



Pool or Water Activities

The novel coronavirus SARS-CoV2 is not waterborne. There is no current evidence that COVID-19 can be spread to people through the water in a pool, hot tubs, spas, or water play areas. Proper operation and maintenance of pools and related facilities will likely inactivate the virus in the water. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) states “there is no evidence showing anyone has gotten COVID-19 through drinking water, recreational water, or wastewater. The risk of COVID-19 transmission through water is expected to be low.” However, it is important to follow safe physical distancing and proper hygiene practices at lake and pond recreational areas.

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To support these recommendations, we will enforce campers and staff to practice proper hand hygiene prior to entering and leaving the facilities (pool or waterslide) –Instruct campers to wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds before and after activities, or–Provide alcohol-based hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol before and after activities.

- Maintain adequate staff to ensure camper safety. Efforts to maintain physical distancing should not impact existing camp safety protocols (e.g., first aid, CPR, one-on-one interaction.) We will follow Good Practice by limiting participation in activities to small groups as determined by the water play space. Provide physical cues spaced 6 feet apart for campers in locker rooms and change areas and while waiting to enter waterfront area or pool facilities.
- We will maintain routine cleaning and disinfecting of frequently touched surfaces daily throughout facilities (e.g., lifeguard stands, railings, etc.) with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) List N disinfectants.¹ Cleaning and disinfecting procedures should follow those outlined in the Cleaning and Disinfection section of this guide.
- Clean and disinfect all shared items and equipment (e.g., kickboards, life-saving devices, pool noodles, etc.). Refer to the Cleaning and Disinfection section of this guide for instructions on cleaning and disinfecting porous and non-porous objects. In addition, be sure to follow applicable manufacturer recommendations. All shared equipment will be limited to items that can be effectively cleaned

POOLS

As noted by the CDC, proper operation, maintenance, and disinfection of swimming pools will likely inactivate the virus that causes COVID-19. Swimming pools and play areas should be properly cleaned and disinfected, following the procedures outlined in the Cleaning and Disinfection section of this guide, in addition to the following practices:

- Maintain proper disinfectant levels (1–10 parts per million [ppm] free chlorine or 3–8 ppm bromine) and pH (7.2–8).
- Treat pool with biocidal shock treatment on a daily to weekly basis
- Follow any and all local regulations pertaining to operation and maintenance of pools.