SEVEN STEPS FOR USING POOL CHEMICALS SAFELY

BE SAFE AND PREVENT POOL CHEMICAL INJURIES SWIMMING

RECEIVE PROPER TRAINING on pool chemical use

DRESS FOR SAFETY by wearing goggles, gloves and an appropriate mask

READ THE LABEL before using any chemical

HANDLE CHEMICALS in a well-ventilated area

NEVER MIX chlorine products with acid

DON’T MIX different pool chemicals with each other

PREVENT SPLASHING when handling chemicals

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS inspect public swimming pools throughout the state for appropriate health and safety practices. It is important to remember these facts.

- Chemical injuries, disease outbreaks, and drownings linked to swimming pools increase during the summer months.

- Trained operators can prevent chemical injuries by reading and following directions on product labels of pool chemicals before using them.

- If the product label directs pre-dissolving, add pool chemical to water; NEVER add water to pool chemical.

- Pool chemical injuries lead to an estimated 4,535 emergency room visits annually in the United States.

OPERATORS should take these simple and effective prevention steps to make swimming healthy and safe.

PLEASE VISIT: dph.georgia.gov/pools AND dph.georgia.gov/injury-prevention-program