

NSF's Swim Safer™ Program



The Swim Safer™ Program - Recreational Water Facility Evaluation and Inspection Services

The NSF International Swim Safer™ program helps reduce liabilities and increase public health safety through comprehensive inspection services for the recreational water industry, including water parks, hotels, public pools, schools, health spas, private country clubs, and other water facilities. NSF staff evaluate compliance with NSF requirements as well as state/provincial or World Health Organization (WHO), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC&P), and Model Aquatic Health Code (MAHC) regulatory requirements.

Program Benefits

This program is designed to provide a comprehensive public health and safety inspection with the benefits of:

- Limiting liability by identifying potential risks and helping to eliminate them.
- Preparing your facility and staff for state/provincial public health inspections.
- Reducing the probability of recreational water illness for patrons.
- Providing information to improve management of the facility, staff and minimize risks.

About NSF

A recognized leader in public health safety for over 65 years, NSF provides tailored testing, inspection, QA/QC programs that include facility assessment, water quality evaluation, microbiological testing, and related services to help support a safer recreational water environment.

NSF International annually conducts over 40,000 facility inspections worldwide. Since 1960, NSF has been helping people Swim Safer™ by meeting the needs of public health inspectors, product manufacturers, aquatic facility managers, facility users, and homeowners through a vast array of testing, evaluation, inspection, and certification services.

Contact NSF today to learn how valuable our inspection services can be!

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NSF's Swim Safer™ Program is composed of core requirements as well as those specific to the local public health department. The following is an example of typical evaluation requirements:

- Water Quality
 - Verification of compliance with state/provincial requirements
 - On-site water quality testing
 - Sampling for off-site chemical/microbiological evaluation
 - Assessment of water chemistry maintenance and staff training
- General Facility Requirements
 - Hygiene assessment of water bodies and facilities
 - Safety evaluation of facility, surfaces, shower, bathroom, etc.
 - Signage and deck equipment evaluation
 - Multi-layer barriers for drowning prevention
- General Water Treatment and Circulation System Assessment
 - Document volume, flow rate, pressure, system turn over
 - Disinfection process/system
 - Suction fittings, grates, main drains and water intake
 - Skimmers
 - Piping valve and fitting system evaluation
 - Pumps, strainers, motors
 - Chemical feeding and treatment systems
 - Filters and filtration efficacy, cleanliness, turbidity reduction, backwash frequency



NSF provides additional evaluations to help increase safety at your facility by including these and other assessment elements:

- Facility Incident Action/Response Plan
 - Review plans for physical injury, poisoning, inclement weather
 - Water contamination, cryptosporidiosis outbreak, fecal release
- Operational Evaluation
 - Operator Training Records
 - Practical evaluation of staff, knowledge of facility system and use of equipment

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