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IMPORTANT INFORMATION
PLEASE READ

CONTRA COSTA ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
POOL INSPECTION CHANGES

Electronic Tablet use and California pool codes

Dear Owner/Operator,

Contra Costa Environmental Health is implementing the use of tablets to conduct field inspections. The use of this new equipment will facilitate data capture and may generate less paper. **Inspection reports will be e-mailed to the email available in our records.** These changes will provide you with an electronic PDF file that you can print and have available at the pool facility.

If you have not already done so, please provide a facility contact and e-mail address with your billing invoice or contact your district inspector. We encourage you to set-up a generic e-mail for your facility (e.g. poolmanager@xxx.com) instead of having a personal e-mail address that may change (e.g. joesmith@xxx.com).

Facilities that do not have an e-mail address or computer access will:

- Have their inspection reports sent via regular mail or faxed to the facility mailing address for violations **not** requiring immediate action, correction or closure.
- Receive a hard copy of the Notice of Violation report during the site visit if violations occur that require immediate action, correction or closure.

Also, please review the following page for some of the recent changes to California Code of Regulation Title 22, Chapter 20. These codes became effective January 1, 2015 and will be applied during this season's pool inspections by our staff. The new code will be available on our website for your review after May 1, 2015.

We appreciate your patience during this transition period. If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact our main office at (925) 692-2500 and ask for your district inspector.

Sincerely,

Michele R. DiMaggio, R.E.H.S.
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California Code of Regulations

Title 22: Public Swimming Pools

Division 4, Chapter 20 (Changes Effective January 1, 2015)

The following are a sample of changes that may affect your recreational/pool facility(s):

- 1) New limits and parameters for water characteristics.
- 2) Gates that fail to self-close and/or self-latch may lead to a facility closure.
- 3) Monitoring of public pool facilities:
 - a) Public Pool Operation Records
 - b) Fecal, Vomit, Blood Incident
 - c) Lifeguard Recordkeeping Checklist (*only when lifeguard services are provided*)
 - d) Near Drowning or Drowning
 - e) Reportable Waterborne Illness (*to be completed and forwarded to Contra Costa Environmental Health when required*)
- 4) Pool records and forms must be retained for at least 2 years.
- 5) Restrictions for employees or pool users with communicable diseases; unless allowed by a physician.