



Town of Blackstone
Board of Health
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**APPLICATION TO OPERATE A SEMI-PUBLIC/PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL,
 SPECIAL PURPOSE POOL, OR WADING POOL
 105 CMR 435.000**

(Must be submitted at least 30 Days prior to Operation)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Seasonal Pool Operation Period Beginning: (Month, Date, Year): _____

Seasonal Pool Operation Period Ending: (Month, Date, Year): _____

_____ LENGTH: _____

Type of Pool (Swimming, Wading or Special Purpose)

Width: _____ Volume: _____ -

Set Back From, If Applicable)): Well - _____ Feet

Septic Tank - _____ Feet SAS (On-site Soil Absorption System) _____ Feet.

Swimming Area Size - _____ Sq. Feet Non-swimming Area (sq. ft.) - _____

Diving Area: _____ Bather Load Capacity (Maximum Number of people allowed in the water at any time) : _____ (See attached 105 CMR 435.27*Bather Load Capacity to compute swimmer/ bather capacity, 15 sq. ft. per person, please include worksheet)

NUMBER OF TRAINED LIFEGUARDS ON DUTY: PER SHIFT _____

(105 CMR 435.23: Lifeguards: Minimum 1 Lifeguard per 25 bathers or as determined by the Board of Health

NAME OF EACH LIFEGUARD WHO HAS COMPLETED THE CPR, LIFEGUARD TRAINING AND RED CROSS STANDARD FIRST AID CERTIFICATION. (Please attach separate sheet)

NOTE: If no lifeguards are required by the Board of Health, a warning sign shall be posted in a conspicuous location and shall state "WARNING-NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY" in easy to read, legible letters which are at least 4 inches (10cm) high. In addition, there shall be signs which are readily visible stating "CHILDREN UNDER AGE SIXTEEN SHOULD NOT USE THE SWIMMING POOL WITHOUT AN ADULT IN ATTENDANCE" AND "ADULTS SHOULD NOT SWIM ALONE." LIFEGUARDS (If required by the Board of Health) TO BE PRESENT AT POOL AT ALL TMES WHILE POOL IS OPEN At least sixteen years of age Certified as described in 105 CMR 435.23 Standard First Aid CPR Red or Bright Orange bathing Suit Orange Hat or Sun Helmet Sun block or other skin protection Whistle, Bull Horn, or other Voice Amplification One Rescue Tube at each Lifeguard Station A backboard with straps CPO Name Date of Certification



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Phone numbers of Emergency Medical Services, Local and State Police, and Fire Department

SAFETY REQUIREMENTS: Please initial each to confirm safety equipment is on site.

Shepherd's crook or pole to extend greater than 16 feet per 2,000 square feet of water _____

Ring buoy with rope (1-1/2 times width of pool) _____

First aid kit as described in 105 CMR 435.25 _____

Written record of daily attendance, results of chemical tests, dates and times of emptying, cleaning, and backwashing of pool. _____

Sign at entrance to pool requiring a shower before entering pool and forbidding any person with communicable disease to enter pool. _____

Water depth markings on pool deck and vertical pool walls. _____

(Please attach a diagram of the pool showing location of maximum and minimum depths, including location of posting of said depths)

Polyethylene line (or equal) to separate non-swimmers from deeper water. _____

Type of Emergency communication system available at pool at all times with instructions on how to _____

Test kits: Free Chlorine _____ Combined Chlorine _____ OR Bromine _____

PH Total Alkalinity _____ Calcium Hardness _____

Average Flow Meter Rate - _____ Rate Turnover _____

Source of Water: _____

Disposal of Wastewater, Name and Location: _____

Treatment System (Filters: _____



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Kind: _____

Turn Over Rate: _____ Hours Disinfecting Method _____

Method of Water Treatment, Chlorine _____ Special Purpose Pool _____

Chlorinator Capacity (lb.) _____ Chemical Feeders _____

Quantity of Chemical Feeders _____

*105 CMR 435.23: Lifeguards:

(1) The operator shall provide one or more lifeguards 16 years of age or older if the Board of Health determines that they are necessary for the safe use of the swimming or wading pool. The Board, when determining whether there is a need for one or more lifeguards and the number of on-duty lifeguards to be present at the pool at any one time, shall consider the size, shape, and capacity of the swimming or wading pool.

As a guideline, it is suggested that one lifeguard be provided for every 25 bathers. All lifeguards shall hold the following certifications:

- (a) a current Red Cross Lifeguard Training Certificate, or Royal Bronze Medallion, or Boy Scouts of America Lifeguard Certificate or National Y.M.C.A. Lifeguard Certificate or an equivalent certification, provided however, that no such alternative certification shall be deemed equivalent unless it shall contain all the minimum requirements mandated or required by one or more of the foregoing certification programs; and
- (b) a current American Red Cross CPR Certificate for the Professional Rescuer or American Heart Association CPR Certificate for the Health Care Provider, or National Safety Council CPR Training; and
- (c) a Red Cross Standard First Aid Certificate, or a Red Cross Community First Aid and Safety Certificate (which certification may be evidenced by a notation on the back of any Red Cross Lifeguard Training Certificate), or National Safety Council First Aid Training, Level 2, or an equivalent certification, provided however, that no such alternative certification shall be deemed equivalent unless it shall contain all of the minimum requirements of one of the foregoing certification programs.

(2) If no lifeguards are required by the Board of Health, a warning sign shall be posted in a conspicuous location and shall state "WARNING-NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY" in easy to read, legible letters which are at least four inches. (ten cm) high. In addition, there shall be signs which are readily visible stating "CHILDREN.



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UNDER AGE 16 SHOULD NOT USE THE SWIMMING POOL WITHOUT AN ADULT IN ATTENDANCE" and "ADULTS SHOULD NOT SWIM ALONE."

(3) The number of trained lifeguards determined necessary by the Board of Health in accordance with 105 CMR 435.23(1) shall be in constant attendance during bathing hours and no bather shall be admitted to the swimming pool unless this number of lifeguards is present.

(4) All lifeguards while on duty shall wear red or bright orange bathing suits. Any shirt or jacket worn as an outer garment by a lifeguard shall also be red or bright orange and have the word GUARD printed in 4" lettering on the back. All lifeguards shall wear an orange hat or sun helmet outside while on duty. Sunblock or other skin protection should be made available to all lifeguards.

VGB Certification: Please attach Certificate.

FENCE: HEIGHT: _____ TYPE/WIDTH OF DECKING: _____

(5) The operator shall provide whistles and bull horns or other appropriate voice amplification devices to all lifeguards on duty. (6) All lifeguards shall direct their attention to all persons in their assigned areas while on duty. For swimming pools with a bather load capacity of greater than 75, it is recommended that lifeguards be isolated from pool crowds by occupying elevated seats on stands high enough to give them complete and unobstructed views of persons in their assigned areas.

****105 CMR 435.27: Bather Load Capacity:** (1) For the purpose of computing bather load capacity, those portions of the swimming pool five feet or less in depth shall be designated as "non-swimmer" areas. Portions of the pool over five feet in depth shall be designated as the "swimming" area.

(2) In order to compute swimmer and bather capacity, swimming and wading pool areas shall be determined as follows:

- (a) 15 square feet of pool water surface area shall be provided in the non-swimmer area for each non-swimmer expected at time of maximum load.
- (b) 20 square feet shall be provided in the swimming area for each swimmer expected at time of maximum load.
- (c) 300 square feet of pool water surface area shall be reserved around each diving board or diving platform and this area shall not be included in computing the area of the swimming area.
- (d) 100 square feet of pool water surface area shall be reserved around each side and this area shall not be



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included in computing area of the swimming area.

(e) The bather load capacity shall be stated on the permit. (See 105 CMR 435.21(1)).

(3) The Board of Health may make additional allowance for bathers in cases of swimming pools with extensive deck areas used by patrons for lounging or sunbathing. These allowances shall be based on studies of actual swimming pool use in areas within the jurisdiction of the Board of Health.

(4) Ten square feet of water surface area per bather shall be used in computing the bather load capacity for special purpose pools.

Application Checklist:

Completed Application Requested Attachments and Certifications Permit Application Fee of \$150.00 Certificate of Liability Insurance for Pool (Please list the Town of Blackstone as the Certificate Holder.)

I hereby certify that the operator indicated above is thoroughly familiar with CHAPTER V (Minimum Standards for Swimming Pools) of the Sanitary Code of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts 105 CMR 435.000.

Name: _____ Title: _____

Date: _____

BOARD OF HEALTH OFFICE USE ONLY

Application Approved: YES NO

Signature of Board of Health Member

Date