Testing, Recordkeeping & Supervision at NH Public Pools and Spas

Env-Wq 1107.01 PBF Testing and Recordkeeping Requirements.

- (a) The pool operator shall conduct tests for disinfectant residual and pH prior to opening the PBF to the public and every 4 hours during operation.
- (b) If an automated chemical controller is used that displays sanitizer and pH levels, it shall not be relied upon as a method for measuring the concentration of sanitizer or the pH level in the water.
- (c) The pool operator shall use a water quality testing kit with unexpired reagents, such as diethylphenylene diamine (DPD) and phenol red, capable of testing for pH and free and total chlorine or total bromine. The method used in determining the free available chlorine shall be such that the combined chlorine or other oxidizers that might be present in the pool do not affect the determination.
- (d) The pool operator shall test a heated pool or spa for temperature prior to use and every 4 hours during operation.
- (e) The pool operator shall conduct each test:
 - (1) At each end of a PBF that is 10,000 gallons or greater; and
 - (2) At one location in a PBF that is less than 10,000 gallons.
- (f) The pool operator shall:
 - (1) Maintain dated daily logs for each PBF at the establishment for a rolling 12-month period; and
 - (2) Make the records available to the department and patrons of the PBF upon request.
- (g) The pool operator shall record the following on the daily log:
 - (1) The results of the inspection of the cover/grate required by Env-Wq 1107.07(a) (see below);
 - (2) The results of all tests conducted pursuant to (a) through (d), above;
 - (3) Each time that the filter is backwashed or the cartridge filter is replaced;
 - (4) Each time that a spa is emptied and cleaned;
 - (5) Each operational problem, together with a description of all actions taken to address the problem; and
 - (6) The time of each fecal or vomit accident, together with a description of all actions taken to address the accident.

Env-Wq 1107.02 PBF Supervision.

- (a) The owner shall allow public use of a PBF only when a pool operator is available to respond to equipment malfunctions and other emergencies within 20 minutes of being notified by patrons or the owner of the malfunction or emergency.
- (b) The pool operator designated by the owner pursuant to (a), above, shall:
 - (1) Maintain the quality of the water at the facility;
 - (2) Have access to and be knowledgeable of the PBF circulation and disinfection systems; and
 - (3) As of January 1, 2022, either:
 - a. Be a CPO; or
 - b. Be trained and supervised by a CPO.
- (c) If a lifeguard or other individual to enforce safety standards will not be present at a PBF, the owner shall post a sign at all access points notifying patrons of the absence of a lifeguard.

Env-Wq 1107.03 Testing and Supervision at Other Public Bathing Places.

- (a) The pool operator of a common interest bathing facility* that uses automated chemical controllers for both pH and disinfectant shall test for temperature, disinfectant residual, and pH at least once a day.
- (b) The pool operator of a common interest bathing facility that <u>does not use automated chemical controllers</u> shall test for temperature, pH, and disinfectant residual prior to opening the PBF and every 4 hours during operation.
- (c) If a common interest bathing place is not monitored by a lifeguard or pool operator, the owner(s) shall post a sign at all access points notifying patrons of the absence of a lifeguard or pool operator, as applicable.

Env-Wq 1107.07 Suction Outlet Cover/Grate.

- (a) The pool operator shall inspect each cover/grate daily to ensure the cover/grate has not been damaged and is securely attached
- (b) The owner of a PBF shall not allow bathers to use the PBF if any cover/grate is missing, broken, or secured in such a way that it can be removed without the use of tools.

*Env-Wq 1102.11 "Common interest bathing place" means a public bathing place that is part of the common facilities of a common interest ownership residential community such as a residential condominium complex, manufactured housing cooperative, or homeowners association, and that is operated by such community for the residents thereof and their guests.