



Recreational Water Facilities

COVID-19 Guidelines

Recreational water facilities must comply with the **Ontario Regulation 565 Public Pools** in addition to Ontario's Emergency Orders and guidance from KFLA Public Health. The Lifesaving Society's **Guide to Re-opening Pools and Waterfronts** is another resources for operators of public pools.



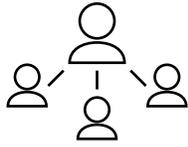
Workplace wellness

- COVID-19 **safety plan**, ensure all staff are trained on COVID-19 policies.
- Ensure all staff complete a **COVID-19 Screening Tool** before each shift.
- If staff become sick with COVID-19 symptoms while at work, they should go home right away and self-isolate, contact their health care provider **Assessment Centre** and get tested.
- Stagger lunch and breaks so that staff are not off at the same time.
- Medical masks and eye protection are recommended for staff that are going to be coming within 2m of unmasked individuals.
- Ensure there is an adequate supply of proper **personal protective equipment (PPE)**.



Operational Restrictions

- Indoor pool bather load must be reduced to 50% of original capacity, outdoor pool bather load is limited to ensure 2m physical distancing.
- Ensure lockers are spaced out appropriately so that when in use patrons have at least 2m between them (use zip ties to close out lockers in between).
- Showers without partitions should be discouraged for use unless it is easy to maintain 2m all around.
- Reduce maximum occupancy of change rooms to allow for a minimum space of 5m² per person.
- Remove non-essential furniture to allow more room for physical distancing on deck areas.
- Recommend providing minimal deck furniture, ensure it is placed to allow for 2m between patrons.
- Provide alcohol-based hand sanitizer (with 70% to 90% alcohol concentration) in a dispenser for staff and clients to use at the entrance of the facility.
- Ensure frequent cleaning and disinfection of high-touch surfaces such as door handles, change rooms, showers, washrooms, handrails, chairs, deck furniture.



Contact Tracing

- Ensure contact tracing is completed, record staff and bathers that attend the facility (i.e. name, date, time, contact information).
- Recommend reservation system for pool access, one apartment/unit per pool session.
- For lane swims record the time and lane, discourage “lane jumping” for easier contact tracing.



Swimming Lessons

- Instructors must keep separated from others by 2m.
- Parents/guardians to be the hands-on person with the child in the water, if a child requires assistance.
- If the instructor needs to get in the water to demonstrate an activity, they are to stay greater than 2m apart from anyone else.
- On deck the instructor should be masked.

Ontario Regulation 565 Public Pools

Water Quality	Parameter	Regulation section
Clarity	Black disc visible from 9 metres away	s. 7. (4)
Total Alkalinity	80 to 120ppm	s. 7. (8) (a)
pH	7.2 to 7.8	s. 7. (8) (b)
Free available chlorine	0.5ppm to 10ppm, with CYA 1ppm to 10ppm	s. 7. (8) (c)
Bromine	2ppm to 4ppm	s. 7. (8)(e)
Cyanuric acid	>60ppm	s. 7. (10)(1)
ORP	600 mV-900 mV	s. 7. (8)(f)
Filtration system and chemical feeders	Continuous operation	s. 6. (3)(d)