



Community Services Department • Services communautaires

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NOTICE TO OPERATORS

MICROBIOLOGICAL ANALYSIS OF WATER AT SWIMMING POOLS AND OTHER WATER RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Effective May 1, 2007, all owners and operators of swimming pools, whirlpools and other water recreation facilities will be required to sample and submit water samples to accredited laboratories for microbiological analysis. (See Yellow pages for a complete list of laboratories)

Sampling parameters required under the *Swimming Pools and Other Water Recreational Facilities Regulation* (Manitoba Regulation 132/97) include:

Indoor Swimming Pools and Wading Pools (Fill and Draw Wading Pools are Exempt)

- Total Coliform to be sampled quarterly

Whirlpools

- Total Coliform to be sampled quarterly
- *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* to be sampled quarterly

Seasonal (Outdoor) Swimming Pools

- Total Coliform to be sampled monthly

Some facilities may have site-specific concerns (i.e. facilities with water temperatures >30°C and non-traditional facilities such as water parks, etc.). Subsequent to *Section 16(2)* of the Regulation, the Public Health Inspector may require additional parameters be sampled and analyzed at these locations.

All testing parameters required, and their sampling frequencies, will be included on the annual operating permit under *Other Operational Conditions*. Sampling frequencies may be varied as required by the Public Health Inspector depending on such factors as water quality, positive sample results, complaints and disease investigation.

Sample forms should be filled out to include our email address: ems-ehs-notices@winnipeg.ca so that we have a copy of the results as soon as they are reported. Any positive results that are phoned in from the lab should be reported immediately to our department at 986-2234.

Accredited Laboratories used by the City of Winnipeg:

ALS LABORATORY GROUP

1329 Niakwa Road East

Winnipeg, MB R2J 3T4

Phone: (204) 255-9720 / 1-800-607-7555

Fax: (204) 255-9721

BODYCOTE TESTING GROUP

1357 Dugald Road

Winnipeg, MB R2J 0H3

Phone: (204) 982-8630

CANTEST WINNIPEG

Unit D, 65 Berry Street

Winnipeg, MB R3H 1A7

Phone: (204) 772-7276 ext. 221