

# SWIMMING POOL PRE-OPENING CHECKLIST

(Please use this checklist to ensure you will be ready for your opening inspection)

## WATER QUALITY

- \_\_\_\_\_ Is chlorine or bromine residual acceptable? (See enclosed disinfectant levels required in the new rules)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is pH between 7.2 and 8.0?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is alkalinity greater than 50 ppm?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is cyanuric acid (stabilizer) less than 100 ppm?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is combined chlorine less than or equal to 0.5 ppm?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is the water temperature less than 104 degrees F?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is the water clear; can you see the main drain clearly?

## LIFE SAFETY

- \_\_\_\_\_ Are an adequate number of units of lifesaving equipment provided for each 2000 square feet of water surface?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Does each unit of lifesaving equipment include: a ring buoy (or rescue tube where there is a lifeguard) attached to a rope that is 1-1/2 times the width of the pool but not over 60 ft.; a life pole or shepherd's crook (blunted ends) at least 12 ft. in length?
- \_\_\_\_\_ \*For pools with lifeguards: Is there a fully stocked first aid kit?
- \_\_\_\_\_ \*For pools with lifeguards: Is there a spine board with ties within the pool enclosure?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is lifesaving equipment plainly marked "FOR EMERGENCY USE ONLY"?

## EQUIPMENT AND OPERATION

- \_\_\_\_\_ Are all inlets working properly?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Are all weirs and skimmer baskets in place?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Are skimmers working properly?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is the pump working properly?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is the hair/lint strainer in place and routinely cleaned?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is the flow meter properly sized and operating?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is water being re-circulated at least one turnover every 6 hours for swimming pools, every 2 hours for wading pools and every 1/2 hour for spa pools?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Are pressure gauges working properly?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is system operating at recommended pressure levels and backwashed as needed?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is the disinfectant feeder operating continuously?
- \_\_\_\_\_ \*For pools with heaters: is there a functioning thermometer in the return line to the pool?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Are all threaded faucets equipped with vacuum breakers?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Are all chemicals stored in a dry, ventilated area in a safe manner?

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**POOL**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Are the pool walls and bottom in good condition (no flaking paint, cracks, chips, etc.) and are they clean?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is the drain cover secure and of anti-vortex design?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is all lighting in safe and working condition?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Are all ladders and handrails secure?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Are depth markings at least 4" in height provided on the pool deck and the wall of the pool?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Are depth markings identified as "FT" or "IN"?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is the change in slope on the pool bottom marked by a 6" contrasting stripe?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Are decking and walkways clean and in good condition (no weeds, tripping hazards, large cracks, depressions, etc.)?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is the leading edge of all stair treads marked by a contrasting stripe which is 1/2 – 2" wide?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is the decking marked "NO DIVING" where required?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is fencing provided where required, of proper design, and in good repair?
- \_\_\_\_\_ DOES THE GATE EASILY SELF-CLOSE AND SELF-LATCH FROM EVERY POSITION???
- \_\_\_\_\_ Are all warning signs posted? (Safety & sanitation, no lifeguard, parental supervision, 911, location of nearest telephone, and pool capacity)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Are all diving boards in good repair?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Do all diving wells comply with the dimensions required in the new pool rules?

**RECORDS & PERSONNEL**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Are pool logs kept daily?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Does testing equipment include a DPD test kit, a phenol red pH test kit, an alkalinity test kit and, where stabilizer is used, a cyanuric acid test kit?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Are all pool test kits provided with fresh chemicals?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is the on-site operator currently certified?

**SUPPORT FACILITIES**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Are dressing rooms and shower facilities well-maintained and clean?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Are restrooms equipped with hand soap, paper towels, and toilet tissue?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Are restrooms well-maintained and clean?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Is proper ventilation provided to include restrooms, shower facilities, and equipment rooms?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Are handwashing sinks and showers provided with water at least 90 degrees F but not more than 130 degrees F?

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE: If your pool does not meet the requirements at the time of your appointment, you may not be permitted to open. Call and reschedule your appointment if you have a problem.**