

Check Out Healthy and Safe Swimming!



Look at inspection scores

Before heading to a public pool, hot tub/spa, or another place with treated water, check to see if the latest inspection results are online or onsite.

Do your own inspection



Before getting into any treated water, do your own inspection. Check the following items if they pass your inspection.



Water's pH and free chlorine or bromine concentration are correct.*

Proper pH and disinfectant levels help stop the spread of germs in the water. CDC recommends pH 7.2–7.8. The free chlorine concentration should be at least 1 ppm in pools and at least 3 ppm in hot tubs/spas. The free bromine concentration should be at least 3 ppm in pools and at least 4 ppm in hot tubs/spas.



Drain at the bottom of the deep end is visible.

Crystal-clear water allows lifeguards and other swimmers to clearly see swimmers underwater.



Drain covers at the bottom appear to be secured and in good repair.



Lifeguard is on duty. If not, safety equipment, such as a rescue ring or pole, is available.

If you find any problems during inspection, do NOT get into the water.

Tell the person in charge so the problems can be fixed.





*Use test strips to test pH and free chlorine or bromine concentration. Most superstores, hardware stores, and pool-supply stores sell test strips. Follow the manufacturer's directions.