

# NJ Coalition of Lake Associations

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# NJ Public Recreational Bathing Code

- <http://www.state.nj.us/health/ceohs/sanitation-safety/environmental/>
- PRB Rule Changes 2018 WEBINAR now open for registration!
- The *NJ Public Recreational Bathing Rule Changes 2018* Webinar will be held on May 2, 2018, from 10 am to 12 pm. Click here to register for the free webinar.
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- New Jersey Public Recreational Bathing Rule - N.J.A.C. 8:26
- Presentation: NJ Public Recreational Bathing Rule Changes 2018

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# New Changes

- Non-Bathing Beach- not designated as a bathing beach, not covered under the PRB
- Public Recreational Bathing Facility- includes **any** beach advertised, published or designated as public.
- Does not include any non-bathing beach and/or private rec bathing facility.

# New Changes

## Operational Checklist

- Completed by owner/TPO
- Seasonal- 21 Days before opening

**New Jersey Department of Health  
Consumer, Environmental and Occupational Health Service**

**CHECKLIST FOR  
PUBLIC RECREATIONAL BATHING FACILITIES**

Municipality	Local Health Authority	Date
Name of Public Recreational Bathing Facility		
Dates of Operation	Type of PRB Facility	
PRB Facility Location	Phone Number	Special Exempt <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Both
Owners Name and Address	Phone Number	
Certified Laboratory	Phone Number	Date of Last Sample
Trained Pool Operator	Email Address	Phone Number
<b>Codes:    X-Compliant    P-Pending    N/A-Not Applicable</b>		
<b>PAPERWORK</b>		
TPO Certification No. and Exp. Date		Log Book
Lifeguard Certifications Current		Bonding and Grounding (5-year cert.)
Pro CPR Certifications Current		Bonding and Grounding (Town)
Aquatics Facility Plan		CB-20 completed and submitted
Water Sample(s) Results		MSDS sheets for all chemicals
Sanitary Surveys (8:26-7.15)		Physical Hazards inspection
<b>GENERAL LAYOUT</b>		
Emergency Phone Numbers		No Lifeguard on Duty Sign
Pool/Natural Waters Rules Sign		Adult Supervision Sign
No Diving Signs		Special Exempt Signs
Caution Chemical Sign		Spa Clock
No Smoking Sign (Chem. Room)		Spa Rules
Depth Markings		Diving Rules
Entrance(s) Secure		Cliff Jumps < 15'
Floats and Fixed Platforms Permitted with LHA Approval		Equipment for continuous disinfect all types pool water and meet 8:26-3.22
Diving stands, boards, ladders, stairs, all equipment maintained		Pool chemicals stored, handled and used per manufacturer's instructions
Water slides conform to CPSC and approved by LHA and/or NJDCA		Anti-entrapment drain covers installed, all documentation on site
Rope drops, cliff jumping, and aquatic play equipment meet N.J.A.C. 5:14A-12		Pool Floor (Clean and Visible)
Surface area (Pool sq')		Turnover Rate(s) (Pool)
Volume (Pool)		Pump Maximum Flow Rate(Pool)

# New Changes

## INSPECTIONS

- BEFORE: as often as necessary
- NOW:
  - Seasonal: 1/season
- Year-round: 2/year

# APPROVALS

- May be in any format (license, permit, checklist)
- Must approve/disprove within 10 days of inspection
- Must renew each year (12 months or every season)
- TPO fills out the Checklist for routine renewals



# SPECIALLY EXEMPT

CANNOT be exempt:

- If there is a functional diving board, water slide or other high risk equipment
- New sign to include hours of operation

# What is a Specially Exempt Facility?

**Specially Exempt Facility means a public recreational bathing that is:**

- 1. A private lake, river, or bay or private community lake, river, or bay association, or private non profit common interest community that restricts the use of its lake, river, bay or pool, as appropriate, to the owners of units thereof and their invited guests.*

# Bathing Beach Supervision

**Beach supervisor** Visit 1/week look for hazards, review records, ensure compliance

## **Lifeguards**

□ Ocean & bays:  
1LG for every 300 ft

**Other bathing beaches:** 1 LG for <100 ft 2LGs for every 300 ft

**LGs - No cell phone use!** Texting, reading, music

# Bathing Beach Supervision (cont'd)

## **Aquatics Supervision Facility Plan ...**

ADD ONs

- + Map known hazards
- + Hours of operation
- + Schedule of operational activities (i.e. recordkeeping)
- + AED when 500+ swimmers or LG is present

Post the address of the beach on emergency phone #s list

# Water Sample Testing

Increased cost factor due to:

- Weekly (more frequent) testing.
- Labor intensive testing at lab.

# Sampling & Water Quality

- **\*Changed\*** 8 hours to get to the lab
- **Processing of samples**
- Lab must notify State and local HA and operator within 1 hour if sample is unsatisfactory
- Written report within 1 business day
- Resample within 24 hours

# Water Sampling

- Fresh waters:
- Based on *Escherichia coli* densities, not fecal coliforms
- Standard <320 CFU /100 ml OUSEPA compliant

# Enforcement Procedures

## Local Health Authority inspections

- Review Checklist submitted by TPO
- Decide if need to be inspected before opening
- Approval may be given based on Checklist alone
- Bathing beaches must be inspected prior to opening
- Seasonal pools – 1 operational inspection



# Enforcement

Satisfactory – substantial compliance

## Conditional Satisfactory –

- one or more violations
- unannounced reinspection
- may do a full inspection

## Unsatisfactory

- gross unsanitary or unsafe conditions
- imminent health and safety hazard

# Grounds for Closure

- Underwater hazards that have not been identified
- Failure to meet water quality standards
- Lack of required supervisory personnel/lifeguards
- Equipment, structures, areas poorly maintained

# Closure of Bathing Beaches

- **1st microbiological exceedance**
  - Lab and beach operator notify LHA within 1 hour  
Non-CCMP areas – notify NJDOH within 24 hours
  - Operator posts an ADVISORY sign
  - Post notice of exceedance online and link to CCMP website
  - Resample within 24 hours
  - Operator and LHA do a sanitary survey to ID pollution sources

## ADVISORY

A water sample collected from this beach within the past 24 hours indicates bacteria levels over the recreational bathing standard.

Beaches remain open and additional samples have been collected. Resample results will be available tomorrow.

You may view all test results online at [www.njbeaches.org](http://www.njbeaches.org) or by calling the health department at \_\_\_\_\_

Bacteria levels change with the weather, tides, and currents. They are usually highest near storm water pipes, especially during and after rainfall.

You can reduce your risk of illness avoiding contact with water in or near storm water pipes.

DATE, LHA PHONE NUMBER

# Closure of Bathing Beaches

2nd exceedance (resample) – CLOSURE

Non-CCMP area: notify NJDOH within 24 hours

Within 1 hour operator shall

- Post CLOSURE sign at all beach entrances
- Post a beach closure notice online and link to CCMP website

**BEACH SHALL REMAIN CLOSED UNTIL WATER SAMPLE  
AND SANITARY SURVEY SHOW WATER QUALITY MEETS  
THE STANDARD**

## **ADVISORY**

A water sample collected from this beach within the past 24 hours indicates bacteria levels exceeding the recreational bathing water quality standard.

Beaches are CLOSED for swimming and bathing activities and additional samples have been collected. Resample results will be available tomorrow.

If the resample is below recreational bathing water quality standard, the advisory will be removed. If the resample is above the water quality bacteria standard the beach will remain CLOSED.

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# Closure of Bathing Beaches

Closures due to heavy rainfall

If exceedance because of heavy rainfall – shall be closed until specified by LHA

If closed more than 50% of the time over the course of a year after rainfall Operator posts a permanent sign:

**WARNING!**

**RAINFALL CAUSES THE WATER QUALITY AT THE BEACH TO EXCEED MICROBIOLOGICAL WATER QUALITY STANDARDS. WATER CONTACT MAY CAUSE ILLNESS. NO SWIMMING OR BATHING IS ALLOWED FOR \_\_\_ HOURS AFTER THE RAIN HAS STOPPED TO ENABLE THE RAINFALL-CAUSED WATER POLLUTION TO DISSIPATE.**

# Recordkeeping

Keep records for 3 years minimum

Required records:

- Notifications of unsatisfactory water samples to LHA
- Notifications of closings and reopenings
- Non-microbiological water contamination events
- Floatable debris wash-up events;
- Appendix E Checklist for PRB facilities
- Appendices C & D Chemical water quality standards



# First Aid

- New revised first aid supply list.

# Waivers

- **§ 8:26-1.4 Waiver**
- (a) The Commissioner, or his or her designee, may, in accordance with the general purposes and intent of N.J.S.A. 26:1A-7 and 26:4A-4 et seq., waive sections of this chapter if, in his or her opinion, such waiver would not endanger the safety or health of the public.

# Waiver (Continued)

- 1. The Department shall not waive any provision of N.J.A.C. 8:26-7.5.
- (b) Any owner or operator seeking a waiver of the standards in this chapter shall apply in writing to:
- Consumer, Environmental, and Occupational Health Service New Jersey Department of Health  
PO Box 369  
Trenton, NJ 08625-0369

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# Waiver (continued)

- (c) The written application for waiver shall include the following:
  - 1. The nature of the waiver requested;
  - 2. The specific standards for which a waiver is requested;
  - 3. The reasons for requesting a waiver, including a statement of the type and degree of hardship that would result if the waiver is not granted;
  - 4. An alternative proposal which would ensure public safety; and
  - 5. Documentation to support the waiver application.

# Waiver (continued)

- (d) The Department reserves the right to request additional information before processing an application for waiver.

# AED Grant Programs

- Newton Medical Center Foundation- contact

Dawn Sullivan 973-579-8553

Must be in service area

- [AEDGrant.com](http://AEDGrant.com)- Nationwide

# AED Short Term Leasing Program

- **Benefits to Short-Term-Leasing:**
- No up-front capital costs to buy machines
- Lower on going cost of ownership
- Guaranteed device consumables
- Guaranteed recall-free devices
- Easy one-call ordering with no maintenance



# AED Short Term Leasing Program

Contact:

LESS STRESS INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

888-277-3671

[office@lessstress.com](mailto:office@lessstress.com)

# Webinar

NJ Public Recreational Bathing Rule Changes 2018

Scheduled for May 2, 2018 from 10AM to 2PM.

Must register on line at the NJ State Health Dept. website.

# 2018 Lifeguard Competition

Monday, August 6, 2018 at 6:00 PM

Lake Mohawk Country Club

Beach 1

# TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

- For COLA members- Waterfront Lifeguard Re certs at LMCC. \$70 per participant
- Must have current certification-not expired
- Must have letter from facility attesting employed and covered by Workman's Comp.
- Limited seating- Pre Registration Required.

# In-Service Training-FREE

- Deep Water Backboarding
- Small craft capsizing
- Rescue Kayak
- Sighting & Cross bearing
- Deep water search with mask and fins
- Rescues without equipment
- Open Water Events