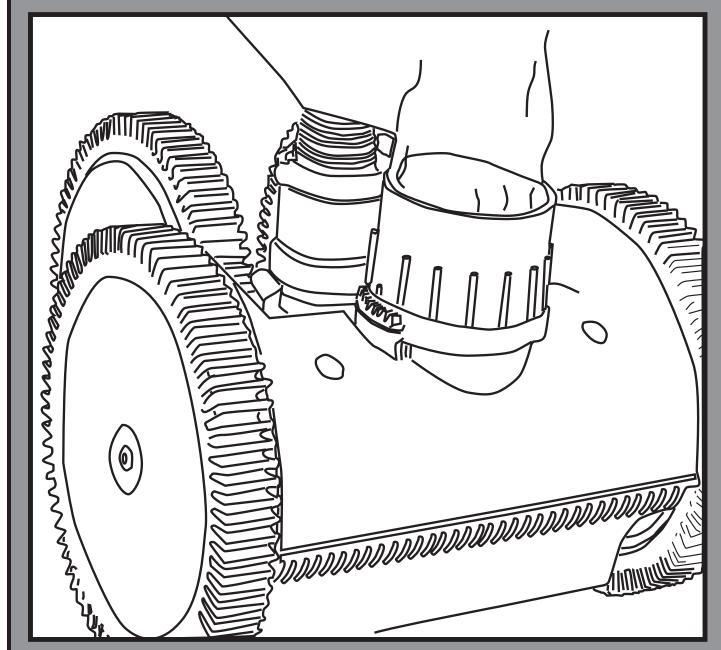
### The PoolCleaner TM



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### About your new PoolCleaner TM

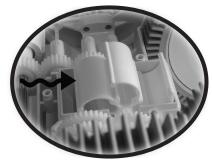
Thank you for choosing the POOL-CLEANER™. The first thing you will notice when you look at the POOLCLEANER™ is that it is of highest quality. The POOLCLEANER™ is robust and if maintained properly will result in many years of pool cleaning. We use only the highest quality materials to ensure the best pool cleaning products. The POOLCLEANER™ is proudly made in the USA. This family of cleaners has been invented, designed and built with years of experience in the pool industry. Every cleaner is tested to insure the finest quality.

The new Pressure POOLCLEANER™ uses your existing pump. There is no need for an extra booster pump. This means energy savings. Although it can ALSO be used on most existing booster pump systems. The bottom has the widest vacuum path (8") of any pressure-side cleaners thus far in the industry. This means more cleaning ability with out clogging.

### Some of the features that make THE POOLCLEANER ™ unique:

#### **SELF ADJUSTING TURBINE VANES**

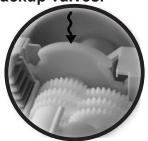
All the POOLCLEANER™ cleaners have the patented self-adjusting turbine, which maximizes the power from the water flow. This turbine is similar to a paddle wheel with blades that are adjustable.



This feature allows the POOLCLEANER™ to still move at low suction and low pressure. In addition the folding vanes of the turbine allow for the easy passage of larger debris, by moving out of the way.

#### STEERING SYSTEM

The Pressure POOLCLEANER ™ is the only pressure side cleaner with an internal programmed steering system, that causes the left wheels to periodically turn backwards, allowing the POOLCLEANER ™ to turn and then move into another direction. For the Pressure POOLCLEANER™ there are three different programmed turns ranging from 90 to 540 degrees and this allows the pressure POOLCLEANER™ to travel 12 to 14 ft. before it turns. The POOLCLEANER™ cleans more in the shallow end than any other cleaner. The POOLCLEANER™ has no problem with uneven surfaces or strange shapes. It won't stick in a corner, or get hung up by a main drain. There is no need for ineffective backup valves.



#### **ROBUST TIRE TREADS**

One look and you will see that the patented tire treads give the POOLCLEANER™ better climbing ability and obstacle maneuverability. The tires come with tread wear markers that show you when to replace your tires. The front tires of the POOLCLEANER™ have humps (raised treads) that allow the POOLCLEANER™ to overcome obstacles such as the main drain and uneven surfaces. Making the POOLCLEANER™ ideal for all pool surfaces and shapes.



#### **FOUR WHEEL DRIVE**

The Pressure POOLCLEANER ™ is a patented 4 wheel drive. What this means to you is that n combination with the patented tire treads the cleaner has the power to overcome obstacles that normally stop other cleaners.

#### **EXTRA LARGE DIRT BAG**

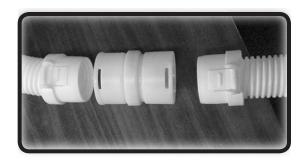
The Pressure POOLCLEANER ™ has the largest dirt bag currently on the market. This bag captures the dirt, leaves and other debris. The bag is easily removed and cleaned. The POOLCLEANER ™ dirt bag (patent pend.) has an internal sock that acts as a trap door by stopping debris from falling back once the Pressure POOLCLEANER™

is shut off.



#### **FAST and EASY SNAP SWIVELS**

These unique hose swivels (pat pend.) allow for fast and easy assembly and installation of your new Pressure POOLCLEANER™. The swivels snap to connect the 6 ft. hose sections. They prevent the hose from coiling, and leaking, allowing for the best possible performance from your POOLCLEANER™.



#### PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE

The Pressure POOLCLEANER ™ comes with an important pressure relief valve that regulates the pressure flow to the Pressure POOLCLEANER™. This relief valve regulates the pressure so as to not exceed the optimal pressure (12-15 PSI or 11-13 RPM). This will ensure the best possible performance from your Pressure POOLCLEANER™. It does so by opening to bypass water when necessary. Not using the Pressure Relief Valve may cause excessive wear and damage and hence will void the warranty.

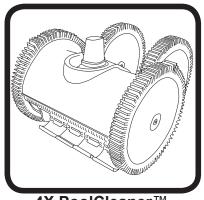


#### **ADJUSTABLE JET**

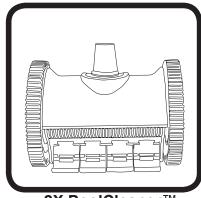
This jet on the back of your Pressure POOL-CLEANER ™ allows you to tune the forward motion. In most circumstances it will be pointed upward at 11 o'clock to allow for maximum traction.



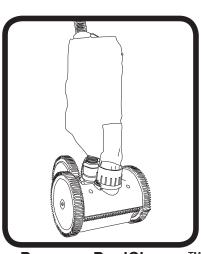




4X PoolCleaner™



2X PoolCleaner™



Pressure PoolCleaner™

# Included with your new PoolCleaner TM

#### Included components.

#### PRESSURE POOLCLEANER ™

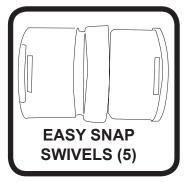
- 1 Pressure POOLCLEANER ™
- 1 Pressure Relief Valve
- 1 Wall Fitting Adaptor
- 6 Sections of special pressure hose
- 5 Easy Snap Swivels
- 6 Floats
- 1 Extra Large Pressure Dirt Bag

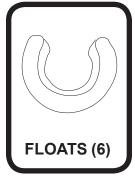


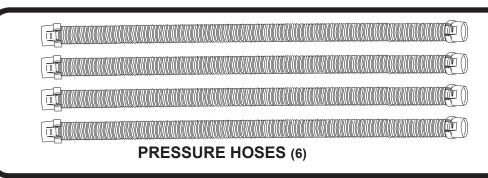












### Important Facts

The POOLCLEANER ™ should **NEVER** be used to remove plaster debris in new pools.

**ALWAYS** remove the POOLCLEANER ™ before you chemically shock your pool.

**ALWAYS** remove the POOLCLEANER ™ when swimmers enter the pool.

When removed from the pool store the POOLCLEANER ™ in a shaded safe area.

When removed from pool DO NOT coil the hose. IT MUST BE STORED STRAIGHT.

The POOLCLEANER ™ is **NOT** a toy and not intended for children.

Keep the POOLCLEANER ™ and hoses away from chewing pets.

**REMOVE** the POOLCLEANER ™ when performing backwash.

REMEMBER SAFETY FIRST.

# Installing your new PoolCleaner TM

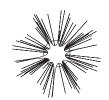
S T E P

#### Preparing your pool..

- 1. Manually clean/vacuum your pool.
- 2. Perform a backwash, clean your filter, skimmer baskets and pump basket.
- 3. Make sure your chemical balance is correct. If not, now is the time to correct it. If you chemically shock the pool, wait a day or two before continuing.

#### Get hoses ready...

1. Take the hoses and lay them out straight for a day in the sun to take out the coil.

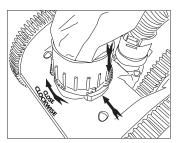


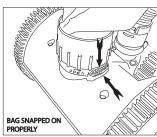
#### Attaching the extra large dirt bag to the POOLCLEANER™...

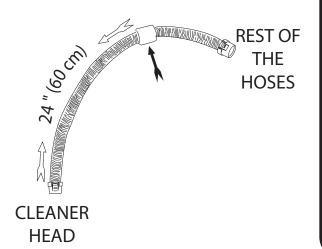
- 1. With the **Zipper facing the back** of the POOLCLEANER™ place the bag so that it is slightly off to the back of the hook on the cleaner (see illustration).
- 2. Twist clockwise until it snaps.

#### Connecting the hoses...

1. Take one length of hose and attach one of the floats 24" (60cm) from one end. The far end will be where the cleaner is attached, and the end closest to the float is where the rest of the hoses will attach.





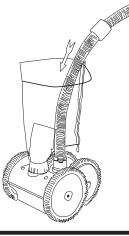


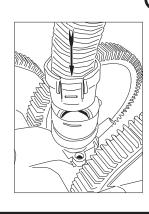
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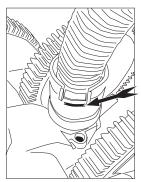
#### Attaching to the cleaner head...

1. Take the hose section (with the float attached) and pass it through the rope loop (on the bag), and attach the end farthest from the float to the cleaner head. Make sure the tabs and slots are lined up and that both sides "clip" into the slots properly!

NOTE: It may be necessary to reload the clips on the hoses. Pull out the tab on the hose coupling slightly to reload the clipping action.





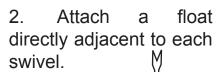


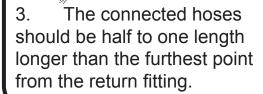
#### Connecting the hoses (cont'd)...

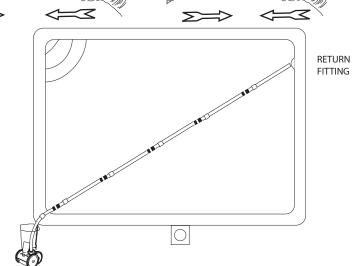
1. Connect the remaining 5 hose sections by connecting the hose couplings with the swivels. And attach one end to the hose on the cleaner. If necessary you may have to purchase additional hose sections and swivels. (Also see "Note" on previous step).

"CLICK"





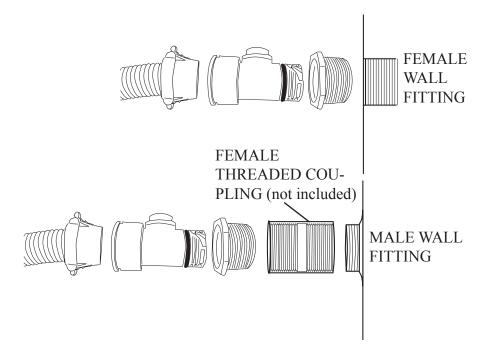




S T E P

#### Making the Connection...

- 1.MAKE SURE THE POWER SUPPLY TO YOUR PUMP IS OFF. SUCTION and PRESSURE CAN BE VERY DANGER-OUS!!!
- 2.Remove the return fitting by unscrewing the retaining ring and eyeball. Check to see if you have a 1 1/2" male or female wall fitting (see illustration). If it is male you will need to purchase a 1 1/2" female threaded coupling as it is not included.



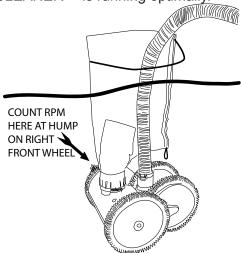
- 3. Connect the Relief Valve to the hose making sure that it snaps correctly.
- 4. Screw the Wall Fitting Adaptor into your wall fitting (use a 1 1/2" female coupling if you have a male fitting). And connect the Relief Valve by pushing on the Valve and rotating clockwise until it locks (Bayonet).
- 5. Switch the pump power back ON.

#### **ADJUSTING your POOLCLEANER™ Pressure Relief Valve**

#### **ADJUSTING WHEEL RPM (Optimal setting 11-14 RPM)**

For the POOLCLEANER™ to run optimally the revolutions per minute should be between 11 and 14 (**Note:** It will still clean as low as 8 RPM but will **NOT** climb walls).

While the POOLCLEANER™ is running take it by the hose and hold the POOLCLEANER™ just below the water. (KEEP THE CLEANER BELOW THE WATER LEVEL or else it will spray water). Now count the number of revolutions made by the RIGHT FRONT WHEEL per minute by using the hump (raised treads) as your marker. If it is between 11 and 14 RPM you are done with step 5 and your POOLCLEANER™ is running optimally.



If it is above or below the ideal range, skip to the next page to determine your plumbing style. Then check here to see what to adjust.

#### **Separate System:**

**Above 14 RPM:** Use a control valve on the exit side of the pump to reduce the flow or use a pump with a lower flow rate.

**Below 11 RPM:** Eliminate any restrictions, increase the size of pipe fittings and/or use a pump with a higher flow rate.

#### **Existing Booster Pump:**

**Above 14 RPM:** Use a control valve on the exit side of the pump to reduce the flow or use a pump with a lower flow rate.

**Below 11 RPM:** Eliminate any restrictions, increase the size of pipe fittings and/or use a pump with a higher flow rate.

#### Pump attached to Filter with a 3-Way Valve:

**Above 14 RPM:** Adjust your three-way away from the POOLCLEANER™ until the RPM drops below 14.

**Below 11 RPM**: Adjust your three-way toward (so more water flows to the cleaner) the POOL-CLEANER™ until the RPM gets to 14.

#### Pump attached to Filter with NO 3-Way Valve:

**Above 14 RPM:** Install nozzles with larger orifice sizes in the remaining return fittings thereby reducing flow to the cleaner. Continue to increase nozzle sizes until you are below 15 RPM.

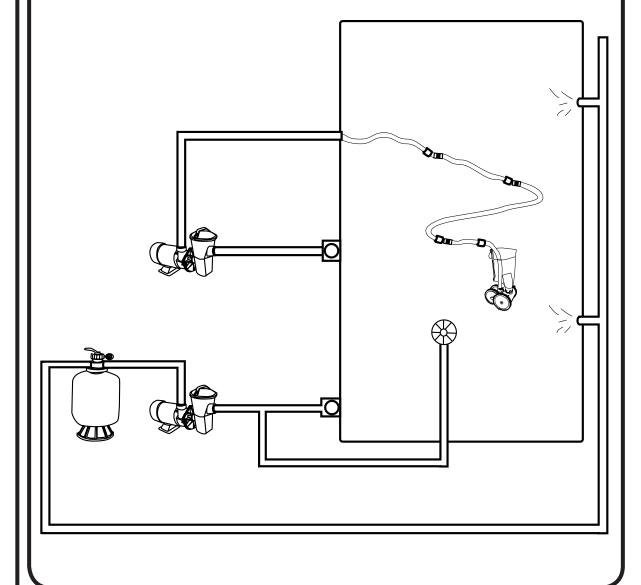
**Below 11 RPM:** Install nozzles with smaller orifice sizes in the remaining return fittings thereby increasing flow to the cleaner. Continue to decrease nozzle sizes until you are above 11 RPM.

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#### ADJUSTING your POOLCLEANER™ Pressure Relief Valve CONT'D

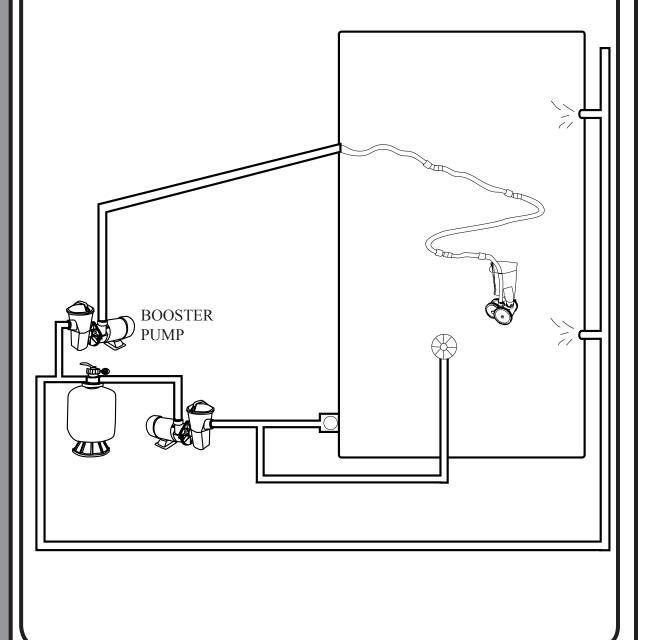
In general there are 4 plumbing styles that will determine whether or not you need to make any adjustments.

1. The First Plumbing Style: Separate System
This is when you use a separate pump and plumbing that is separate
from your pools filtration system.

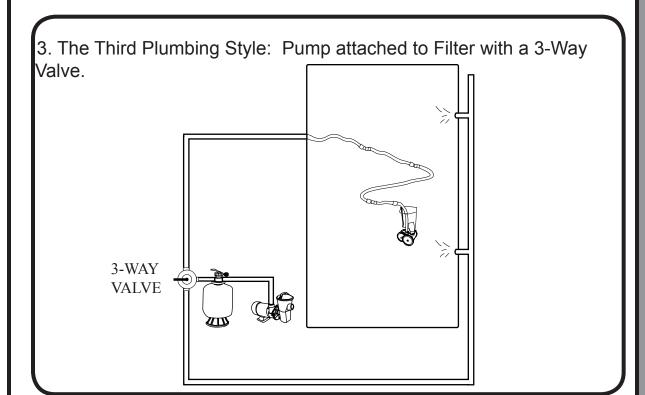


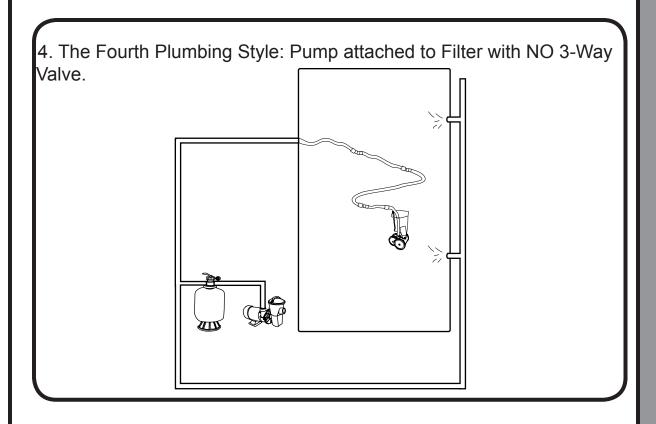
#### ADJUSTING your POOLCLEANER™ Pressure Relief Valve CONT'D

2. The Second Plumbing Style: Existing Booster Pump
This is when you use a separate pump and which is attached from your
pools filtration system.



#### ADJUSTING your POOLCLEANER™ Pressure Relief Valve CONT'D





# SERVICING YOUR POOLCLEANER<sup>TM</sup> (REMOVAL OF OBSTRUCTION OR TURBINE VANE REPLACEMENT)

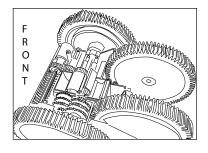
#### BEFORE YOU DO ANYTHING, TURN THE PUMP OFF.

Remove the POOL-CLEANER™ from the pool. Place the hoses straight. Separate the POOL-CLEANER™ from the hose.

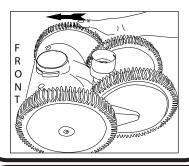


If need be remove the vanes by sliding them out horizontally. Should there be any obstruction remove it.

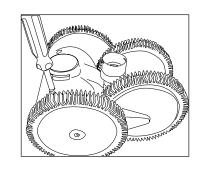
When you reinsert the vanes make sure that they fold forward, toward the front of the cleaner (the grill). Also make sure that you don't insert the worn side of the vanes into the turbine hub as this would cause them to fall out.



First we will check to see if anything is clogged inside the POOL-CLEANER™. Rotate the RIGHT FRONT wheel forward (the grill is the front). If it won't move there is an obstruction. If it moves smoothly there probably is no obstruction.



Place the cleaner on a work surface.
You will need a Phillips screwdriver. Remove the four screws that hold the Shroud (Top Cover). Remove the Shroud. Set the screws and Top aside.



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Visually inspect the rest of the cleaner, removing any debris that may be in the gears, drive shafts etc. BEFORE PLACING THE SHROUD BACK ON REPEAT STEP 2 (turn the right wheel) to make sure the POOLCLEANER™ runs smoothly. If it doesn't turn you may have replaced the vanes incorrectly. Make sure the nozzle and partition are in correctly! Place the Shroud back onto the POOLCLEANER™ making sure its on correctly. Drop the four screws into the screw holes and secure.

### SERVICING YOUR POOLCLEANER<sup>TM</sup>

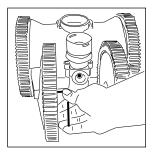
### (CHANGING TIRES ON YOUR POOLCLEANER)

### BEFORE YOU DO ANYTHING, TURN THE PUMP **OFF**. SUCTION CAN BE DANGEROUS!!!

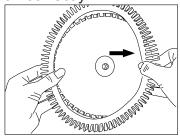
Remove the POOL-CLEANER™ from the pool. Place the hoses straight. Separate the POOLCLEANER™ from the hose.



**BACK TIRES** remove the Wheel Hubs with a 5/32" or 4mm allen wrench turning the wrench counterclockwise.

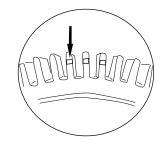


Once off, fold the tire off the Wheel Hub (step 3 above). To replace stretch the tire over the Wheel Hub (starting from one side and folding it back on). Make sure the tire is on correctly.



If need be do this closer to your body for better leverage.

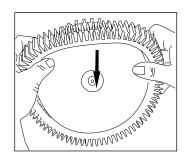
The tires must be replaced when the tires are worn down to the tread wear indicators!



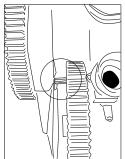
The front tires
ALWAYS have
HUMPS (raised treads) The
back tires DO NOT have
humps!

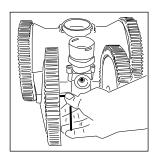
Place the cleaner on a work surface.

TO REMOVE THE POOLCLEANER™ FRONT TIRES, use only your hands (other objects may damage the POOLCLEANER™) simply fold the tire off from top to bottom.



Place the bolt through the Wheel Hub line it up with the threaded hole, making sure the gear protruding from the POOLCLEANER™ engages with the gears on the Wheel Hub. Tighten bolt with Allen wrench clockwise.





Rotate the right front tire forward to ensure that it moves smoothly. If not you fastened the wheel hub incorrectly.

### Troubleshooting your PoolCleaner TM

### THE PoolCleaner ™ DOES NOT MOVE

1. The pump may be turned off	-Make sure it is turned on.
2. The pump may not be primed	-Make sure pump is primed and check for leaks in the system.
3. There could be a problem or obstruction somewhere in the system	-Clean the filter (backwash), clean the pump basket, make sure the vacuum hose is free from debris, check if pump impeller is blocked (See your pump manual).
4. Obstruction in the PoolCleaner TM itself	-(See page 11 for detailed instructions).

### THE PoolCleaner ™ MOVES TOO SLOW

1. There could be a problem	-Clean the filter (backwash), clean the
or obstruction somewhere in the	pump basket , make sure the vacuum
system.	hose is free from debris, check if pump
	impeller is blocked (see pump manual)
	Check if vacuum hoses are leaking and if
	the system fittings are leaking. Make sure
	nothing is sucking air.
2. Low wheel RPM (insufficient	-(See page 8 -10 to adjust RPM) After
flow)	adjusting, if it is still below 8 RPM your
	pump is not strong enough (the Pool-
	Cleaner™ will still move and clean but
	won't go up the wall). At such low flow
	most other cleaners won't work at all.
3. Obstruction in the PoolCleaner TM	-(See page 11 for detailed instructions on
itself	removal of debris).

### THE RIGHT WHEEL WILL NOT TURN WHEN ROTATED BY HAND.

1. There could be an obstruction in the PoolCleaner TM. Either in the Turbine Vanes or in the Gearing.

-Remove any obstruction (See pg 11)

# THE LOOPS IN THE HOSES WON'T COME OUT. (Hoses won't straighten)

1. The hoses must have been stored in a coiled position.

- Lay them STRAIGHT in the sunlight. Next time store them straight! If that doesn't work, replace that section of hose.

# THE PoolCleaner ™ DOESN'T CLEAN THE ENTIRE POOL

ENTIRE POOL	
1. The hose is too short	-The hoses must be half to one section longer than the farthest point from attachment. (See pg 6)
2. Pool Return fittings may be pushing the PoolCleaner TM hoses away.	- Make sure the other return fittings are pointed DOWN.
3. The Float may be in the wrong position.	-The Float should be 24" (60cm) from the cleaner (See pg 5)

# THE PoolCleaner ™ WON'T CLIMB THE WALL

- 1. See "moves too slow" (See pg 14) and "doesn't clean entire pool" (See pg 15).
- 2. The Float needs to be adjusted.

Note: It is NOT imperative for a cleaner to clean the wall.

For the most part make sure the Float is 24" (60cm) away from the cleaner (See pg 5). But it may be necessary to adjust it by twisting the Float away from the cleaner to improve climbing. Other factors may be at work like water too shallow, return fittings not pointed down, hoses too short, algae etc.

# THE PoolCleaner ™ FALLS ON ITS SIDE AND TAKES TOO LONG TO RECOVER

- 1. The hoses may be too short or Float may be in wrong position.
- Adjust hose to be 24" (60cm) from the cleaner. Other factors may be at work like water too shallow, return fittings not pointed down, hoses too short algae etc.

# THE PoolCleaner ™ CLIMBS THE WALL TOO MUCH or IT CLIMBS OUT.

1. The Tire treads may be worn hence increasing suction under the machine.

-Replace the Tires

Note: The Pressure Relief Valve when used correctly should regulate the flow to the cleaner eliminating too much pressure and hence high RPM and too much climbing.

# SPARE PARTS FOR THE POOLCLEANER TM



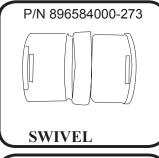




















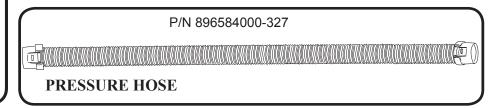












#### **Limited Warranty**

This limited Warranty is only valid if the Warranty Card has been filled out and returned with proof of purchase within allotted time period. This limited Warranty is extended to the original purchaser (consumer) from the manufacturer of The PoolCleaner TM, POOLVERGNUEGEN, 361 Sutton Place, Santa Rosa, CA 95407, USA.

POOLVERGNUEGEN warrants this cleaner to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of one year from the original date of purchase, subject to all the following conditions and exclusions.

- 1. This limited warranty excludes and does not cover all parts that are subject to normal wear and tear such as, but not limited to any moving parts, tires, skirts, turbine vanes, bypass valve, steering cam, gears, and bearings, which are warranted free from defects when shipped from POOLVERGNUEGEN.
- 2. This limited warranty is for the replacement of alleged defective parts during the term of the warranty; owner may ship the product by prepaid freight to POOLVERGNUEGEN (361 Sutton Place, Santa Rosa, CA 95407). Enclose a letter including the serial number, date of purchase, name telephone number and address of owner and a description of the problem. POOLVERGNUEGEN, upon determination and at our option, will repair and return to the owner all defective parts that are covered by this warranty. Any parts not covered by this limited warranty will be returned to owner freight collect. All charges or expenses for freight to and from the factory, removal and reinstallation of the product are the responsibility of the owner (purchaser). This limited warranty is for the replacement of defective parts, and does not cover any labor charges, packing, handling or shipping.
- 3. This Limited Warranty is only extended to the original purchaser (consumer) and only during the time in which the original purchaser occupies the premises where the cleaner was originally installed. It does not apply to any subsequent purchasers or recipients of the cleaner.
- 4. Certain parts are subject to wear during usage (such as tires, skirts, vanes, etc). This limited warranty does not include the replacement of such parts due to normal wear, cosmetic situations including but not limited to: discoloration or fading due to sunlight or chemicals, scratches, scuffs etc.
- 5. This limited warranty does not cover any loss, damage, injury, or malfunction of the equipment due to the failure to properly maintain and or operate the Cleaner, or alteration of the equipment, tampering, and Act of God, abuse, misuse, negligence, omissions.
- 6. This cleaner is intended for a properly designed and maintained swimming pool. The limited warranty does not cover pools that have a defective design, are improperly maintained, and are inappropriate for the Cleaner's operation.
- 7. This limited warranty does not cover damage or injury from improper installation, pump running dry, damage due to loss of prime or plugged pipes.
- 8. This limited warranty does not cover any change in appearance, damage, malfunction due to chemical reactions.
- 9. POOLVERGNUEGEN is not responsible for any loss of time, inconvenience or any consequential expenses such as telephone calls, labor etc unless required by law.
- 10. This limited warranty is only valid in the USA and Canada.
- 11. This limited warranty is in lieu or any other warranties express or implied, including the warranties of merchantability or fitness. Any such implied warranty imposed by state consumer law is limited in duration to one (1) year from date of purchase.

No distributor, dealer or representative has any authority to make any warranties express or implied concerning The PoolCleaner<sup>TM</sup> except as contained herein. Unless warranty card has been received by POOLVERGNUEGEN, POOLVERGNUEGEN reserves the right to refuse repair service or to honor warranty.