

THE PERILS OF POOL MAINTENANCE

For many of us, while owning a swimming pool is a dream come true, maintaining it can be a bit of a nightmare. But it has to be done.

If you don't treat the water, you're going to expose bathers to all kinds of health risks. So what are your options?

You could do what our parents did and carry on dumping chlorine and other chemicals into the pool. Carry on schlepping to the pool store, hauling those heavy drums of hazardous chemicals home and find a safe place to store them where the kids or the pets won't find them. Carry on running the risk of causing an explosion if you mix them up wrong, turning the water in your pool into a toxic soup of chloramines, having to take a shower both before and after you swim. Carry on putting up with red eyes, irritated nasal passages, damaged hair, increasing the chances of triggering asthma attacks especially in young children. Carry on polluting the environment.

OR you could do what the majority of Australian swimming pool owners have opted for and install the salt chlorinator. While it is less hassle than adding chlorine, there are problems associated with salt pools. Salt is highly corrosive.

Because of the quantities required for effective sanitation, longterm use is likely to lead to damage to your pool surrounds, your equipment, garden furniture and the garden itself. Add to this the high costs of running the pump for 8 hours or more a day to ensure the system will work and you might want to look for a better alternative.



“We have had the ES3 system for 3 years now and have been **very pleased** with its performance. **We love** that we no longer need chlorine or salt in the pool and it has stayed **crystal clear** and easy to manage even through our West Australian heat waves.”