

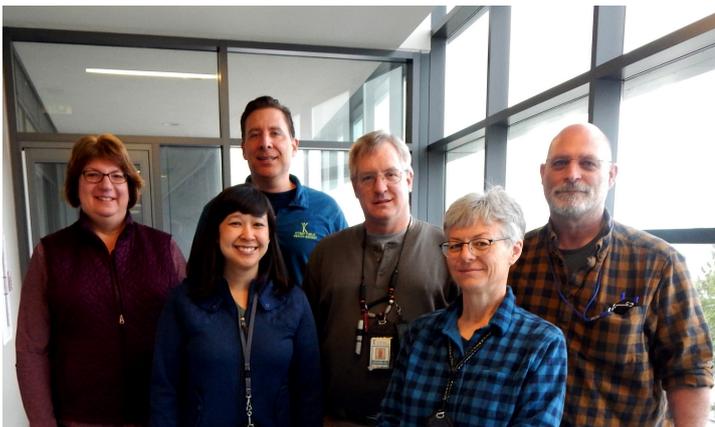
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POOL NEWS YOU CAN USE



Water Recreation Program: Staff changes

We've had a few exciting changes to our program staff over the year! Dave Zollweg has retired and is already missed. Jim Zimny was promoted to Assistant Environmental Health Director and was replaced as Program Manager by Dayna Katula. Jodie Holdcroft and Susan Walther have joined our program from other programs within the Kitsap Public Health District.



From left to right: Susan Walther, Dayna Katula, Niels Nicolaisen, Ross Lytle, Jodie Holdcroft, Paul Giuntoli.

OVERVIEW:

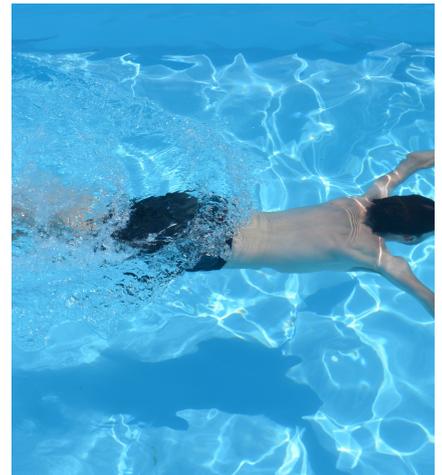
- Report injury and drowning
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As you gear up for your busy swimming season, we'd like to remind you about some important points to keep in mind that will help keep your swimmers safe and facility in compliance with the water recreation facilities regulations (Chapter 246-260 WAC).

Report injury & drowning

The owner/operator of a Water Recreation Facility must report any death, near drowning, or serious injury to the Health District within 48 hours. A serious injury means someone has called for emergency aid and/or the person needs immediate medical treatment at a clinic or emergency room and/or is admitted to a hospital.

Please call the Health District at (360) 728-2235 to report a death, near drowning, or serious injury.



Test emergency shut off

Pool operators are required to test the emergency shut-off switch for their pool and/or spa at least twice annually to determine if it is properly operating.

Questions? Contact us!
Call us at 360-728-2235
and ask for the food
inspector of the day.

Annual notification

Pool facilities are required to provide pool rule signage. Limited-use pools where lifeguards are not present must notify users when first using the facility, and at least annually thereafter of the pool rules.

Place special emphasis on the following two rules:

1. Children 12 years of age and under are not to use the pool unless supervised by a responsible adult (18 and over) whenever they use the pool.
2. Persons 13 – 17 are not to use the pool alone.

Testing your water quality

Washington State Recreational Water Facility Code requires that disinfectant and pH levels be measured at least once per day. If those levels are outside of the proper range, then they must be adjusted. Make sure you are using the right kind of reagents and follow the directions for water testing. Refer to the tables to below for allowable levels.

SWIMMING POOL	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
Chlorine*	1.5	10
Chlorine w/ Cyanurate Acid	2.0	10
Bromine	2.5	10
pH	7.2	8.0

SPA & WADING POOL	MINIMUM	MAXIMIM
Chlorine*	3.0	10
Chlorine w/ Cyanurate Acid	3.5	10
Bromine	4.0	10
pH	7.2	8.0

*The above is measured in free chlorine.