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POOL SUPERVISION ADVISORY NOTICE

Our records indicate that you are the permittee/owner of a public swimming pool and/or spa pool regulated by the Department of Environmental Health (DEH). This notice is to advise you of your responsibility, under California state law, to have all pool(s) under the supervision of a person who is responsible for its operation, maintenance, and bather safety.

California Health & Safety Code Section 116043

Every public swimming pool, including swimming pool structure, appurtenances, operation, source of water supply, amount and quality of water recirculated and in the pool, method of water purification, lifesaving apparatus, measures to insure safety of bathers, and measures to insure personal cleanliness of bathers shall be such that the public swimming pool is at all times sanitary, healthful and safe.

California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section: 65521. Pool Supervisor Responsibility.

(a) Every pool shall be under the supervision of a person who is fully capable of, and shall assume responsibility for, compliance with all requirements relating to pool operation, maintenance and safety of bathers.

The successful operation of any pool or spa, in large part, is based on proper supervision. Recent DEH analysis of observed violations during routine inspections indicates that those facilities with proper supervision have fewer violations observed during inspections and a lower pool closure rate than those facilities with inadequate supervision.

This requirement is not new; it has been required for well over 25 years. However, this effort by DEH to develop a comprehensive contact list of persons responsible for each facility is new. With appropriate contact information, the responsible person can be immediately notified by DEH staff to make required corrections to ensure the safe operation of the pool or spa if serious violations are observed during routine inspections. Without contact information, DEH may be required to close your pool until the major violations are corrected.

There are a few choices on how this information may be provided to DEH. You may fill out the "Pool Supervisor Contact Information" section of this notice and return it by mail. Another option is to visit our web page at <http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/deh/water/poolsupervisor.html> and complete the form online and return it by email to fhdpermits@sdcounty.ca.gov. If you have any questions, please call our FHD Duty Specialist at (858) 505-6900. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

**Frequently asked questions related to meeting the requirements of
CCR Section 65521 Pool Supervision Responsibility**

Does a pool or spa owned by a Home Owners Association (HOA) need to have a person that assumes responsibility of the pool(s)?

Yes, pools at HOAs and apartments are considered public pools and must have a person that is responsible for the pool(s).

Why is it important for DEH to have contact information for the person responsible (pool supervisor) for the pool?

If there is a serious violation observed during an inspection, DEH staff can immediately notify that person and corrective action can be taken and possibly avoid the pool being closed or reduce the time the pool is closed.

Does the person supervising the pool need to be at the pool during all hours of operation?

No, but they still assume responsibility of the pools operation, maintenance and safety of bathers.

Can the permittee / owner transfer the supervision of the pool to another person such as a manager or pool service?

Yes, as long as that person assumes the responsibilities of supervising the pool and DEH is notified of the transfer or responsibility.

How do I determine the Permit # of the pool(s)?

The permit number is located in the upper right hand corner of on your swimming pool health permit. It begins with an FR00 and is followed by a six-digit number that begins with either a 3 or a 4; for example, FR00-300001. This number identifies the pool(s) at a specific location.

Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Pool Supervisor Contact Information

Facility Name: _____ Permit #: _____

Facility Address: _____

Name of Responsible Person: _____

Name of Company of Responsible Person: _____

Day telephone #: (____) _____ - _____ Evening telephone #: (____) _____ - _____

Email address: _____ Submitted by: _____

Return by Mail or E-mail to:

County of San Diego, Department of Environmental Health, Attention: FHD Permits
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