

## **Hot Tub Filters:**

No single factor is more essential for hot tub water quality than your filtration system. A soiled, clogged or worn-out spa filter will fail in its job of trapping contaminants. Old filters also put strain on your spa's pump and other equipment, which can waste energy dollars and reduce water circulation. Clean your filters with every water change and replace them annually to protect your warranty and reduce unnecessary service calls.

## **Rotate Your Spa Filters - Keep a Spare on Hand:**

Use the filter rotation method: when cleaning your dirty filter, swap it with a clean dry spare. With this system you'll never have to wait to use your spa, and your filters will last longer. Allowing filters to dry completely after cleaning will help eliminate odors and resident microorganisms. Clean filters save energy.

## **When Should Hot Tub Filters be Replaced:**

Filters are generally good for about a full year of usage. After that, they become less efficient in trapping foreign matter because of deterioration of the media. With the filter rotation method mentioned above it would mean you would replace a pair of cartridges every 2 years.

## **How Often Should I Clean my Filter Cartridge:**

Depending upon bather load, it is generally a good practice to rinse your filter cartridge every other week with fresh water from a garden hose to dislodge hair and other foreign matter. Every 3 to 4 months, and with each water change, your filter cartridge should be soaked in a filter-cleaning compound designed for this purpose. We recommend the rotation method: have two filters on hand, one in the spa and a clean, dry spare. Remove the dirty filter and rinse thoroughly, being careful to spray between the pleats. Soak the filter in a 5-gallon bucket of cleaning solution, overnight or according to the instructions on the package. You can now install your clean spare while the dirty one is soaking. After soaking, rinse again and set aside to dry completely. With this method, your filters will last much longer, and you will never have to wait to use your spa.