

# YUBA COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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## **REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DAILY OPERATION OF A PUBLIC POOL, SPA, WADING POOL OR SPRAY GROUND**

### **Safety and First Aid Equipment must be provided at poolside whenever facility is in use:**

- A 12-foot minimum **fixed-length** rescue pole with a permanently attached body hook - *must be mounted in plain sight of pool users and at a height level that most adults can reach*
- A 17-inch minimum (exterior diameter) life ring with attached throw rope - *rope must span the maximum width of the pool*
- When lifeguard personnel are on duty, additional equipment must be provided:
  - A Red Cross 10-Person Industrial First Aid Kit or the equivalent
  - An operating telephone
  - A backboard and head immobilizer.

### **Public Pool Disinfection:**

Free-chlorine residual at public pools must be maintained at:  
1.0 ppm to 10.0 ppm when using unstabilized chlorine;  
2.0 ppm to 10.0 ppm when using stabilized chlorine.

Free-chlorine residual at public spas, wading pools, & spray grounds must be maintained at:  
3.0 ppm to 10.0 ppm when using stabilized or unstabilized chlorine.

Bromine residual at public pools must be maintained at 2.0 ppm or above.  
Bromine residual at public spas, wading pools, and spray grounds must be maintained at 4.0 ppm or above.

pH must be maintained between 7.2 and 7.8.

**DAILY disinfectant and pH readings must be taken and recorded on a log that is available for inspection by Yuba County Environmental Health. At least two years of recordings must be available for review.**

Cyanuric Acid (CYA) concentration must not exceed 100 ppm at any time.

**MONTHLY readings for CYA must be taken and recorded on the daily readings log.**

### **Water Clarity:**

The bottom drain cover at the maximum pool/spa depth shall be clearly visible from the deck.

***A public pool, spa, wading pool or spray ground will be immediately closed for use by the Yuba County Environmental Health Department if any of the above requirements are not met.***

Additionally, the following violations are cause for immediate closure of the pool, spa, or wading pool:

- Improperly functioning gates and/or doors.
- Pool enclosure fencing with openings, holes, or gaps.
- Missing or broken drain covers.
- Improperly secured underwater lighting.
- Non-functioning recirculation equipment.