



## Checklist for Outdoor Pool Opening

These are the requirements that need to be met at pool openings. Refer to Minnesota Rules Chapter 4717 for complete requirements.

- Inspect drain cover(s) for proper installation and compliance with Abigail Taylor Pool Safety Act.
- All chemicals in balance:
  - Chlorine
  - pH/Alkalinity
  - Cyanuric Acid (stabilizer for outdoor pools)
- Pool water is clear, and main drain is clearly visible.
- Doors/gates are in good condition. Doors/gates must be self-closing, self-latching, and capable of being locked.
- Fencing is in good condition and meets the state pool code.
- Lifesaving equipment is in place and marked "FOR EMERGENCY USE ONLY"
- 12 ft. fixed length pole or life hook.
- Rescue tube (if lifeguarded) OR Ring buoy with rope attached (rope length must be 1½ x pool width).
- Coping (pool ledge) is clean, smooth, and in good repair. Pool walls and bottom are clean, and in good repair and painted in a light color. Decking and walkways are in good condition, with no large cracks/gaps.
- All signs and pool rules posted:
  - "NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY" in 4-inch lettering (when applicable).
  - Pool Rules Sign: Communicable disease; showering; spitting; running; glassware; diving; and pets
  - Emergency telephone number (911) and location of the closest public telephone
  - Pool capacity
- "NO DIVING" sign posted (or universal "No Diving" symbol 4-inch square) meeting the state code.
- Step edges are painted with a dark contrasting color stripe ½ to 2 inches wide.
- Depth transition line at least 6 inches wide, is painted with a dark contrasting color along the bottom and side walls of the pool (for pools where one is required).
- Pool depths clearly marked on all sides of the pool meeting the state code.
- Ladders and handrails in place and secure.
- All equipment is hooked up and working: pipes, filters, heater/thermometer, flow meter, and disinfectant feeder
- Skimmers with weirs installed, clean and working.
- Complete and stocked chemical test kit: chlorine, pH, alkalinity, cyanuric acid.
- Pump room clean and organized.
- Copy of current Certified Pool Operator certificate posted in pump room.
- Dressing rooms, showers, and toilet facilities are clean, vented, and in good repair.

**If ALL ITEMS on the above list have been completed, please call for an opening inspection appointment. Do not open pool until Anoka County completes the opening inspection and you have been approved to open by Anoka County. If a follow up opening inspection is required, a re-inspection fee will be applied. For appointment or questions please call 763-324-4273.**