

Hints For The Home



Proper Sanitization Can Prevent Harmful Bacteria In Home Spas

(NAPSA)—When most home spa owners slip into their hot, stress-relieving refuges, they probably don't consider the harmful bacteria living beneath their bubbling water. The warm water that soothes sore muscles and strained senses can also create a breeding ground for bacteria. These can cause eye, nose, ear and skin infections as well as a number of more serious conditions.

To prevent bacteria growth, many spa owners use such common sanitizers as chlorine and bromine. While effective, these sanitizers require considerable maintenance and can cause hassles, including a harsh chemical odor or dry, irritated skin. Many spa owners—unfamiliar with alternatives to their chlorine and bromine spa sanitizers—accept these side effects as necessary evils. In fact, a recent PKData survey revealed over 40 percent of spa owners were unaware of their chlorine-free and bromine-free options.

For example, the BaquaSpa Water Care System kills bacteria using polyhexamethylene biguanide (PHMB), a gentler and equally effective sanitizer that's used in some contact lens cleaning solutions. BaquaSpa's active ingredient destroys bacteria, decreases maintenance and won't irritate bathers' skin or bleach their swimwear or spa pillows—common drawbacks to traditional sanitizers.

Chlorine, while an effective sanitizer, is easily depleted with changes in sunlight and temperature. This instability requires that chlorine users check sanitizer levels more frequently—an exacting job that requires time and persis-



tence. BaquaSpa's formulation enables it to last approximately 10 to 14 days before needing replenishment, reducing maintenance times. Even extreme heat and sunlight from heat waves won't affect its stability.

In addition to less maintenance and more stable protection from bacteria, other benefits of BaquaSpa include no skin or eye irritation, no discoloration of hair, no fading of swimwear, and no harsh, unpleasant odor.

The system is based on the same biguanide technology that has been used in swimming pools throughout the world for nearly 25 years. BaquaSpa is available nationwide through a network of authorized dealers. These spa professionals are the experts in the industry, annually trained to assist spa owners to maintain and enjoy their spas throughout the year.

To find out more about the benefits of bromine-free, chlorine-free spa care, or to find an authorized dealer near you, call 1-800-374-7764. BaquaSpa also provides spa and pool sanitization information on its Web site, www.baquaspa.com.