GENERAL INFORMATION

• Fill in as much information on the ‘Pool Survey Form’ as possible and send it in, along with the following:
  o Make a sketch of the pool showing the exact areas of concern. For example, mark an area with a number or symbol, then write a brief footnote explaining the concern/issue for each number or symbol.
• Photograph the overall pool from multiple angles and take close-ups photos of the concerns/issues that are exhibiting.
• Write down any information that you think might be helpful regarding specific jobsite, for example: type and age of finish, type of sanitizer, and water chemistry readings.
• Follow all appropriate precautions to protect against hazards such (but not limited too) chemical exposure, drowning, cuts, abrasions, and impact.

SHIPPING AND REPORTING

Please send all samples to:
NESPA
Attn: Winter Effects Task Force
6B South Gold Drive
Hamilton, NJ 08691
1. **For ‘Crystalline’ or ‘Plating Scale’ Deposits**

2.1. Prior to removing any specimens, take close-up photograph and make notation of the specific area on the sketch of the pool.

2.2. With a plastic container or plastic bag held beneath the area and firmly against the finish, scrape off the deposits with a razor blade, scraper, or spatula.

2.3. Seal the container or bag so the contents cannot be lost. Label the container with the jobsite name, address, date taken, and the number or symbol correlating to the same area on the sketch. Apply transparent scotch tape over the entire area of the specimen identification as a protection. Repeat the above sampling protocol, if necessary, to obtain a representative specimen of each concern/issue on the jobsite.

The same method will work for ‘Crystalline’ or ‘Plating Scale’ deposits beneath the water line, although it is more difficult to collect the specimen in the baggie or plastic container. Once specimens are captured, it will be necessary to carefully pour out the majority of the pool water prior to mailing the specimen. Do not attempt to remove all of the water, or to dry the specimen. Leaving a small of the pool water is preferred.

**For Collecting ‘Peeled’ or Damaged Interior Pool Finishes** simply remove a small portion of the material that already loose or easily dislodged, and collect in the same manner as above.

At this time, we are only testing the upper-surface damaged portion of the pool interior finish. Do not remove any portion of the pool’s interior finish that is not significantly damaged or deteriorated.

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