

How to install a Preformed Pond Liner:

Before digging in your yard, contact local municipalities to check for any Code restrictions. You should also call your Utility companies, such as Power, Gas & Water companies to ensure you won't hit any utility lines in your yard.

Plan your setting for your pond, in reference to your viewing pleasure, such as a window or view from your deck or patio.

- 1.) Place the liner in the desired area and draw an outline with either chalk, spray paint or section off rope around the pond.
- 2.) Dig the hole for pond a little larger than outline. Remove rocks, loose roots or sharp debris in general. If the pond has a shelf, make sure to replicate the shape of the pond so the shelf will be supported. Make sure the base and the sides of the hole are firm and compact to prevent collapse.
- 3.) You should put a 2" layer of sand on the base of the hole to offer the pond support. Use a level to ensure the pond is sitting level in the hole. Make sure to keep the pond's edge slightly above ground level so the dirt around it slopes downward slightly. This will prevent heavy rain from forcing soil, fertilizers, etc. into the pond.
- 4.) Slowly fill the pond with water and begin backfilling the hole with dirt. Stop at the half way point to ensure the pond is still level and there is no shifting and no leakage.
- 5.) Continue to fill with water and backfill hole with dirt until complete.
- 6.) Install your pump and filter equipment into the pond and begin circulating the water.
- 7.) Test your water for chlorine and other toxins. Treat the water with the appropriate Water treatment(s). Continue to test your water with Test Strips for about a week BEFORE adding plants or fish to be sure your water is safe.
- 8.) Finish by adding landscaping stones, ornaments, lighting and exterior plants and enjoy!

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