

## **GETTING STARTED**

So you are thinking about removing your pool? There are probably hundreds of questions going through your mind considering all the options and details. Our goal is to set your mind at ease and address your questions to make sure you are making the right decision for you and your family. Check out [www.spmlandscape.com](http://www.spmlandscape.com) for more information and see a video of the process.

**GET A FREE QUOTE:** Have one of our experts at [www.spmlandscape.com](http://www.spmlandscape.com) come and look at the pool. It is completely FREE. Our team will look at your yard for access points, obstructions, size and depth of pool, hardscapes, etc. Once we have these details we will send a quote to your email for you to review.

## **GET READY, GET SET, GO**

Once the contract is signed and the scope of work is agreed upon. The work will begin. Most pools take approximately 3-5 business days (weather dependent)

Preparation day - Our team will start prepping the site as needed. Water will be pumped out of pool if needed. If there are obstructions they will be removed, fencing, liners, moldings, ladders, slides, pumps, etc. will be disposed of.

Demolition day - This day will be loud! It is time for the demolition. Our team will be using a bobcat, jack hammer, cement saw and torches if needed. There will be 4 holes made in the deep end and four holes in the shallow end for drainage. Sides of the pool will be removed 3 ft. below grade level. (Method of removal will depend on material of pool) Concrete, brick, etc. will be cut and used as clean fill in the pool.

Fill Day - This is the day the trucks arrive with loads of soil and fill. Our team will move the soil into the yard and level the ground. Your yard will be graded as discussed in the contract. (Each yard is different) Product supplied by [www.soilmasters.ca](http://www.soilmasters.ca)

Sod & Clean-up Day - Skids of sod will arrive and laid in the area where the pool was. The entire yard can be sodded if requested. Fence will be replaced with existing panels. Tracks from the equipment will be raked, spread with soil and seeded.

## **FILLING THE POOL**

We only use quality, clean soil. All of our soil is obtained from reliable suppliers to ensure that your yard does not become contaminated.

We use sand fill to ensure proper drainage, reg. screened soil for compaction & enriched soil to promote growth of either sod or seed. Product by [www.soilmasters.ca](http://www.soilmasters.ca)

Concrete, bricks, trees, etc. can be placed in the pool as clean fill. We can not put anything that is not environmentally friendly in the pool. For example; items such as liners, coping, ladders, pumps, etc. These items need to be disposed of properly.

## **TO SOD... OR NOT TO SOD?**

Sodding is always an option that is recommended but not mandatory. Some clients plan to use the space for gardens, etc. and therefore do not require sod. If the space is going to be used as a yard we

always recommend it. Grass seed is great but takes a while to become lush and green. Note: birds and other animals will eat the seed.

### **HOW TO CARE FOR YOUR SOD**

1: WATER!! - Sod needs to be watered regularly. Give your new lawn at least 1 Inc. (2-3 cm) of water within an hour of installation. Keep the turf moist until firmly rooted. (Approx. 2 weeks) Weather conditions will dictate the amount and frequency of watering. Be certain that your new lawn has enough moisture to survive hot, dry, or windy periods. Water areas near buildings more often where reflected heat dries turf faster.

2: USAGE – Minimize the amount of traffic on your new lawn until the roots have firmly taken hold. This includes, walking, running, rolling, mowing, etc. You will notice that the ground under the sod is 'squishy' and this is normal. With the quantity of water needed your soil will be soft under the sod. Minimizing the amount of usage will also keep your turf smooth.

3: CUTTING – Do not cut your grass until it is necessary. Let the roots bond and mature before cutting. (at least a week) When you go to cut it for the first time put your mower on the highest setting. DO NOT CUT IT TOO SHORT.

4: WHAT TO EXPECT – Your sod may turn a bit yellow, especially where it was cut, this is normal. Grass is very resilient and will come back if you care for it.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

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