

**New Jersey Department of Health- Public
Health & Food Protection Program**

**Public Recreational Bathing
INSPECTION OF BATHING BEACHES**

Name and Address of Facility	Name of Inspector	Signature
	Date	

SUBCHAPTER 5. WATERFRONT SAFETY

8:26-5.10 Bathing beach supervision

- (a) Under the supervision of a designated adult supervisor. The name and telephone number of the designated adult supervisor posted along with hours.
- 1. Weekly inspection of the bathing beach to identify hazards is documented.
- (b) 1 person certified in standard first aid and professional level CPR on the premises or signs posted indicating method of access to such personnel.
- (c) 2 lifeguards for every 300 feet of bathing beach is in operation. Equipped with a whistle.
 - 1. Lake, pool requires an individual lifeguard certification
 - 2. Ocean, tidal waters requires Agency lifeguarding certification
- (d) A written aquatics supervision plan provided and implemented.
- (e) Lifeguard stations located within 30 feet of the shoreline, not interfered by beach crowds and on elevated stands.
- (f) Swimming areas maintained in a clean and safe condition free from rocks, holes or any known hazards.
- (g) Bathing beach swim area is designated by buoys, flags.

8:26-5.11 Bather rules for bathing beaches

- Bather rules and policies posted.

8:26-5.12 Lifesaving equipment for bathing beaches

- (a) Lifesaving equipment provided.
 - 1. 1 -12' pole with blunt ends where docks are provided.
 - 2. 1 -18" ring buoy, rescue tube, or torpedo buoy with a 60 foot 1/4 "rope provided at each lifeguard station.
 - 3. 600' 1/4 " poly rope with brass swivel snap hooks provided at each ocean lifeguard station.
 - 4. A paddle rescue device capable of supporting two adults.
 - 5. A first aid kit provided and fully restocked within 24 hours of use.
 - 6. A full spine board with ties, head restraints and/or straps provided.
 - 7. Every bathing beach for >500 swimmers has an emergency care room.
 - 8. A telephone or other means of communication near the lifeguard station with emergency numbers.

8:26-5.13 Diving stands and boards for bathing beaches

- (a) Conform to the diving rules at 8:26-5.5.
 - (i) Rules for diving shall be posted
 - (1) Diving prohibited in depths >8' at bathing beach
 - (2) Diving area shall be designated by signs provided.
- (b) Fixed platforms require 1' air space below the platform.
 - (i) Minimum 8' depth of water surrounding the platform

8:26-5.14 Waterfront restrictions for bathing beaches

- Signage is posted indicating waterfront restrictions prohibiting boating and water craft activities in designated swim areas.

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 restroom and shower facilities provided.

8:26-6.2 Dressing rooms and bathhouses

- (b) Dressing rooms and sanitary facilities shall be provided
- (c) Floors slip-resistant surface, smooth, and easily cleanable. Floors sloped to drains.
- (d) Walls, partitions, screens good repair.

8:26-6.3 Showers

- Constructed of durable material, free of cracks and breaks, sloped

8:26-6.4 Bathrooms

- (b) Fixtures conform
 - 1. Suitable receptacles for waste
 - 2. Toilet tissue holders, adequate supply of toilet tissues.
 - 3. Common towels not permitted. Paper towels or air dryer available for use.
 - 4. Soap dispensers with adequate soap provided.
 - 5. Unbreakable mirrors provided.

8:26-6.5 Wastewater disposal

- (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.
- (e) Storage areas for trash clean and no nuisances.
- (f) Trash disposed of at least twice a week .

8:26-6.7 Potable water supply

- Potable water adequate, sanitary, and protected.

8:26-6.8 Drinking water fountains

- Drinking water fountains proper.

8:26-6.9 Food service

- Stored, prepared and handled in congruence with N.J.A.C. 8:24 Retail Food Standards

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.

8:26-6.12 Recreational equipment

- Recreational equipment inspected weekly and logged.

SUBCHAPTER 7. SAMPLING AND WATER QUALITY CRITERIA

8:26-7.2 Microbiological sampling for public recreational bathing places

- The microbiological analysis of bathing waters is performed weekly by a certified laboratory.

8:26-7.16 Sample collection at bathing beaches

- (a) Bathing beach water sampled 1 week prior to opening and weekly

8:26-7.18 Samples meet standards

- Lake and freshwater sampling conducted for E. coli (<320 cfu)
- Ocean, bay and tidal water sampling for Enterococcus (<104 cfu)

8:26-7.20 Physical water quality

- Physical water quality is monitored by staff for garbage, medical waste, algal growths, organic waste and other potential hazards

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) Records maintained