Sequel II™
Rotary DE Filter
Model 0-1651-000
Owner's Guide
Doughboy’s Sequel II™ Filter makes routine pool care easier, faster and more convenient. Sequel II™ skim small particles, dust and debris from the poolsurface. This debris, with the water, is processed through a filtering element and clean, clear, polished water is returned to the pool. This filtering system, combined with proper pool chemistry, will keep your pool sparkling. Follow the easy steps below to install your new Sequel II™ Filter. Numbers in parentheses refer to key numbers in the illustration on page 7.

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**SKIMMER**

**RETURN FITTING**

**CLAMP**

**VALVE HANDLE** (SHOWN IN BACKWASH POSITION)

**TO POOL RETURN FITTING**

**WASTE PORT**

**CLAMPS**

**POOL POWER PAK® II**

**PATIO BLOCKS**

**SEQUEL II™ D.E. FILTER**

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**INSTALLING SEQUEL II™ FILTER**

Install the filter and pump approximately 5 feet from the pool wall so they may not be used as steps by children.

Filtering system must sit on a firm, level pad. Any material that is firm and level is acceptable. This pad gives firm support to your Sequel II™, and allows easy maintenance. It keeps grass from blocking air to the Pool Power Pak®, and keeps standing water away from electrical parts. Use six 14” x 14” patio blocks to make a pad large enough so your Sequel II™, pump and base (if purchased) can sit without tipping. Use a shovel and carpenter’s level to level ground before placing blocks if necessary.

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**Hose Installation**
(See Fig. 1 and Exploded Parts Illustration)

**IMPORTANT:** Incorrect hose installation could cause damage to your filter system. Follow the instructions below carefully.

Suction and Return lines should be partially buried to prevent accidental tripping that could cause personal injury or damage to the filter system.

Starting at least 12” from the pool wall, make two 3-4” deep trenches, one from the pool skimmer to the front of pump, and the other from the pool return fitting to the filter return port.

The two 8 ft. long hoses (36) are interchangeable and used for the suction and return lines. Slip a hose clamp over the ends of each hose prior to installing. Connect one long hose (suction line) between the pool skimmer and front port of the pump. Connect the other long hose (return line) between the pool return fitting and filter return port.

Connect the short hose (33) between the pump discharge port (located at top of pump) and the filter pump port. Tighten clamps firmly using a flathead screwdriver or 5/16” nutdriver. Cover the trenches with a firm board when finished.

**NOTE:** Do not completely bury the hoses with dirt.

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**Tools and Materials You Will Need**

- Six 14” x 14” patio blocks
- Shovel
- 7/16” Wrench
- Flat Head Screwdriver
- Phillips Screwdriver (if optional base is purchased)
- Waste Hose— 1 1/2” diameter
- Carpenter’s Level
**INITIAL START-UP AND OPERATION OF FILTER**

The water level in your pool must be between the water level markers on the skimmer faceplate. The pump must be able to draw water from the pool to operate safely. Never run the pump with the pool water level so low that no water passes to the pump. The pump seal may overheat and permanent damage to the pump may occur.

**FILTER POSITION**

(Normal running position for filtering pool water.)

The length of filtering time depends on: pool size, pool use, amount of airborne dust and debris, and chemical treatment. High wind locations will cause a pool to get dirty faster, requiring longer filtering time. Failure to give your pool proper chemical treatment will also require additional filtering time. Your pool dealer can help you determine proper filtering times, general maintenance and chemical treatment for your pool.

**BACKWASH POSITION**

Backwashing reverses the flow of water, cleaning dirt and debris from the filter. How often you backwash the filter will vary with pool size, pool use, amount of airborne dust and debris, and the chemical treatment you give the water. Backwashing should be done when the Sequel II™ pressure gauge reads 5 to 7 pounds higher than initial start-up pressure. Example: If the pressure gauge reads 10 pounds at the start of a clean filter, you should backwash when the gauge reads from 15 to 17 pounds.

**FILTER TO WASTE POSITION**

Place the valve handle in the “Filter to Waste” position after backwashing your Sequel II™ Filter. This will prevent an objectionable “cloudy puff” of D.E. from entering your pool through the pool return inlet.

**PUMP TO WASTE POSITION**

This position allows you to vacuum heavy debris or larger amounts of settled contaminants from the bottom of your pool directly to waste.

**RECIRCULATE POSITION**

This position allows you to increase the water flow rate through the filter to circulate chemicals throughout the pool more quickly. Pool water passes through the filter valve on top of the filter, bypassing internal filter components, and travels back to the pool at a rapid rate.

**WINTERIZE POSITION**

This position allows you to drain trapped water from the filter valve and relieve compression on the rotor valve gasket during winter storage.

**ADDIGN D.E.**

Be sure your Sequel II™ valve handle is in the FILTER TO WASTE position. Remove waste cap and gasket. Your filter requires 2 1/2 pounds of “diatomaceous earth” (D.E.). This powder coats the grids inside the filter. The coated grids provide the filtering action. D.E. can be purchased at your local pool store. Remove the skimmer lid. Start your Pool Power Pak. You can use a clean, one-pound coffee can to measure the D.E. NOTE: A one pound coffee can holds 1/2 pound of D.E. Your filter requires five coffee cans full. Slowly pour D.E. into the skimmer. During this process super fine particles of the D.E. migrate through the “V” grids and to waste rather than entering the pool in an objectionable cloudy puff through the return inlet. After 30 seconds, turn power pak “OFF”, rotate valve handle to the FILTER position. Replace skimmer lid in normal position when completed and turn power pak “ON”. Note the clean filter starting pressure on the pressure gauge. NEVER OPERATE FILTER WITHOUT D.E.!

A newly filled pool usually requires continuous filtering for about 24 hours. The time varies depending on water conditions and amount of water being filtered. During initial start-up, the Sequel II™ may require frequent cleaning (backwashing) as it filters the water. (See “BACKWASHING ”.) After a few days of operation, and periodically thereafter, recheck all fittings, clamps and screws for tightness. Retighten as necessary.

**ROUTINE CARE & MAINTENANCE**

**FILTERING**

For normal filtering, the valve handle is rotated to the FILTER position, and the Pool Power Pak is "ON". When you stop your Power Pak, the D.E. slips off the filtering grids and settles to the bottom of the filter tank.
When you start your Power Pak, inlet water is directed to the bottom of the filter tank. It sweeps up the settled D.E. and collected debris to recoat the filtering grids. (You may notice a lower reading on the Sequel II™ pressure gauge at this time. Water flowing through the grids meets less resistance from the D.E. and collected debris mixture. This gives you extended filtering time. You don't need to add more D.E.). Backwash the filter when there is a big increase in the pressure gauge reading.

**BACKWASHING**
1. Stop pump. Be sure drain cap (19) and gasket (18) are removed, and waste line is hooked up to the port labeled "To Waste."
2. Rotate valve handle to BACKWASH position. Turn pump “ON” and run for 2-3 minutes.
3. Stop pump and move valve handle to FILTER TO WASTE position, then start pump and run for 20 seconds.
4. Stop pump and repeat steps 2 and 3.
5. Stop pump and move valve handle back to BACKWASH position. Start pump and run until waste water is clear.
7. When finished, remove waste hose, and replace gasket (18) and drain cap (19).

**TO CLEAN DOUGHBOY STRAINER ASSEMBLY**
CLEAN THE STRAINER ASSEMBLY FREQUENTLY. The strainer assembly on your Doughboy Pool Power Pak® catches large debris such as insects and leaves. **To clean:** Stop your Power Pak. Rotate valve handle on your Sequel II™ to BACKWASH position. This closes off the pool return line to prevent back flow of water through the filter and out the pump strainer. To prevent water coming from the skimmer, remove skimmer lid and basket. Plug the hole in the bottom of the skimmer with a towel or cloth. Place one hand on top of the strainer cover and loosen the two knobs enough to rotate the cover counter-clockwise until it stops. Lift off the cover. Remove basket and clean. Lubricate O-Ring on cover prior to reassembly. (See “LUBRICATION” in this guide). Replace basket. To replace cover, press down and rotate clockwise until slots in cover are completely under knobs. Tighten knobs until cover is fully seated. Remove towel or cloth from skimmer hole. Replace skimmer basket and lid. Rotate valve handle to FILTER position and switch Pool Power Pak to resume normal filter operation.

**LUBRICATION**
Important: Regularly lubricate the O-Ring on the Power Pak strainer assembly cover and Sequel II™ valve rotor with a NON-PETROLEUM lubricant recommended for A.B.S., Noryl and Acrylic plastics. Consult your pool dealer for lubricant selections. To lubricate the O-Ring on the valve rotor depress valve handle fully and apply lubricant, then rotate handle to distribute lubricant. To resume normal filtering operation, rotate valve handle to FILTER position and start pump.

**VACUUMING YOUR POOL**
Prior to vacuuming, clean out strainer assembly basket on your Power Pak and backwash your Sequel II™ Filter thoroughly. Follow skimmer manufacturer’s instructions for vacuuming pool. It may be necessary to backwash your filter frequently during the vacuuming operation. For excessive amounts of dirt on the pool floor, we recommend that you vacuum directly to waste. This is accomplished by installing your waste line (See waste line hook-up) and placing the filter valve handle in the PUMP TO WASTE position. Then proceed vacuuming as usual. When you've completed vacuuming, backwash your Sequel II™ thoroughly and clean the strainer basket again. Resume normal filtering operation.

**KEEP YOUR POOL SPARKLING**
You can take steps to reduce the amount of maintenance needed to keep your pool sparkling.

1. Provide a clean walkway leading to your pool entrance.
2. Rinse off patio and area around pool regularly.
3. Swimmers should rinse off (especially their feet) before entering pool.
4. Maintain the proper chemical balance in your pool. Hot days will cause chemicals to dissipate rapidly.
5. Remove floating leaves and debris with a leaf skimmer.
6. Empty skimmer basket and strainer basket frequently.
7. Vacuum pool bottom to remove settled debris.
8. A pool cover will help keep your pool clean during high winds or rainfall.

**DOUGHBOY POOL CARE**
Refer to Doughboy’s “SAFETY FIRST Pool Use Handbook” for correct use, care, and chemical treatment of Doughboy pools.

**CHLORINE INSTRUCTIONS**
ALWAYS READ AND FOLLOW CHEMICAL MANUFACTURER’S SAFETY PRECAUTIONS FOR HANDLING CHLORINE

**WARNING! DO NOT PLACE CHLORINE TABLETS IN THE SKIMMER BASKET!** Putting chlorine tablets directly into
the skimmer basket will destroy the pump strainer basket and internal components. We recommend against adding any kind of chemicals directly into the skimmer!

Please read the following instructions carefully. Chlorine is a strong chemical. Improper use could result in serious, permanent damage to the pool liner. This damage could include "white spots", wrinkles or breakage (brittle vinyl). Such damage is not covered under warranty.

IMPORTANT: Pump and Sequel II™ should always be "ON" when adding chemicals to pool water.

WITH DISPENSER

Dry Chlorine (tablets, sticks, granules, or powder). Use one of the following types of chlorine dispensers:

• Floating Dispenser: Use only when pump is running. Dispenser must circulate in pool for safe distribution of chlorine.

• Automatic feeder (in-line or off-line).

• Chlorine generator - Approved for use. Releases chlorine from salt.

Ask your Doughboy dealer to recommend the best type of dispenser for your pool and area conditions. Follow manufacturer's instructions for correct use.

WITHOUT DISPENSER

Dry Chlorine: Use granules or powder only. NEVER pour dry chlorine directly into the pool water. Mix with pool water in a clean plastic container following chlorine manufacturer's safety instructions. When all chlorine has dissolved, pour solution into pool water at the return fitting. Water returning to the pool will properly distribute chlorine.

Liquid Chlorine: Liquid chlorine concentrate may be poured directly into pool water. Carefully add liquid chlorine to water at the return fitting. Water returning to the pool will distribute the chlorine. Follow chemical manufacturer's instructions for use of liquid chlorine.

WINTERIZING

(FREEZING CLIMATES)

With Doughboy Skimmer & Return Fitting

Your Sequel II™ Filter must be drained, cleaned and stored indoors for the winter season. We strongly recommend for the protection of your filter, liner and pool wall, that you purchase and install the DOUGHBOY Winterizing Kit (0-2099-001). The proper installation of this kit will allow the removal and storage of your skimmer and filter, and should eliminate any possibility of damage.

CAUTION

Removing the skimmer without installing a winterizing kit is very dangerous to the pool wall, liner and pool installation, and voids any warranty. Filter damage caused by freezing temperatures is not covered by product warranty.

To winterize Sequel II™: Drain pool water to 6" below return fitting. Rotate valve handle to PUMP TO WASTE position (See Pump To Waste). Turn pump on and run until water level is drawn down to skimmer level. Turn pump OFF. Additional water removal can be accomplished by syphoning with several garden hoses, or vacuum hoses. Rotate valve handle to the WINTERIZE position and remove drain plug (31). Disconnect all hoses after water drains completely from tank. Store your Sequel II™ and Pool Power Pak indoors for the winter season. Filter or pump damage caused by freezing temperatures is not covered by product warranty.

TROUBLE SHOOTING

A. High gauge pressure, low return flow.
   1. Filter requires backwashing.
   2. Or, excessive contaminants or algae coated on "V" grids inside filter. Backwash to correct.
   3. Calcium crustation in "V" grid cloth. Disassemble filter and wash grids with 1 part muriatic acid to 4 parts water.

B. Low gauge pressure, low flow. Pump suction is drawing in air (noted by bubbles returning to pool), or pump sounds like marbles are rattling in it.
   1. Pool water level is too low. SWITCH PUMP "OFF" AT ONCE. Fill pool so water level is between markers on skimmer faceplate.
   2. Or, there is a restriction on the suction side of the pump.
   3. Or, pump strainer assembly is clogged with debris. Clean strainer assembly.
   4. Or, tighten pump strainer assembly lid.

C. High flow, low or normal gauge pressure...but pool water won’t clear up.
   1. Pool water is chemically out of balance. Use water test kit to check balance.
   2. Or, opening in "V" grid cloth.
   3. Or, "V" grid assembly inside filter is loose and by-passing water.

D. Very short filtering cycles.
   1. Excessive suspended contaminants or algae in pool water. (Filter will require frequent backwashing until pool clears up.)
   2. Calcium crustation in "V" grid cloth. Disassemble filter and wash grids in 1 part muriatic acid to 4 parts water.
E. Cloudy puff coming out of return fitting.
1. Place valve handle in FILTER TO WASTE position when turning on pump and during precoating of D.E..
2. Or, if vacuuming, place valve handle in PUMP TO WASTE position.

F. Water is leaking to waste.
1. Inspect drain cap (19) and gasket (18) for needed repair.
2. Actuate and rotate valve handle to clear seating area of debris.
3. Or, replace valve gasket in tank cover.

G. Filter is backwashing when valve handle is in FILTER position after servicing filter.
1. Valve cover is assembled backwards on tank cover (180° from correct position).

**SERVICE**

During disassembly of the filter, mark each part’s assembled position as it relates to the mating part to assure proper alignment when reassembled. Malfunctioning of the filter will occur if not properly reassembled. Use only original Doughboy replacement parts. See your professional Doughboy pool dealer for Original Equipment Manufactured (OEM) parts and servicing.

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IMPORTANT FILTER/ PUMP SAFETY

1. **DO NOT** install filter or pump on a deck. They could fall into the water, causing severe electrical shock. Do not install on any surface at, above, or slightly below the top rail of the pool.

2. **DO NOT** allow children or adults to climb, sit or stand on the filter or pump units. They could easily fall. Position filter and pump approximately 5 feet from the pool wall so they may not be used as steps by children.

SERVICING SAFETY TIPS

A. **ALWAYS TURN "OFF"** the main power switch and the Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) breaker switch so power is completely off before servicing your unit.

B. **ALWAYS STOP PUMP** before you service, tighten, or adjust the filter assembly.

C. **ALWAYS BE SURE THE GROUND UNDER YOUR FEET, AND YOUR BODY, IS DRY** before you touch filter or pump electrical equipment. Failure to heed this warning may cause personal injury due to severe electrical shock.

D. **ALWAYS** have a qualified electrician service your system if electrical problems occur.

E. **ALWAYS** have a qualified electrician install a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) breaker at the electrical service or supply panel. Follow GFC manufacturer’s operating instructions for testing. Failure to do so may cause personal injury due to severe electrical shock.

**CAUTION:** To reduce the risk of electrical shock, connect only to grounding type receptacles. A Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) must be provided in accordance with Article 680 of the National Electrical Code (NEC) and local code or ordinances.

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