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"Artificial bathing place" means an artificially constructed impounding basin for surface water which is to be used for bathing or swimming by an considerable number of persons other than the immediate family of the owner or proprietor. No artificial bathing place shall be constructed until the location is approved by the local director of health of the town, city or borough in which it is located.

- (a) Each such bathing place shall be marked on its rim or otherwise a no greater than eight foot intervals from the shallow end of the area to indicate the depth of the water at such intervals. Where there is a lifeguard on duty there shall also be a raised stand for the lifeguard, so placed that all areas of the bathing place are visible to the lifeguard on duty.
- (b) Each such bathing place shall have minimum equipment consisting of the following: A ring buoy not more than fifteen inches in diameter to which shall be attached a fifty foot length of one-quarter inch line; four pineapple (tightly rolled balls of rope) composed of one-quarter inch line each fifty feet in length; a life pole or shepherd's crook with blunted end, a minimum of twelve feet in length, for each one hundred running feet of perimeter of the area, such poles to be mounted in permanent sockets, on opposite side towards the deep area of the bathing place and attached to the fencing or barrier.
- (c) All bathing places have posted at their entrance (1) directions to the nearest telephone and the nearest first aid unit and resuscitation equipment; (2) the telephone numbers, in print at least one-quarter inches high, of the nearest police and fire departments, rescue squad, ambulance service, hospital and physicians on call in the immediate area.
- (d) When no lifeguard service is in effect, a warning sign shall be placed in plain view and shall state "Warning - No Lifeguard on Duty" with legible letters, at least four inches high.
- (e) The quality of the water shall meet bacterial standards approved by the commissioner and the amount of diluting water shall be not less than 1,000 gallons per day per bather. If the bacterial standard is maintained, the flow requirement may be reduced for short periods of time to no less than 500 gallons per day per bather, with approval of the director of health. This dilution water may be from stream flow or from natural circulation in a large body of impounded water.
- (f) The dressing rooms, hallways, toilet rooms, shower rooms or other rooms to which patrons of pools shall have access shall be kept clean and well ventilated at all times. The floors of all shower rooms and locker rooms shall be treated with chlorine solution or other fungicide daily. No combs or brushes for common use shall be provided.

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