

# Wet and Wild

Wet and Wild was built in 1993 at North Shields near Newcastle. It was, and remains, the most advanced indoor water park in the U.K. The features include waves, ring rides, kamikaze slide, twisters and interactive rides, 9 water slides, including one at 180 metres, the longest ride in the U.K. It also has a lazy river, water canon, waterfalls, Jacuzzis, bubble beds, kiddies pool, outdoor pools and an elevated temperature spa pool in the health club.



The water treatment was a full ozone system and sodium hypochlorite for sanitising. Hydrochloric acid was used for pH correction.



As soon as the centre opened there were problems with the pool hall atmosphere. Bathers and staff found the atmosphere gave them sore eyes. Many people had sore throats and breathing difficulties.

The POOLCURE System replaced the ozone after only two weeks. Immediately the problems with the atmosphere were solved. Switching from ozone to the POOLCURE System saved twice its own cost. The full cost of running the ozone system was saved (£9000 per year in electricity alone) as

well as a 50% reduction in hypochlorite usage and an 80% reduction in hypochlorite acid. The pool chemistry remains much more stable even at the busiest times.

Mr. Phil Martin – Engineering Manager says: “Because we do not operate a session system, customers can be in the park for up to 12 hours. The POOLCURE System has enabled Tyneside waterparks to maintain the quality of the bathing environment which customers are exposed to, even during the most extreme bathers loads.”

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