

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.

For more information, please contact your nearest Environmental Public Health office.

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