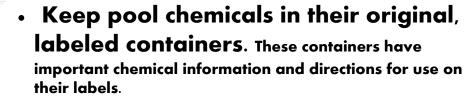
Pool Chemicals



Explosion risk



- Breathing difficulties from inhaling chlorine after leaning over a container while opening it up
- Burns from not washing hands after pool chemical use and then touching sensitive areas of skin
 - Vision loss and severe burns from mixing pool chemicals improperly or in the wrong order resulting in explosions



- Open pool chemical containers carefully. Do not lean over the container where the chemical could be inhaled or get on your face or in your eyes.
- Use caution when handling pool chemical products. Wear protective covering for your skin and eyes.

Routes of
exposure:
Inhalation
Skin
Eye
Ingestion

Chlorine, sanitizers, pH adjusters and some algaecides can cause chemical burns to the skin or lungs.

- Prepare pool chemicals only in a well ventilated area. The chemicals can release a dangerous gas.
- Read and follow all directions when using pool chemicals, especially keeping them dry. A small amount of water could cause dangerous gases to be released.
- Use caution and follow directions when mixing or diluting pool chemicals. Only mix chemicals if instructed to do so. Do not combine any "old" and "new" containers of chemicals.
- Store pool chemicals away from extreme temperatures, water, and up and away from children and pets, preferably somewhere locked.



If someone may have been poisoned by pool chemicals, call the West Virginia

Poison Center medical experts at

1-800-222-1222.

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