## Wading Pool and Reciving Basin Self-Inspection Checklist

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| **Facility Name:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | **Address:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
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| **Staff Name:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

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| Notification | | | |
| Written notification is provided to the local health unit at least 14 days before re-opening following a closure of more than four weeks. |  |  |  |
| Writing notification containing building permit number for construction and/or alteration is provided to local health unit at least 14 days before opening, and written permission to open is received from local health unit. |  |  |  |
| Maintenance and Operation | | | |
| All equipment is maintained in working order. |  |  |  |
| All parts of the wading pool and/or waterslide receiving basin are maintained in a safe condition to prevent injury. |  |  |  |
| A water meter is available to register the volume of make-up water added each day. |  |  |  |
| All chemicals are stored and handled in a safe manner. |  |  |  |
| Facility is kept clean, and in a manner to prevent possible injury. |  |  |  |
| A water test kit is available and used according to manufacturer directions. |  |  |  |
| Manual water tests are completed, and results are recorded 30 minutes prior to opening, and then every 4 hours when an automatic sensing device is present OR every 2 hours when there is no automatic sensing device. |  |  |  |
| Circulation system and the chemical feeder are in continuous operation except for necessary stoppage (i.e.: maintenance, draining, repairs, backwashing of filters or closing for seven consecutive days or more). |  |  |  |
| Outside of operating hours wading pool and waterslide receiving basins are inaccessible except to persons involved with operation, inspection or maintenance. |  |  |  |
| Lighting is operational, properly installed and in good repair to ensure visibility of the lowest water outlet drain. |  |  |  |
| Towels and bathing apparel are laundered, disinfected and stored in a clean manner when provided. |  |  |  |
| Total number of swimmers allowed on the deck and in the wading pool or waterslide receiving basin does not exceed the maximum bather load. |  |  |  |
| Food and beverages are not permitted on the deck. Only water is permitted on the deck. |  |  |  |
| Supervision | | | |
| Attendant supervision is always provided when in operation or the exemption requirements are met. |  |  |  |
| Safety | | | |
| Emergency communication device is provided. |  |  |  |
| Emergency stop button deactivates all pumps used in the operation and activates audible and visual signals. |  |  |  |
| Anti-entrapment drain cover is provided. Wading pool and waterslide receiving basin is closed when drain covers are loose, cracked or missing. |  |  |  |
| Safety equipment is available and in good repair (i.e.: spinal board or device designed for lifting a person, first aid kit with the required supplies). |  |  |  |
| Records | | | |
| Daily records are maintained for estimated number of swimmers, make-up water meter reading, emergencies and rescues, equipment breakdowns, time/day of phone/communication device tests, safety equipment inspections, manual water tests, type and amount of chemicals added manually, and ground current leakage detecting and de-energizing device tests. |  |  |  |
| Weekly records are maintained for Cyanurate stabilization tests. |  |  |  |
| Monthly records are maintained for inspections of gravity and suction outlet covers, and emergency stop button tests. |  |  |  |
| Written record of all inspections are signed by the person that completed the inspection, maintained for one year and available for viewing by public health inspector. |  |  |  |
| Other documentation requested by public health inspector specific to your facility are maintained with record logs (i.e.: confirmation on anti-entrapment drain covers, decommissioned main drains, pools design, disconnected underwater lights, etc.). |  |  |  |
| Water Clarity and Chemistry | | | |
| Water clarity is satisfactory and main drain cover is clearly visible from the deck. |  |  |  |
| All bathers are directed to leave the wading pool or waterslide receiving basin when the required visibility standard is not met. |  |  |  |
| Water is maintained free from contamination and visible matter. |  |  |  |
| Cyanuric stabilization is only used in outdoor wading pools or waterslide receiving basin and does not exceed 60ppm. |  |  |  |
| Waterslide Receiving Basins | | | |
| Waterslide receiving basin water chemistry is maintained within the set ranges (total alkalinity 60 ppm to 180ppm, pH 7.2 to 7.8, free available chlorine or bromine 5 ppm to 10 ppm, and oxidation reduction potential value 600 mV to 900 mV). |  |  |  |
| Waterslide is inspected by the Technical Standards and Safety Authority (TSSA), has a license for the current operating season and licensed operators (permit is renewed by TSSA annually). |  |  |  |
| Notice and caution signs are posted to maintain the health and safety of swimmers and as directed by the local public health inspector. |  |  |  |
| Wading Pools | | | |
| Wading pool water chemistry is within the set ranges (total alkalinity 60 ppm to 180ppm, pH 7.2 to 7.8, free available chlorine or bromine 5 ppm to 10 ppm, and oxidation reduction potential value 600 mV to 900 mV). |  |  |  |
| Signs are posted for wading pools stating:   * Children should be appropriately attired for their age and continence ability to prevent fouling of the pool (i.e.: swim diapers recommended). * No glass container, food, or beverage is allowed in the wading pool or in the area immediately surrounding the wading pool. * Recreational water is not intended for drinking. * Do not enter the wading pool if you have an open sore or rash, or are experiencing nausea, vomiting or diarrhea. * No person shall pollute the water in the wading pool in any manner or on the area immediately surrounding the wading pool. * No person shall engage in boisterous play in or about the wading pool. * Full name and address of the wading pool and telephone numbers for emergency response. * Bather capacity. * Hours of operation. |  |  |  |
| Wading pool is exempt from supervision requirements if water depth is 15 cm or less and the following is provided:   * Notice to the local health unit that attendant supervision is not provided. * A written safety plan is available. * A caution sign is posted stating:   CUATION  This pool is unsupervised. Bathers under twelve years of are not allowed within the public wading pool enclosure unless accompanied by a parent or his agent who is not less than sixteen years of age. |  |  |  |
| Designated Operator and Training | | | |
| There is a designated operator trained in operation, maintenance, filtration system, water chemistry and relevant safety and emergency procedures and their name has been shared with the health unit. |  |  |  |
| Notes: | | | |
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**Resources:**

[SMDHU Recreational Facility Operators Webpage](https://www.simcoemuskokahealth.org/HealthUnit/Workplaces/Businesses/PoolAndSpaOperators)

[SMDHU Public Pool, Spa and Class C Facilities Operator’s Manual](https://www.simcoemuskokahealth.org/docs/default-source/jfy-businesses/18-06127-spa-operator%27s-manual-class-c---may2019smdhu.pdf?sfvrsn=0)

[Ontario Regulation 565: Public Pools](https://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/900565#top)