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This packet is provided to give information to properly care for your Water Feature in your landscape that has been installed.

Pond-less Water Feature Maintenance

- **Weekly Maintenance**
 - Never wash out bio-falls' filter pads.
 - Water features need to be maintained by:
 - Always keep enough water in your water feature by checking water in pump housing.
 - Remove garbage and natural waste. (i.e. leaves that blow in)
- **Winter Maintenance**
 - If you plan to turn off the pump the water feature needs to be drained for the winter months and then cleaned of all garbage and natural waste product as it is filled in the spring. (Recommended)
 - If you decide you want to run your water feature throughout the winter it is important to keep the pump running during winter months to keep pipes from freezing. (Only large water features)
- **Turning on and off throughout the year.**
 - The water feature can be turned off for maintenance or to save energy when you might not be home. Remember that when you turn on the water feature you need to do your weekly maintenance and water check.

Pond Water Feature Maintenance

- Never wash out bio-falls' filter pads.
- Turn off the pump, empty the skimmer net, and spray rinse out skimmer filter pad to keep unwanted material out of the pond weekly.
- If you plan to turn off the pump the water feature needs to be drained for the winter months and then cleaned of all garbage and natural waste product as it is filled in the spring. Only do this if you don't have fish or plants.
- If you decide you want to run your water feature throughout the winter it is important to keep the pump running during winter months to keep pipes from freezing. If you have fish and water plants the water feature will need to be run year round to sustain the eco-system.
- If algae becomes a problem bacteria is a safe way to control the issue.
- If you want Bacteria in you water feature here are some tips to follow
 - www.watergarten.org/Pond-Info/Control-Algae is a great site to learn how to care for your pond. Bacteria products vary in their directions so please follow directions on the bacteria product you choose to use.
- Do not over feed fish
 - www.watergarten.org/Pond-Info/Fish-Care-Feeding is a website has great tips for feeding and caring for your fish.

Remember to always keep your water feature full.