

COUNTY OF SUFFOLK



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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

GREGSON PIGOTT, MD, MPH
Commissioner

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Dear Swimming Pool Facility Owner,

We are contacting you to provide you with additional information regarding the opening of swimming pools during the COVID-19 crisis.

- Municipally owned outdoor public swimming pools are allowed to operate and have public swimming at this time. This opening is at the municipality's discretion.
- Privately owned outdoor public swimming pools at hotels and HOA's and similar facilities are allowed to operate and have public swimming at this time.
- Indoor public swimming pools are not allowed to be open.
- All public swimming pools must practice all of the required social distancing and mask use and follow all CDC and NYS DOH guidelines for operating under COVID-19.
 - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/parks-rec/aquatic-venues.html>
 - https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2020/03/cleaning_guidance_general_building.pdf
- Furniture and physical barriers used to facilitate social distancing must not create any type of safety hazard.
 - Physical barriers cannot be made of glass
 - Physical barriers shall be at least 5 feet away from the pool and safely installed
 - A physical barrier must not present any obstruction to the supervision of the pool

Please be advised that for any public swimming pool to open for use you must have received the permit to operate for 2020. You are required to meet all operational requirements of Title 10, SubPart 6.1- Swimming Pools.

Please be safe and maintain social distancing. This office will keep you informed of any changes in the New York State pause that will affect your swimming pool facility. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at chris.lubicich@suffolkcountyny.gov .

Regards,

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