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SWIMMING POOL AND SPA SELF-INSPECTION CHECKLIST

WATER QUALITY

- A free chlorine residual of at least 1.0 ppm shall be maintained in pools; not to exceed 10.0ppm.
- A free chlorine residual of 2.0 ppm when cyanuric acid is used shall be maintained in pools; not to exceed 10.0ppm.
- A free chlorine residual of at least 3.0ppm in spa/wadding pools: not to exceed 10.0ppm.
- pH maintained between 7.2 and 7.8
- Cyanuric acid maintained below 100 ppm.
- Water clean and clear. Main drain(s) clearly visible.
- Pool/spa water test kit provided to test free chlorine residual, pH, and cyanuric acid. DPD test kit available on site.
- No algae growth in pool water, on sides or bottom, or on tile.

SAFETY, SIGNS, AND LIFE SAVING EQUIPMENT

- Signs required: a) "Warning: No Lifeguard on Duty," b) artificial respiration schematic & CPR procedures, c) The emergency telephone number 911, the number of the nearest emergency services and the name and street address of the pool facility shall be posted., d) No. of occupants, and e) "No Diving" (if pool is less than 6 feet in depth), f) "No Use Of Pool Allowed After Dark" (if pool lighting is not available). g) persons with diarrhea and persons who have had diarrhea within the prior 14 days shall not enter the pool water (posted at the entrance area) .
- All signs posted in a conspicuous place and maintained in a legible manner.
- Life ring with attached rope to span width of pool from poolside.
- Body hook with attached 12 ft. (min) pole at poolside.
- Safety line device available for use at 4 1/2-foot level.
- Depth markers clearly visible (located at maximum, minimum depths, and at the break in slope; on both sides; and at both ends).
- Depth markers located on pool deck (if pool exceeds 20 feet in width).

FENCING/DECKING

- Pool/spa enclosed with approved fencing (min. 4 1/2 ft. high, max. openings 4 inches for pools built before July 1, 1994; pools built after July 1, 1994, have other requirements; contact Environmental Health Services Department).
- Gates and doors are self-closing and self-latching, with devices located not less than 4 feet above grade.
- An unobstructed 4-foot min. deck is provided around entire pool and around at least 50% of spa.
- Pool/spa deck and coping in good repair.
- Electrical outlets in pool area protected with ground fault interruption safety feature.

RECIRCULATION SYSTEM

- Effluent and influent gauges installed and operating.
- Flowmeter installed and operating.
- Approved automatic chlorinator in operation.
- Properly secured anti-vortex covers provided for main drain(s), equalizer lines, and spa suction lines.
- Skimmers, weirs, skimmer baskets, and skimmer air lock devices in working order.
- Provide anti-entrapment drain cover(s) that comply with ASME/ANSI standard A112.19.8. Submit documentation for Chapter 267 Compliance to EH.

PUBLIC RESTROOMS (if present)

- All sinks, toilets, urinals, and showers clean and in good repair.
- Floors, walls, and ceilings clean and in good repair.
- Hot and cold water provided at all sinks.
- Soap and towels provided in approved dispensers at hand sinks.
- Doors to restrooms need to be self-closing.
- Screens in good repair and provided on all windows.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- Current Environmental Health permit (or copy) posted on site (pump room, mgrs. office, etc).
- Daily records of pool maintenance and operation available for inspector's review.
- Recirculation system is in operation whenever pool is available for use.
- Pool light secure and in good operating condition, with a GFCI that is also working.
- All tiles on pool sides, on spa benches, and on spa steps is in good repair (not cracked or missing).
- Ladders and handrails secure (not loose) and in good repair.
- No animals allowed in the pool or pool area.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR SPAS ONLY

- Spa precaution sign posted, with clear, legible letters, which contains the following language:
 - Elderly persons, pregnant women, infants and those with health conditions requiring medical care should consult with a physician before entering a spa.
 - Unsupervised use by children under the age of 14 is prohibited.
 - Hot water immersion while under the influence of alcohol, narcotics, drugs, or medicines may lead to serious consequences and is not recommended.
 - Long exposure may result in nausea, dizziness, or fainting.
 - Do not use alone
 - Water temperature of spa does not exceed 104°F. Provide a thermometer for the spa.
 - Spa has at least 2 depth markers clearly visible.
 - Emergency shut-off switch in working order.
 - Spa "Emergency Shut-off Switch" sign posted adjacent to the shut-off switch (must be clearly visible to all bathers)

THE POOL/SPA WILL BE CLOSED IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITION(S) EXIST:

- No free chlorine residual or excessive chlorine.
- pH out of 7.2-7.8 ppm range.
- Water above 104°F.
- Main drain cannot be seen due to poor water clarity.
- Unsecured main drain cover.
- Underwater light and/or light fixture(s) disrepair.
- Fencing and/or gates that are not properly maintained.
- Any condition which may be found to exist (and can't be immediately corrected) which could actually or potentially threaten the public health, welfare, and safety (i.e.: fecal material in the water, gates locked in open position, foreign items in the pool or spa, GFCI switch that does not work, etc.).

For resurfacing the pool, repairing, modifying, or changing any pump, heater, and/or recirculation equipment, or beginning any type of remodeling of the pool or spa or fencing, please check with our Division to make sure these changes meet current codes and requirements.