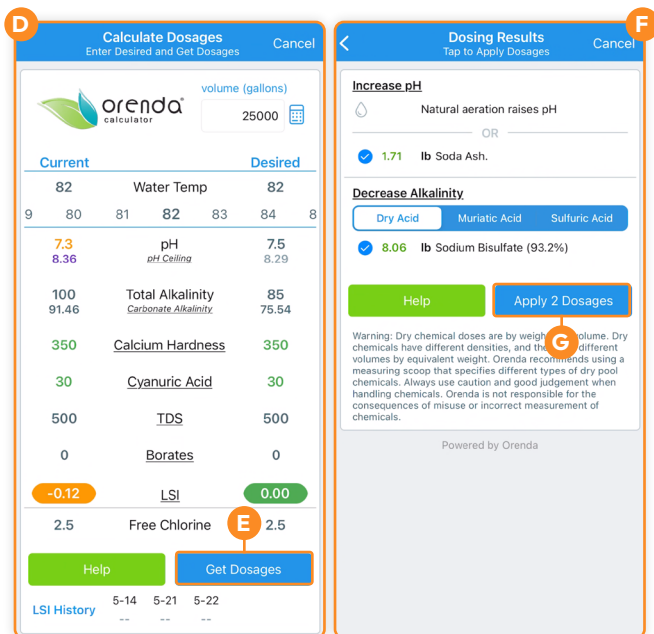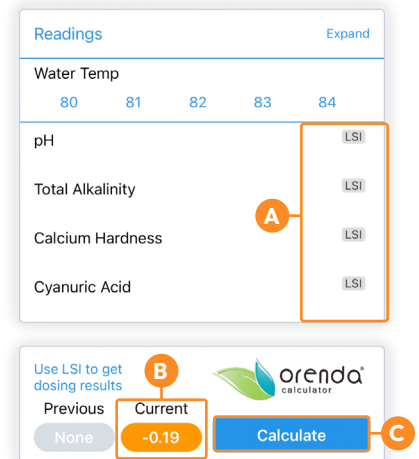# Skimmer's LSI & Dosing Calculator Powered by Orenda: Getting Started

This guide shows you how to use Skimmer's LSI & Dosing Calculator powered by Orenda, the industry leader in pool water chemistry This handy tool takes the guesswork out of achieving optimal water balance for every customer's pool. Here's a quick walkthrough to get you started:

1. **Enter pool readings labeled LSI**. To get the LSI water balance value, enter all readings labeled **A**'LSI' when performing a service or work order. These labeled readings are: Water Temperature, pH, Total Alkalinity, Calcium Hardness, Cyanuric Acid, and TDS (Total Dissolved Solids).

2. **Observe LSI values in real-time**. After you enter all LSI readings, the **B**current LSI value will automatically be updated. This gives you immediate insight into the current water balance.

3. **Tap calculate and enter desired values (optional)**. Tap the **C**_Calculate_ button to open the **D**_Calculate Dosages_ page. Here, you can see current readings and adjust them to your desired values. The target LSI is also shown on the bottom right, based on your adjustments. If pool volume is missing, you can type it here or press the calculator icon to estimate gallons.

4. **Review and apply dosing results (optional)**. First, tap **E**_Get Dosages_. The **F**_Dosing Results_ page will show the chemicals and quantities needed to achieve the desired LSI water balance. Choose one preferred approach for each action listed, and tap the chemical to select it.

When a chemical has been added for every action, tap **G**_Apply Dosages._ The chemicals and quantities you applied will show up on the page where you perform service.

5. **View LSI water balance history**. The next time you perform service, you will see the LSI water balance on the _Recent Activity_ card and _History_ pages. This information helps track trends for each pool over time.

Need more help?

- Watch our **tutorial video** on how to use the LSI & Dosing Calculator.
- Visit the **Orenda training academy** to learn more about LSI and how it helps your pool service business.
- Contact our dedicated support team at **support@getskimmer.com**.