

Use Pool Water Wisely, too!

■ **Backwash pool filters only when necessary.** If a timer controls the backwash, check and adjust the frequency of the cycle to ensure optimal efficiency. Backwashed water also goes into our sewer system and must be treated, thereby adding to the burden on the treatment facilities, as well.

■ **During the months where you may heat your pool, reduce the temperature if possible, particularly when the pool is not in use.** A pool cover will help reduce evaporation and will also help hold the temperature.

■ **Limit the frequency of pool refilling.** Only refill entirely when required for water quality or for maintenance (e.g., resurfacing) reasons.

■ **When a crowd will be swimming, lower the pool's water level as much as practical to reduce the amount of water splashed out.**

■ **Check the pool regularly for cracks and leaks and make repairs promptly.** If the water level drops more than an inch in one day, investigate for problems.

■ **Use a pool vacuum that recycles the water when cleaning the pool.**

