0.1 mg/L. Discharges are to be pH adjusted, if necessary, and be within the range of 6.5 and 8.5 standard units. Swimming pool test kits available at pool supply stores and online can be used to measure chlorine residual and pH. Water must not contain any detergents, washes, or algaecides, or any other chemicals including salts from pools commonly referred to as "salt water pools" in excess of applicable water quality objectives.
- Water containing copper-based algaecides is not allowed to be discharged to the streets or canyons.
- Cleanup chemical spills with absorbent; don't wash chemical spills down the drain.
- Fountain water containing dyes may not be discharged to the streets or canyons.