

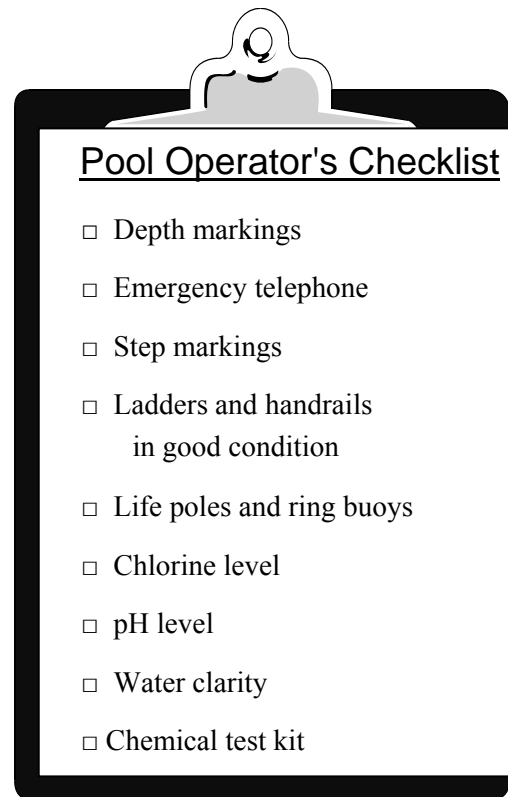
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Will your pool or spa pass inspection?

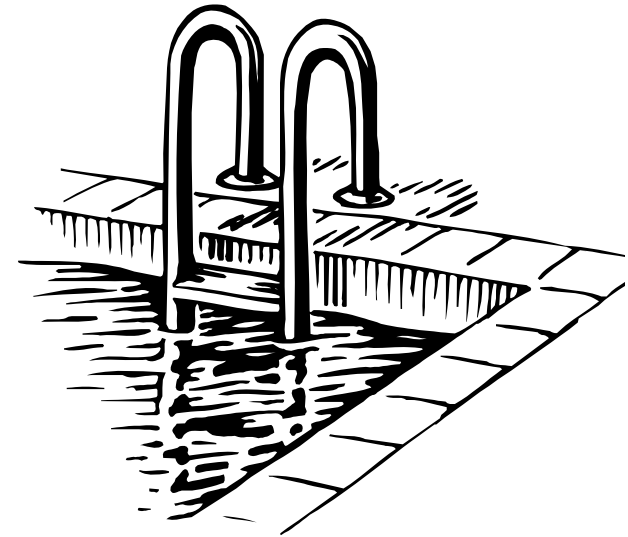


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Pool Maintenance and Operation

Community Services

Guidelines for Owners and Operators



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Pool Maintenance and Operation

This brochure highlights some of the major provisions of the city's ordinance on public pool maintenance and operation. The purpose for these rules and regulations is to establish minimum requirements for the maintenance and operation of pools, spas, and similar facilities so that hazards to the health and safety of patrons may be minimized.

What facilities are regulated under these provisions?

Category I All pools, spas, hot tubs, and whirlpool baths operated by the city and water recreation attractions that offer use to the general public.

Category II Pools, spas, hot tubs, and whirlpool baths operated by hotels, motels, rental apartments, multiple-family dwellings of five or more units, athletic clubs, recreation centers, home associations, day care centers, schools, hospitals, health spas, country clubs and other facilities that offer use to members, patrons, residents, and guests.

Is a permit required?

Yes. All facilities which fall under the above guidelines are required to hold a valid operating permit. The permit is valid for one year following the date of issuance unless suspended or revoked and are not transferable. Applicants must designate a person to be the primary contact with Community Services for the purpose of these regulations. Such person must be capable of being contacted, in person, or by telephone, by the Community Services within 24 hours.

How do I obtain a permit?

Applications for permits can be requested and permits may be paid for online at www.opkansas.org or by contacting Community Services at 913/895-6270.

What are some of the safety requirements?

Emergency Telephones

All pools must have a readily accessible landline telephone with emergency numbers posted.



Depth Markings & Transition Lines

Facilities are required to identify the depth of water in a pool by marking the edge of the deck on both sides and both ends of the pool. A slope transition must have a clearly, visible, dark contrasting marking & must extend up both sides of the pool. If there is no slope transition or the slope transition is gradual, the transition line is the point where the pool depth first becomes 5 feet or more.

Step Markings

All steps leading into the pool shall be marked in a contrasting color with the interior of the pool.

Handrails and Ladders

All handrails and ladders shall be maintained in good condition.

Life Poles and Ring Buoys

All Category II swimming pools shall provide a readily accessible life pole or shepherd's crook and a ring buoy with attached rope.

What are the water quality requirements for pools, spas, hot tubs, and whirlpools?

All facilities must use a chemical test kit capable of accurately measuring disinfectant levels to a minimum of 10 ppm. All swimming pools, spas, hot tubs and whirlpools classified under 1.1 and 1.2 of the Overland Park rules and regulations must maintain daily records showing disinfectant residuals readings – a minimum of two times daily. The city requires that these records be retained for inspection and available upon request for at least two year.

Pools: The water in all parts of the pools, spa, hot-tub or whirlpool bath shall have a minimum free residual chlorine content of at least 1.0 ppm with a maximum of 5.0 ppm. The bromine used as a disinfectant in all parts of the pools, spa, hot-tub or whirlpool bath shall be maintained at a residual of not less than 1.5 ppm with a maximum of 6.0 ppm. The pH shall be maintained at levels no less than 7.2 and no more than 7.8. The water shall have sufficient clarity so that the bottom drain at the deepest point is clearly visible.

Spas, Hot tubs, and Whirlpools: The water in all parts of the pools, spa, hot-tub or whirlpool bath shall have a minimum free residual chlorine content of at least 2.0 ppm with a maximum of 5.0 ppm. The bromine used as a disinfectant in all parts of the pools, spa, hot-tub or whirlpool bath shall be maintained at a residual of not less than 2.0 ppm with a maximum of 6.0 ppm. The pH shall be maintained at levels no less than 7.2 and no more than 7.8. The temperature of the water shall not exceed 104° Fahrenheit.