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### ShockChek Pool & Spa Test Strips Product Guide

**Why is shocking necessary?**  
ShockChek Pool and Spa Test Strips is the fast, easy way to determine if you need to shock (or superchlorinate) your pool or spa. Shocking is a necessary maintenance task that keeps the water clear of harmful contaminants that can cause irritation and spread water-borne illnesses. Contrary to popular belief, if your pool smells strongly of chlorine it means the sanitizing ability of the chlorine has been used up. That strong smell is the result of chlorine reacting with organic material like sunscreen, perspiration, cosmetics, bacteria, algae, leaves and urine to form combined chlorine (also called chloramines.) In order to rid the water of the combined chlorine you must shock it.

**When should I shock?**  
If you are using a shock chemical product already, you should follow the manufacturer's recommendations for shocking. There may be times, however, that additional treatments are needed. By using the shock test strip, you will be able to more closely regulate your water. Shocking does not replace the need for regular and consistent doses of chlorine to maintain adequate levels. Please consult a professional pool or spa dealer for more information. Be sure to test the water to determine if additional shocking is needed any time there are changes in conditions or environmental factors such as heavy swimmer usage, storms, or extended periods of hot, dry weather.

For more information on shocking, visit us on-line at [www.AquaChek.com](http://www.AquaChek.com), or contact your local pool store. For specific advice regarding treatment dosing always follow the chemical manufacturer's instructions and adhere to their recommendations for safe handling of chemicals.

**How to use ShockChek:**  
*NOTE:* This test is intended to determine the need for shocking through the presence or absence of color on the test strips. It will not provide results regarding the level of chlorine in your water. It checks for when total chlorine is more than free chlorine or when there is no chlorine at all. In the pool or spa water environment, either of these conditions typically require a shock treatment.

**Directions:**  
Dip strip in water and "swish" back and forth for 30 seconds and remove.

Compare strip to color chart. Match the color pattern to the chart then perform the Recommended Action as needed.

**For instance:** Compare the test strip to the color chart. If TOP pad is darker than the BOTTOM pad, OR if there is no purple color on either pad, SHOCK YOUR POOL. If the purple color on the top and bottom pad are the same, OKAY, SHOCKING NOT NEEDED AT THIS TIME.

Total Chlorine			
Free Chlorine			
	Shock	Shock	Okay

→ Total Chlorine

→ Free Chlorine

Chart for illustrative purposes only. Use chart on bottle for actual results comparison.

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Recommended Testing Products:

AquaChek<sup>®</sup> Yellow 4 in 1 Test Strips

Test for:

- Free Chlorine
- pH
- Total Alkalinity
- Stabilizer (Cyanuric Acid)

AquaChek<sup>®</sup> 7 in 1 Test Strips

Test for:

- Total Hardness
- Total Chlorine
- Total Bromine
- Free Chlorine
- pH
- Total Alkalinity
- Stabilizer (Cyanuric Acid)



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