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COVID-19 PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL INFORMATION

If the pool is closed, see our [best practices guidance Voluntary Pool Closures](#) (</documents/bestpracticesvolpoolclosuresfinalstatewide.pdf>) (pdf <1mb, opens in new window) for information on keeping the pool water safe and sanitary, and on how to drain the spa to keep it sanitary during extended periods.

The COVID-19 virus is deactivated quickly using Florida rule-compliant chlorine or bromine concentrations in pools and spas, and there is no evidence it can be spread by treated water per the World Health Organization and the [CDC](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/water.html) (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/water.html>).

Per the CDC:

Can the COVID-19 virus spread through pools and hot tubs?

There is no evidence that COVID-19 can be spread to humans through the use of pools and hot tubs. Proper operation, maintenance, and disinfection (e.g., with chlorine and bromine) of pools and hot tubs should remove or inactivate the virus that causes COVID-19.

Mass gatherings

Mass gatherings can expose people to other's respiratory aerosols, and for this reason, the White House and the CDC reduced social gatherings to no more than 10 people especially for populations at higher risk. Additional guidance can be found on [CDC's COVID-19 page](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/large-events/mass-gatherings-ready-for-covid-19.html) (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/large-events/mass-gatherings-ready-for-covid-19.html>) and [DOH COVID-19 pdf <1mb - opens in new window](/documents/protectyourselfgandc2020-03-17.pdf) (</documents/protectyourselfgandc2020-03-17.pdf>)

COVID-19 – Florida DOH Information and Guidance

For additional questions, contact the Department's COVID-19 Call Center at 1 (866) 779-6121. The Call Center is available 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. Email Inquiries may also be [emailed](mailto:COVID-19@flhealth.gov) (<mailto:COVID-19@flhealth.gov>) to Florida DOH.

Renew your Public Pool Operating Permit online (<https://myfloridaehpermit.com/>)





TO INQUIRE ABOUT ADDITIONAL PERMIT RENEWAL OPTIONS, REQUEST A COPY, CHECK THE STATUS, OR CHANGE OWNER INFORMATION OF YOUR PUBLIC POOL OPERATING PERMIT; TO REPORT A POOL RELATED HEALTH OR SAFETY VIOLATION, REQUEST COPIES OF ROUTINE INSPECTION REPORTS; TO REQUEST A RE-INSPECTION FOR AN EXISTING PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL - PLEASE CONTACT THE LOCAL FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH OFFICE IN THE COUNTY THE POOL IS LOCATED.

Download the County Pool Program Contact List (pdf<1mb) (</documents/contactlist.pdf>).

Public Swimming Pools Overview

To protect the public health the department has adopted sanitation and safety standards for public pools in [Chapter 64E-9, Florida Administrative Code](https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=64e-9) (<https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=64e-9>) (opens in a new window), and enforces those rules through the issuance of operating permits and inspections. **The revised 64E-9 Rule below is effective 7/20/16.** Permitting and inspections are done by the Environmental Health Section of the [Florida](#)

Contact the Public Swimming Pools Program

-  **850-245-4250 (tel:850-245-4250)**
-  PoolCodeQuestions@FLHealth.gov (mailto:PoolCodeQuestions@FLHealth.gov)
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850-487-0864
-  **Mailing Address**
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Tallahassee, FL 32399-1710

Department of Health in each county.
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