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Swimming Pool Safety Equipment Checklist

Safety equipment is a necessary part of overall pool safety. All safety equipment MUST be available in a readily accessible, well-marked location prior to your approval to open. Please use the following checklist as a guideline.

_____ A one-piece 12' long rescue pole with blunted ends, one end of which may have a shepherd's crook attached.

_____ A 1/4" diameter throwing rope as long as 1 1/2 times the maximum width of the pool or 50', whichever is less, with one end attached to an 18" diameter ring buoy or rescue bag.

A 24-piece first aid kit which is used primarily to treat small cuts, bruises and burns and which contains all of the following materials or their equivalent:

_____ 4 units of adhesive bandage, 1 inch by 3 inches

_____ 2 units of 2-inch bandage compress

_____ 1 unit of 3-inch bandage compress

_____ 1 unit of 4-inch bandage compress

_____ 2 units of absorbent gauze pad, 3 inches by 3 inches

_____ 1 unit of gauze compress, 18 inches by 36 inches

_____ 2 units of large gauze compress, 24 inches by 72 inches

_____ 2 units of 4-inch gauze roller bandages

_____ 2 units of triangular bandages

_____ 1 unit of scissors

_____ 1 unit of tweezers

_____ 2 units of instant ice packs

_____ 2 units of latex disposable gloves

_____ 1 unit of adhesive plaster tape

_____ A kit to clean up blood spills which consists of as a minimum, a pair of medical-grade latex gloves and an antimicrobial hand wipe.

_____ A spine board that has a minimum of 3 ties, runners, and a head immobilizer.

_____ A telephone or other suitable means of communication for emergencies, at which a sign is posted indicating the phone numbers for emergency response agencies (i.e. 911), and the name and address of the swimming pool to assist emergency personnel in locating the facility.

If your pool has lifeguards, then the following items are also required:

_____ A megaphone or other public address system.

_____ One whistle per lifeguard on duty.

_____ One rescue tube per lifeguard where the water depth is greater than 3.5 feet.

_____ One resuscitation mask per lifeguard on duty.

Please be sure you have all the above items prior to contacting Washtenaw County Environmental Health at (734) 222-3800 for the opening inspection.