Rhode Island Department of Health
Public Swimming Pools Program

Mission

To ensure that public swimming pools are constructed and operated in a safe and sanitary manner.

COVID Update

Pursuant to Executive Order 20-32, recreational facilities are currently closed. RIDOH is in the process of developing emergency regulations for the operation of public swimming pools, including pools at apartment and condominium complexes. These regulations will apply to seasonal and year-round licensees. Once the regulations are promulgated, they will be posted here, on the Secretary of State website, and on ReopeningRI.com.

What we do

- **Review** construction plans, license approved pools, inspect operating pool facilities for water quality, sanitation and safety.
- **Collect** and analyze pool water quality samples for bacteria, chlorine, pH and temperature.
- **Connect** the public with resources to verify an aquatic venue license or to see if an aquatic venue has received a violation.
- **Guide** applicants in the use of the appropriate aquatic venue applications per RI Regulations, Licensing Aquatic Venues 216-RICR-50-05-4:
  - Applicants seeking to build a new aquatic venue must use the New Venue form series.
    - New Aquatic Venue - Form 1 Application
    - New Aquatic Venue - Form 2 Recirculation System Equipment Summary
    - New Aquatic Venue - Form 3 Hydraulic Analysis Summary
    - New Aquatic Venue - Form 4 Design Compliance Form
    - New Aquatic Venue - Form 5 ADA Acknowledgement
  - Applicants seeking to modify the recirculation or treatment system of an existing aquatic venue or seeking to modify an existing aquatic venue, where the costs will exceed 10 percent of the cost to construct a new venue, must use the Substantial Modification form series.
    - Substantial Alteration to Existing Aquatic Venue - Form 1 Application
    - Substantial Alteration to Existing Aquatic Venue - Form 2 Recirculation System Equipment Summary
    - Substantial Alteration to Existing Aquatic Venue - Form 3 Hydraulic Analysis Summary
    - Substantial Alteration to Existing Aquatic Venue - Form 4 Design Compliance
    - Substantial Alteration to Existing Aquatic Venue - Form 5 ADA Acknowledgement
  - Applicants seeking to modify an existing aquatic venue (excluding recirculation or treatment system modifications), where the costs represent 10 percent or less than the cost to build a new venue, must use the Non-Substantial Modification form series.
    - Non-Substantial Alteration to Existing Aquatic Venue - Form 1 Application
    - Non-Substantial Alteration to Existing Aquatic Venue - Form 2 Design Compliance
    - Non-Substantial Alteration to Existing Aquatic Venue - Form 3 Proposed Equipment-Materials Summary
    - Non-Substantial Alteration to Existing Aquatic Venue - Form 4 ADA Acknowledgement
  - Applicants replacing equipment with identical equipment previously approved by RIDOH may use the In-Kind Replacement form.