

# FOXBOROUGH BOARD OF HEALTH

## SWIMMING POOL REGULATION

### BACTERIAL TESTING

As allowed under **105 CMR 435.00: MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR SWIMMING POOLS (STATE SANITARY CODE: CHAPTER V)**, all public and semi-public swimming pools, wading pools spas, and special use pools shall have a bacteria test as specified under 105 CMR 435.28 for both coliform and pseudomonas aeruginosa prior to receiving the annual Foxborough Board of Health Pool Permit. An additional test shall be taken at an interval half way through the projected season, but in no case shall the 2<sup>nd</sup> test be later than July 31<sup>st</sup> of the permit year. Results shall be submitted to the BOH and recorded with the pools written records.

As soon as the operator obtains knowledge that the testing results are outside the allowable parameters, the pool operator must immediately close the pool and steps must be taken to return the pool to safe operation. Notification of closure shall be made orally and followed up in writing including submittal of laboratory testing data, to the Foxborough Board of Health.

In the event of a closure due to bacteria presence in excess of allowable limits, the pool must be closed until a test of the pool water indicates that it is within limits set by 105 CMR 435.28. Upon receipt by the Board of Health that test results indicates that the bacteria is within allowable safe parameters, the Board of Health may allow re-opening of subject pool. A second test for bacteria and water quality must be taken within 14 days of reopening the pool. Pool may remain open and testing schedule may be resumed if the bacteria and water quality are found to be within allowable safe limits under 105 CMR 435.28.

Requirements and testing frequency for bacteria and other parameters may be modified and requested at any time by the Board of Health as it deems necessary to ensure the public health and safety.

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