



PROTECTING THE OTTAWA RIVER WHEN DRAINING YOUR POOL OR HOT TUB

Summary steps are listed below; for additional information, [CLICK HERE](#)

Option 1: Send it to the sewage treatment plant:

Discharging chlorinated water from pools and hot tubs to the sanitary sewer is the best option; this allows for the water to be treated before it enters natural water bodies.

- If your swimming pool is not directly connected to the sanitary sewer, consider using other sanitary sewer connections in or around your home.
- If draining directly to a sanitary sewer is not feasible, please follow the steps in Option 2.

Option 2: Safe and responsible land irrigation:

When discharge to a sanitary sewer is not possible, water from pools and hot tubs may be disposed of by irrigation on your property by following the steps below:

1. Prior to irrigation, stop adding chemicals (chlorine, algaecides, etc.) to the water.
2. Hold the water in the uncovered pool or hot tub for at least two weeks to allow the chemicals to breakdown.
3. Prior to draining, use a pool water chemical test kit to measure the chemical levels of the pool water. Water should be near neutral (pH 6.5-8.5) and free of chlorine, bromine, and algaecides before draining/irrigating the water.
 - Once the water is free of added chemicals (i.e., chemicals are undetectable using a test kit), it is suitable for irrigation.
 - A longer holding period may be necessary if chemical levels are still high (detectable) after the initial two week holding period.

4. Once chemical levels are satisfactory, irrigate the water in an area where the water will not flow into a stream, into a storm sewer, or over a hard surface.
5. If a professional company provides this service, request that the company follow these best practices. This may mean scheduling an additional visit.

HAPPY LABOR DAY - MON. SEPT 2ND

Schedule Changes

- Village offices will be closed on Monday, Sept. 2nd for Labor Day.
- Refuse pick up delayed by 1 day (Mon. route on Tues., Tues. on Wed.)
- There will be no box pick ups due to short week
- Recycling schedule will be normal
- Yard waste pick up will be on Tuesday (last pick up Oct. 28th)

MEETING/EVENT DATES

Event	Date	Time	Location
Council Meeting	Mon. Aug. 12	7:30 PM	Council Chambers
Back to School Run	Sun. Aug. 18		Village
Zoning Commission	Wed. Aug 28	5:00 PM	Council Chambers
Farewell to Summer – Fireworks	Mon. Sept 2		Geresy Park
Fall Festival	Sat. Sept. 28		Geresy Park



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