

POOL COVERS, INC.
SEVEN YEAR LIMITED FABRIC WARRANTY
(Pro-rata during the fourth through seventh years)

Pool Covers, Inc. warrants that the pool cover fabric, when installed and operated strictly as set forth in the Owner's Manual issued by *Pool Covers, Inc.* will not shrink or deteriorate as to its imperviousness to water to such an extent that water can penetrate the cover from below in such quantity as to make the cover no longer reasonably operable. The vinyl is not warranted against the occurrence of minor pinholes. The vinyl is not warranted against discoloration, fading, or any other cosmetic reasons. The warranty is specifically for functionality and safety. This limited warranty shall be in full force and effect for a period of seven (7) years from the date on which the fabric is installed. ***If a replacement fabric is installed during the warranty period, a new seven (7) year warranty will begin at the date of replacement.***

If the fabric has a warranty failure, it will be repaired or replaced, at our discretion, in the first three years, without charge for material. We will however, charge for the labor to install the cover. In the fourth thru seventh year, the cost of repair or replacement will be pro-rated 1/84 per month from the date of installation. This limited warranty does not cover *Pool Covers, Inc.*'s labor to install the new cover.

Any implied warranty of merchantability, and any implied warranty of fitness for a particular purpose, and any and all other implied warranties of whatever kind or nature, are limited in duration to seven (7) years from the date on which the fabric is installed. Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply to you.

This limited warranty does not cover incidental or consequential damages. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above exclusion or limitation may not apply to you.

This limited warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

This limited warranty does not cover rope or webbing. It further does not cover any condition or damage caused by improper chemical balance in the pool water, improper water level, abuse, neglect, abnormal wear and tear, or improper cleaning, maintenance or improper operation, including your failure to comply with the printed instruction manual furnished with the original cover.

Failure to have the cover installed, maintained, or repaired by our authorized service personnel during the Limited Warranty period will void this limited warranty.

Failure to pay all charges for the cover in accordance with the original terms of sale shall nullify this warranty.

Proof of purchase must be provided.

Care of Fabric: Care of the cover begins with removing any objects before rolling the fabric around the roller. Any leaves, insects, or dirty water left on the fabric may affect the vinyl by leaving a residue. When dirt, organic matter, or harmful chemical deposits build up on top of the fabric, it should be rinsed off with fresh, clean water. If the cover is not rinsed off regularly premature fabric failure can occur. This is not covered under this Limited Warranty.

The key to longevity in all cases has been proper pool water balance as well as regular care and cleaning of the cover.

For stubborn stains try using a soft bristle brush and scrub the cover with fresh clean water. For oils like suntan lotion or leaf stains, or anything that cannot be removed by just scrubbing, try using a small amount of non-detergent cleanser or Simple Green. Never use detergents on the vinyl! (One of the most available non-detergent cleaners is Ivory bar soap, not the dish washing liquid.) Use the bar soap on a wet cloth and scrub the soiled area. Next, rinse well with fresh water. Pump all water from the top of the cover prior to operating it.

For algae stains, especially black algae, you may use a mixture of nine parts water to 1 part Clorox. Wipe this solution directly on the algae. Do not use algacides since some contain detergent.

Patch even the smallest holes as soon as they occur with vinyl glue, available from Pool Covers, Inc. If water penetrates the vinyl and is exposed to the reinforcing thread (called scrim), the thread will soak up water. The chemicals in the water will contaminate the inside of the material, which will lead to stiffening and/or deterioration of the vinyl. Patching should be done on both sides of the material whenever possible.

To repair a leak in the fabric, retract the cover until the damaged area is on top of the beam for under track models, or on top of the deck for top track models. Clean the area around the hole thoroughly and dry the fabric. The patch should have rounded corners and overlap all sides of the hole or tear by one inch. Apply the vinyl glue to the patch as well as the area to be patched. Wait until both surfaces are "tacky". Join the fabric and patch together. For small "pinholes", clean the area and seal with a drop of glue. If possible, patch the cover on both sides. Patch material and vinyl glue can be purchased from our parts department.

Chemicals: The primary thing to remember regarding chemicals and your new cover is that you will almost certainly have to change the quantity and/or frequency that you add chemicals to the water. Where it was previously necessary to chlorinate your pool at a constant rate because chemicals dissipated at a constant rate, with proper use, the cover will substantially diminish the loss of chemicals. It now becomes impractical and perhaps even detrimental to follow your previous chemical program.

With the proper use of the cover, chemicals will dissipate at a substantially diminished rate. You must avoid a build up in the quantity of chemicals in the pool water. Such a build up may create improper balance, which may cause deterioration of the vinyl cover. This type of deterioration is not covered by warranty. After adding chemicals to your pool, allow the chemicals to circulate before closing your cover. A good rule of thumb is do not cover any water you would not swim in. **WARNING: Never leave an open pool unattended.**

Please pay particular attention to the chemicals you use. We find that chlorine, ozone, and salt can vary dramatically in pH level. Long term imbalance or consistently fluctuating pH can ruin your vinyl cover in just a season or two. This imbalance will void your fabric warranty. Making sure your pool water is balanced should be on the top of your checklist. Pool Covers, Inc. recommends having your pool serviced by a professional. There are several in your area. They will not only help to maintain your pool water but they can alert you to any possible equipment malfunctions.

Inspect for Wear and Deterioration: Depending on your cover's exposure to chemicals, dirt, and debris, your vinyl will eventually become brittle and start to crack as the years go by. When this occurs, the reinforcing thread, called scrim, will be exposed and begin to break down, decreasing the capability of your cover to support weight. By having a certified Pool Cover's Inc. technician perform

the recommended twice yearly maintenance we will make sure any deterioration in fabric strength will not compromise the effectiveness of your pool cover.

Inspection for this kind of deterioration should begin with examination for leaks. Any change in the feel of the vinyl such as brittleness or stiffness can indicate a problem and the vinyl may be weakening.

For above ground installations, there may be areas where your cover is pulled over deck or coping, it is possible to gradually wear the vinyl away. This is normal wear and tear and not covered under warranty.

Inspect the sewing along the side of the cover. Broken threads decrease the strength of your cover, and if not repaired may cause damage to other parts of your system. If you suspect a problem please call us.

Water Level: Do not attempt to open your cover with water on it. This can cause damage to your pool cover system. Keep your automatic pump on the pool cover at all times if rain is possible. Also, be aware that if a significant amount of water collects on top of the cover, it will displace the water in the pool, resulting in a low water level. This displaced water will need to be replaced since the weight of the cover and proper operation of the cover depend on normal water level for support. It is very important to keep your water level up at all times.

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