# New Jersey Department of Health
## Public Recreational Bathing
### INSPECTION OF HOT TUB/SPA

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### SUBCHAPTER 4. HOT TUBS AND SPAS

#### 8:26-4.1 General construction and design
- (a) The maximum water depth is 4'.
- (b) The max depth of seats or benches is 28".
- (c) Handholds provided for >42".
- (e) No protrusions or means of entrapment.
- (f) Steps, seats, ladders provided > 24".
  5. Step treads slide-resistant tread surfaces.

#### 8:26-4.2 Decks
- (b) Decks and ramps slip-resistant.
- (c) Decks have no sharp corners.

#### 8:26-4.3 Heater and temperature requirements
- (a) Max temp 104 degrees F.
- (b) Thermostat installed, good repair.
- (c) An audible alarm installed.
- (d) Automatic safety device installed.
- (e) Thermometer shall be installed in the hot tub.

#### 8:26-4.4 Electrical, illumination, and ventilation requirements
- Installed and meets NJUUC

#### 8:26-4.5 Protection of potable water
- (a) Cross connections prohibited.
- (b) Potable make-up water shielded over-the-rim spout.

#### 8:26-4.6 Inlets and outlets
- (g) Facility staff inspect the hot tub daily, drain covers are firmly attached and in sound condition.
- (h) Noncorrosive fasteners used to secure all drain covers.
- (i) Pump shut off switches accessible, located in sight of the hot tub, and prominently marked.
- (j) Antivortex drain covers installed if commercially available.

#### 8:26-4.7 Circulation systems
- (b) The circulation rate once every 30 minutes.
- (e) 5. Direction of rotation of the pump indicated.
- 9. Proper grounding of the motor frame
- (f) Removable strainers provided on all filter systems.
- (g) 5. An influent pressure gauge provided on all filters.
  6. Flow meter provided.

#### 8:26-4.8 Disinfection
- (a) A means of disinfecting the hot tub provides a disinfecting residual.
- (b) The disinfectant is continuously introduced into the circulation.

#### 8:26-4.9 Air induction systems
- (a) An air induction system prevents water back-up to eliminate electrical shock hazards.
- (b) Air intake sources do not introduce contaminants.

#### 8:26-4.11 Fencing and enclosures
- Fencing and enclosures shall conform to the requirements of the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code, N.J.A.C. 5:23.

### 8:26-4.12 Depth markings
- (a) Water depth marked in feet.
- (c) The depth markings within 18" of the water's edge.
- (d) The depth markings are legible.
- (e) Minimum of two depth markings per hot tub.
- (f) Depth markings shall be slip-resistant.

### 8:26-4.13 Existing hot tubs and spas
- (c) Existing hot tubs having a single drain, must:
  1. Rework the drain;
  2. Lock the valves
  3. Install a secondary back-up system (intervening switch)
- (d) Facility inspect the hot tub drain covers daily, sound condition.
- (e) Non-corroding fasteners used on all drain covers.
- (f) Pump shut off installed, switches accessible, located within sight of the hot tub and prominently marked.
- (g) Antivortex drain covers, if commercially available, installed.

### SUBCHAPTER 5. WATERFRONT SAFETY

#### 8:26-5.8 Hot tub and spa supervision
- (a) Supervision by a designated and knowledgeable adult.
- (b) 1 person certified in standard first aid and professional level CPR
- (c) The operations of a hot tub under the supervision of a trained pool operator.
- (d) A precautionary sign posted
- (c) A clock is located next to the hot tub.

#### 8:26-5.9 Emergency equipment for hot tubs or spas
- A first aid kit provided and fully restocked within 24 hours of use.

### SUBCHAPTER 6. GENERAL SANITATION AND MAINTENANCE

#### 8:26-6.1 General provisions
- (a) All pools, hot tubs, spas, or beaches maintained in a clean, sanitary, and safe condition.
- (b) Dressing rooms and sanitary facilities provided.

#### 8:26-6.2 Dressing rooms and bathhouses
- (b) Separate dressing rooms and sanitary facilities shall be provided for each sex.
- (c) Floors slip-resistant surface, smooth, and easily cleanable.
  Floors sloped to drains.
- (d) Walls, partitions, screens good repair.

#### 8:26-6.3 Showers
- (b) Shower floors lower than walkways.
- (c) Floor drains in shower rooms and stalls twice area of the outlet pipe.
- (d) Wood is not used.
8:26-6.4 Water closets and lavatories
   (b) Water closets enclosed with partitions.
   (c) Fixtures provided.
       1. Toilet tissue holders, adequate supply of toilet tissues.
       2. Receptacles provided for paper towels and waste materials. Women's receptacles covered.
       3. Common towels not permitted.
       4. Soap dispensers provided.
       5. Unbreakable mirrors provided.

8:26-6.5 Wastewater disposal
   (a) Wastewater system adequate size.
   (b) Sanitary sewage and filter backwash waters disposed of without creating nuisances.
   (c) Overflow water returned to the filter system or discharged to a waste system.
   (d) Backwash water discharged properly.
   (e) All wastewater shall be disposed of by Sanitary sewer, Subsurface sewage disposal, and not by natural waters without a NJPDES permit.

8:26-6.6 Solid waste disposal
   (a) Solid waste disposed of properly.
   (b) Trash stored in containers with a tight fitting lid.
   (c) Adequate number of containers.
   (d) Storage areas for trash clean and no nuisances.
   (f) Trash disposed of at twice a week.

8:26-6.7 Potable water supply
   Potable water adequate, safe, sanitary.

8:26-6.8 Drinking water fountains
   Drinking water fountains proper.

8:26-6.9 Food service
   Food service and milk supplies meet requirements.

8:26-6.10 Plumbing
   Plumbing meets requirements.

8:26-6.11 Insect, rodent, and weed control
   (b) Control measures used to minimize and/or eliminate the presence of rodents, flies, roaches, and other vermin.
   (c) Buildings and storage areas rodent-and insect-proofed.
   (d) Poison ivy, poison oak, poison sumac, and ragweed controlled.

SUBCHAPTER 7. SAMPLING AND WATER QUALITY CRITERIA

8:26-7.1 Water source
   (a) Potable water source.

8:26-7.2 Microbiological sampling for public recreational bathing places
   Microbial analyses for PRB places performed by a certified laboratory.

8:26-7.3 Sample collection for swimming pools, wading pools, hot tubs, and spas
   (a) Water samples collected during maximum user load.
   (b) Sampling done weekly.

8:26-7.11 Microbiological water quality standards for hot tubs and spas
   (a) Meets standard.
   (b) Pseudomonas aeruginosa sample meets standard.

8:26-7.12 Chemical water quality standards for hot tubs and spas
   (a) Hot tubs monitored at every 2 hours.
   (b) Bound log maintained.
   (c) Disinfectant and chemical values continuously maintained.
   (e) Stabilized chlorines, cyanuric acid levels maintained:
       1. Stabilized chlorines shall be prohibited in indoor hot tubs and spas.

8:26-7.13 Algae
   No algae.

8:26-7.14 Physical water quality standards for hot tubs and spas
   Hot tub operator monitors the water clarity daily.

8:26-8.2 Inspection of public swimming pools, wading pools, hot tubs, spas, or bathing beaches
   (b) Facility operator permits access to health authority.

8:26-8.9 Recordkeeping
   (a) Accurate records maintained