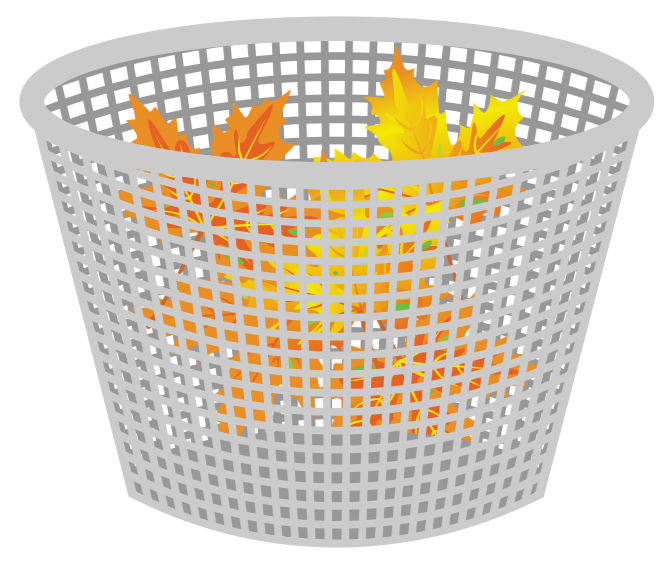


# POOL CARE CHEAT SHEET

## Circulation



### Empty Skimmer Baskets

Keep the skimmer and pump basket(s) clear. This improves water flow to the filter system.

### Run The Filter & Pump

Run the system for 8-12 hours a day. The longer the better.

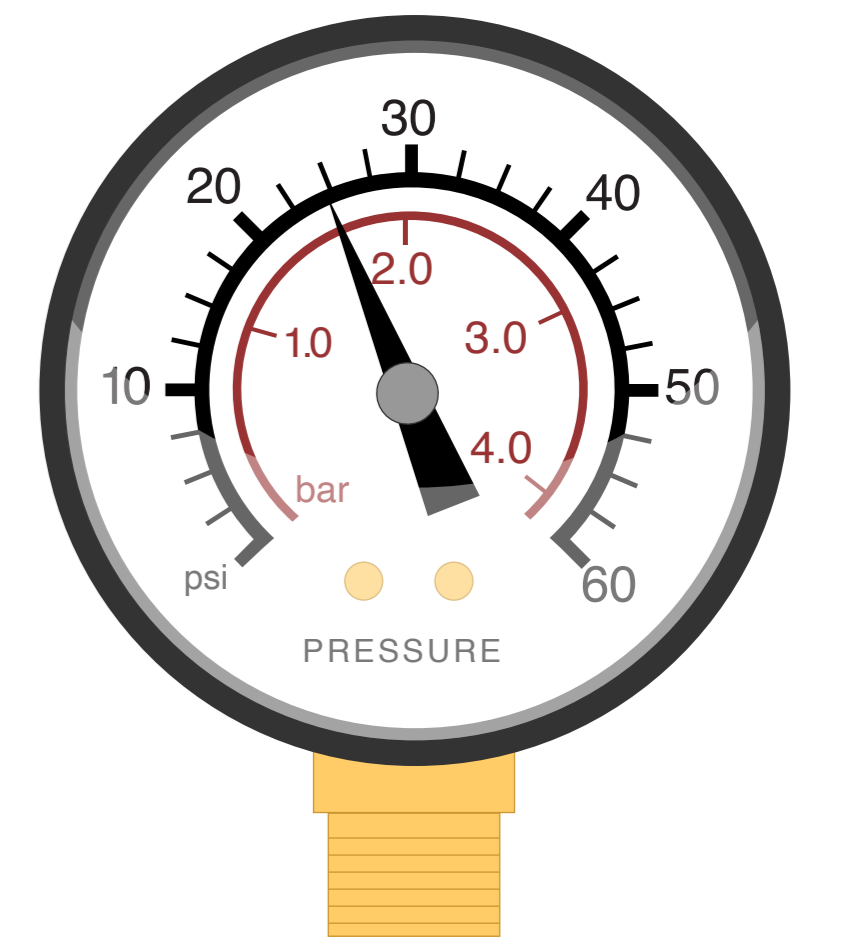
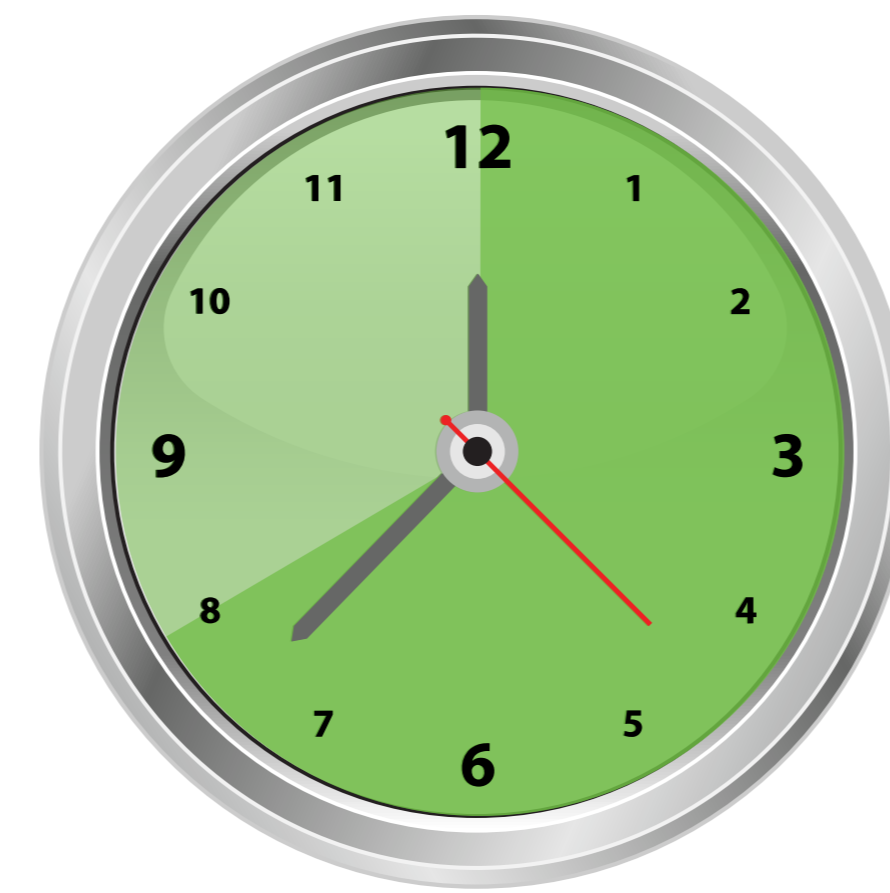
### Monitor Filter Pressure

Filter pressure is usually 10-20 PSI. Backwash (or clean) when it's up 10 PSI.



### Adjust The Return Jets

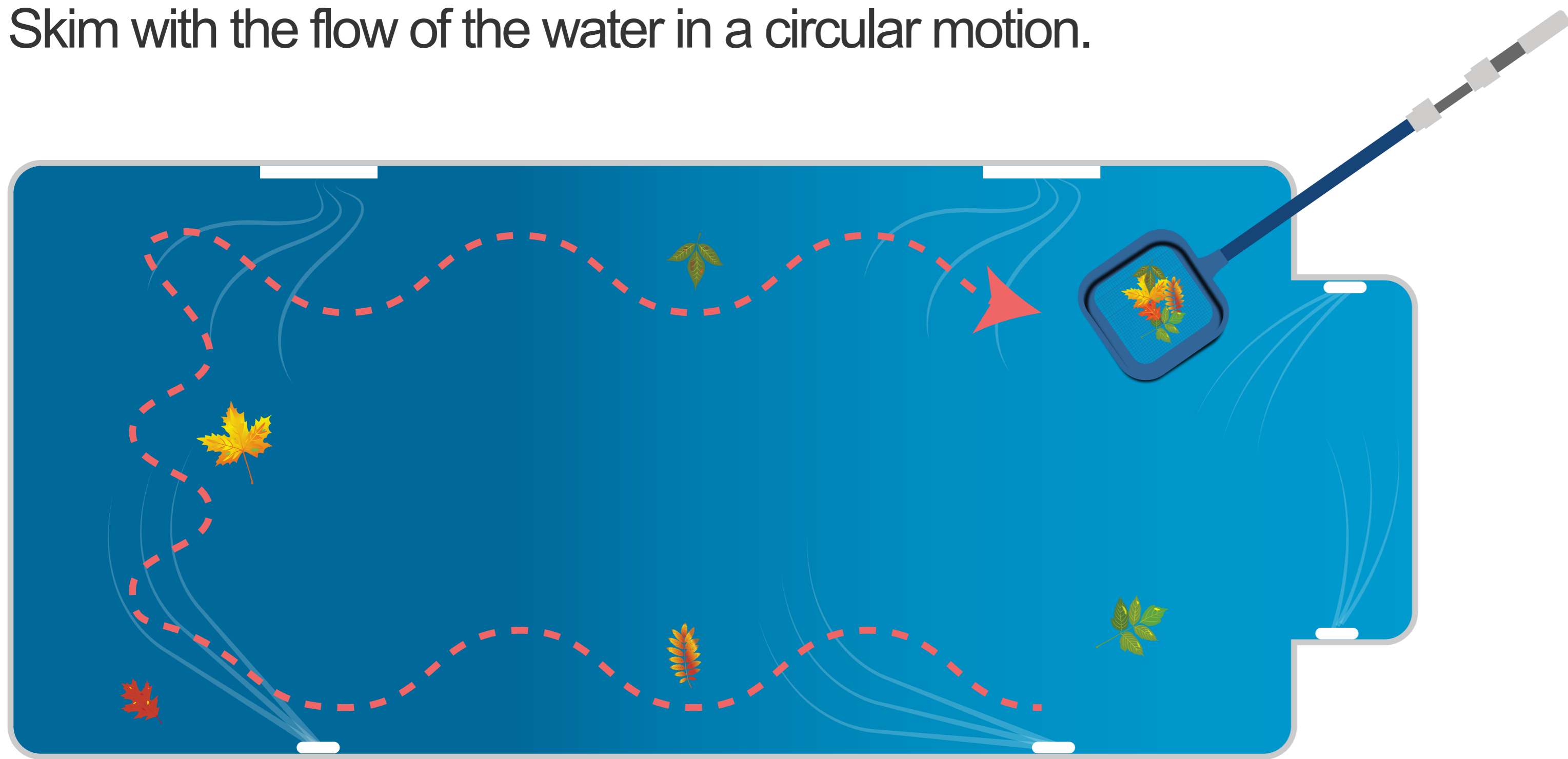
Angle down and point them all in the same direction. This pushes debris to the surface for the skimmer(s). It also helps mix in chemicals.



## Cleaning

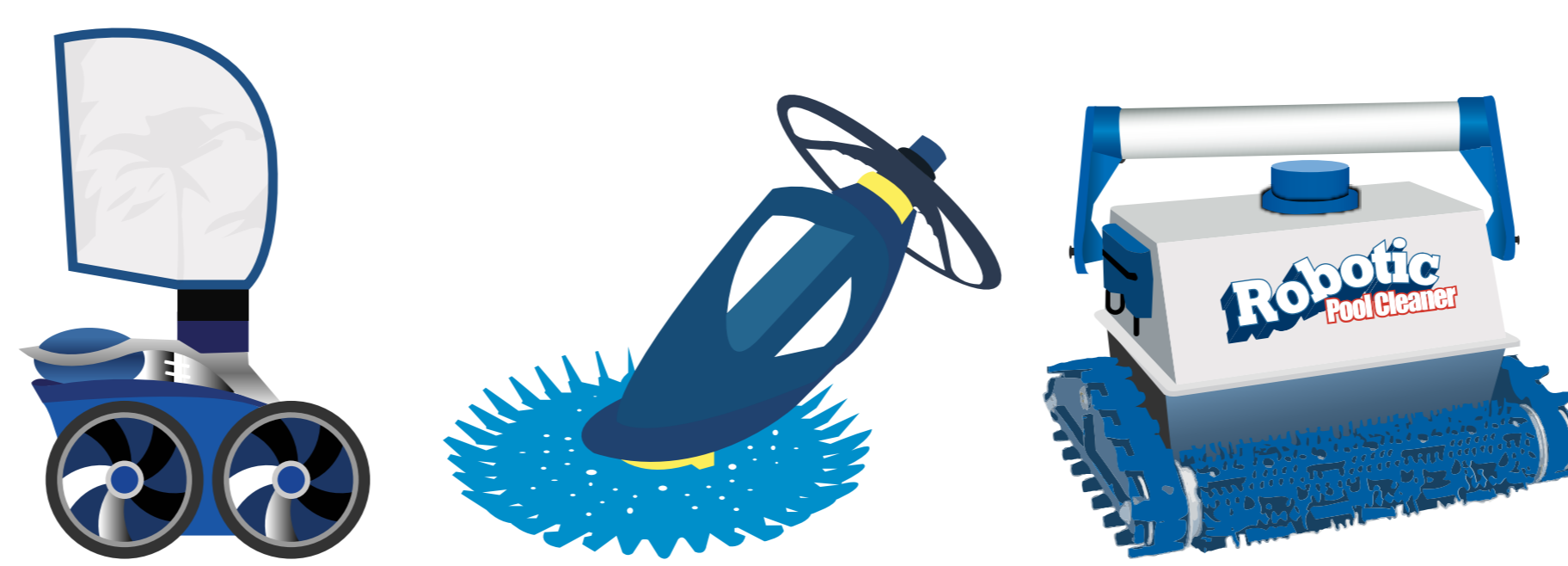
### 1. Skim The Surface Daily

This stops debris from sinking to the bottom and less to vacuum. Skim with the flow of the water in a circular motion.



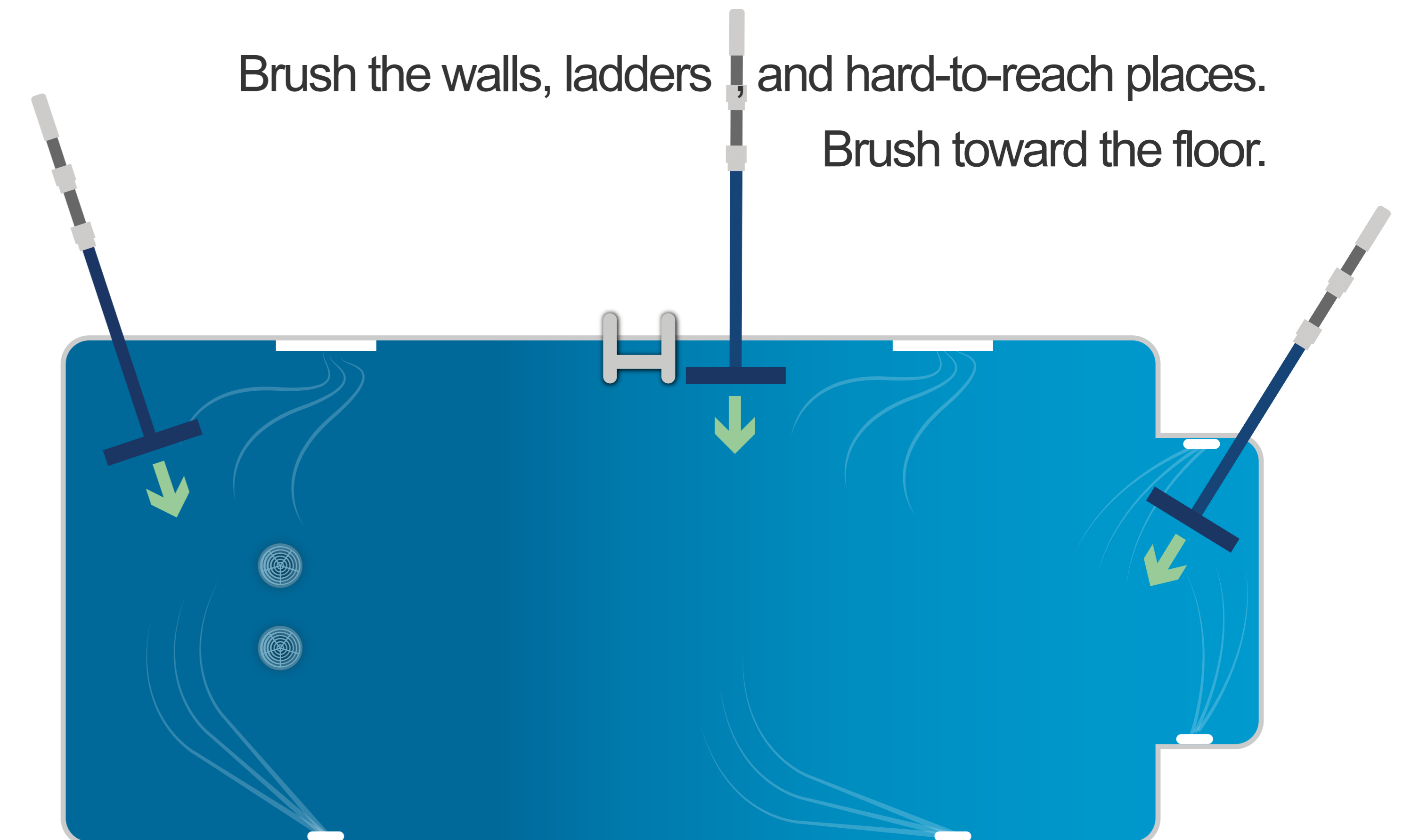
### 2. Vacuum Weekly

Vacuums help improve water circulation and keep the floor of the pool clean. Invest in an automatic pool cleaner to make this process easy and efficient.



### 3. Brush Twice a Week

Brush the walls, ladders and hard-to-reach places. Brush toward the floor.



## Chemistry

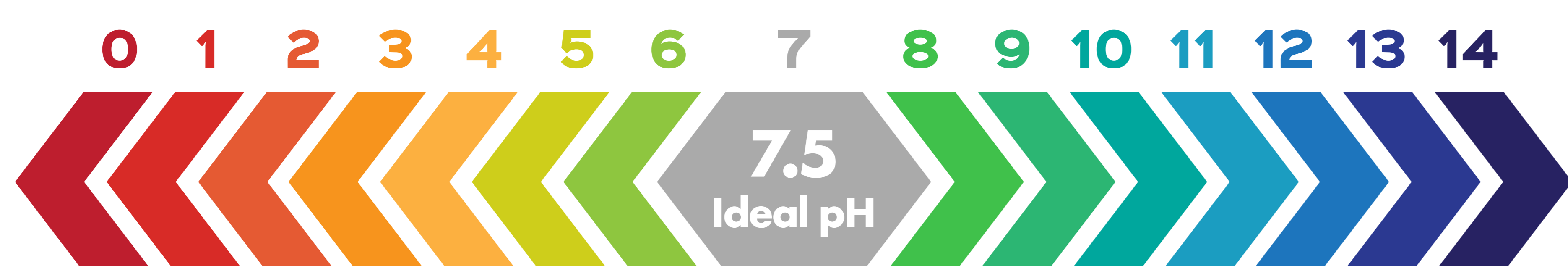
### 1. Test The Water Weekly

Using test strips or a liquid test kit to test the water. Check for pH, Alkalinity, and sanitizer levels. Add chemicals if needed.



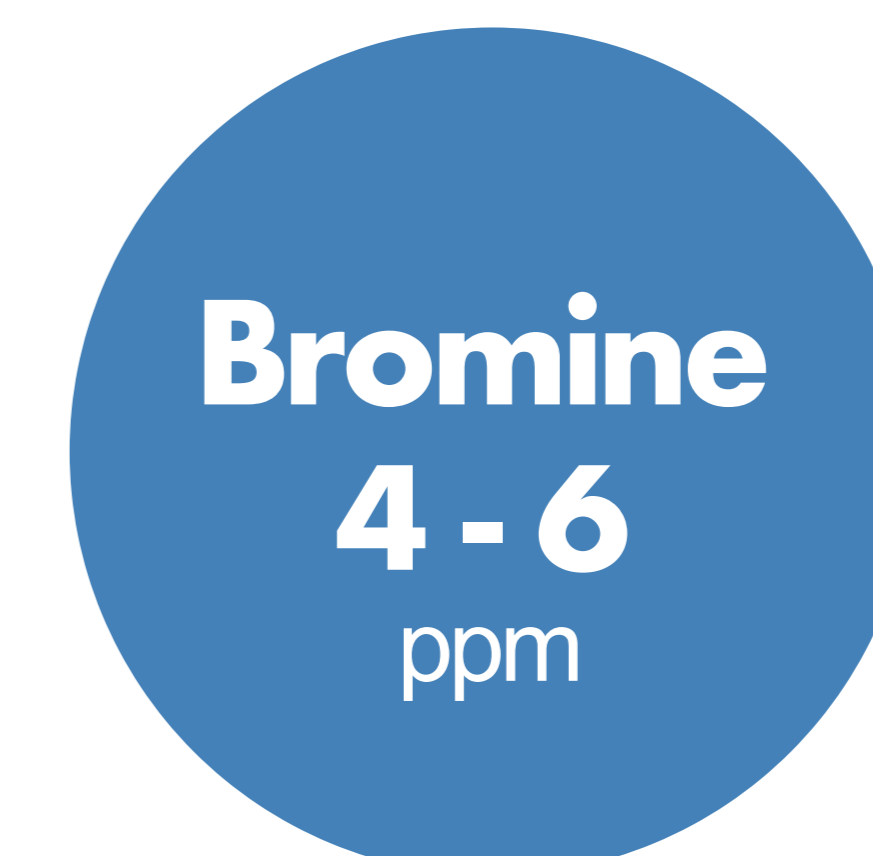
### 2. Balance The Water

First, adjust alkalinity with alkalinity increaser (baking soda). Then, test the water again to see if still pH needs adjusting. Use pH increaser or decrease to adjust pH to the ideal range.



### 3. Add Sanitizer Weekly

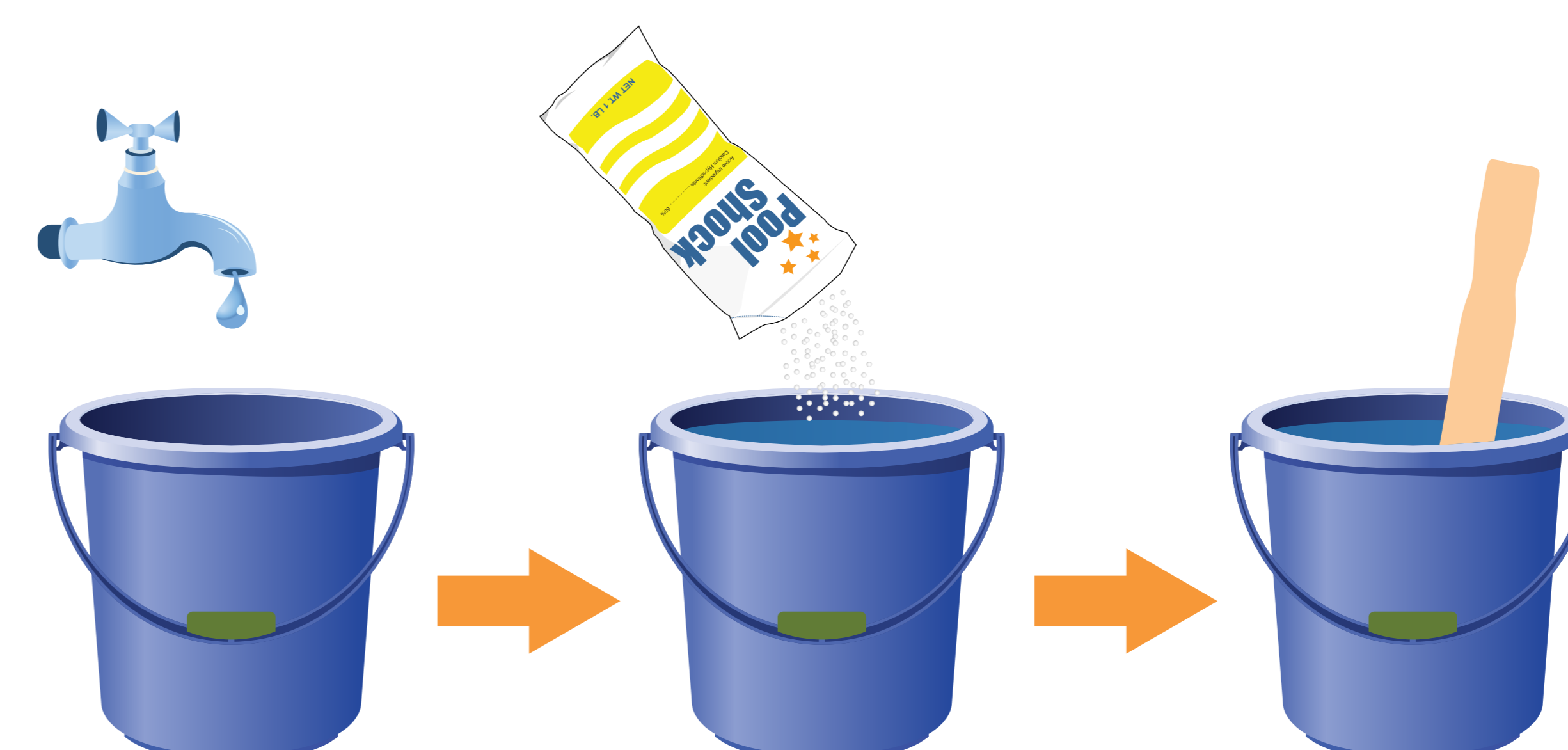
Add the proper amount of sanitizer needed to achieve the ideal level.



Also true for saltwater pools.

### 4. Shock Every 1 - 2 Weeks

Shock your pool with the proper amount at night. Run the pool for at least 8 hours.



1. Fill bucket with water.
2. Add shock slowly.
3. Stir slowly to dissolve.
4. Pour around pool.
5. Run filter overnight.
6. Test water.