## Reopening Swimming Pools after a Power Outage

During a power outage, pool water cannot be circulated or disinfected. Harmful bacteria may grow in the stagnant water, and could pose a health risk to your clients.

## Steps to reopening your pool basins after a power outage

- 1. Superchlorinate your pool water to at least 10 ppm free chlorine.
- 2. Circulate the pool water for at least one (1) turn over period.
- 3. Rebalance the pool water chemistry.
- 4. Submit a bacteriological water sample.
- 5. Confirm with your local public health inspector that your bacteriological water sample was satisfactory.
- 6. Reopen to the public.

If your swimming pool was contaminated by flood water, please review information available at www.albertahealthservices.ca/flood.

Contact us at 1-833-476-4743 or submit a request online at ahs.ca/eph.

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