



The Bucket Test

Before sending someone out to check for a leak, try the bucket test. So basically, this test exposes the water that's inside the bucket to the same conditions as those affecting your swimming pool water. By comparing the water in the pool to the water in the bucket, it is possible to determine whether or not the pool is leaking or if it's just evaporation.

Procedure:

- 1) Make sure the pool water is at the proper level.
- 2) Fill an empty bucket with pool water to about an inch from the top of the bucket. By filling the bucket almost completely, you're ensuring that the air moving over the surface of the bucket is similar to that of the pool.
- 3) Place the bucket on the first or second step. Some people place a brick or some rocks in the bottom of the bucket to ensure the bucket doesn't float off the steps. It's also important that you are placing the bucket in the pool water to ensure that the water temperatures are similar.
- 4) Mark the water level inside of the bucket.
- 5) Mark the water level of the pool water outside of the bucket.
- 6) Operate the pool for 24 hours as usual.
- 7) After 24hrs, compare the levels. If the pool water goes down more than the water inside of the bucket, there may be a leak.

If you find that there may be a leak, give us a call at either location!

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