

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH • WATER RECREATION

Pools not in Operation

GENERAL REQUIREMENT

Washington State Water Recreation Facility Regulations (WAC 246-260-141) require that owners prevent access to pools that are closed (not in operation) by providing locked barriers.

MULTIPLE POOLS IN THE SAME ENCLOSURE

If a pool enclosure area has one pool open and another closed (e.g., seasonal pool and year-round spa), the pool that is closed must be:

- ☐ Posted with signage stating that the pool is closed;
- ☐ Maintained so it does not create a nuisance or disease hazard; and
- Maintained so it meets water clarity standards as outlined in Table 111.2 in WAC 246-260-111;

OR

Covered with a safety cover meeting ASTM standard F1346-91 and not allowing access to the pool.



POOL COVERS FOR POOLS THAT ARE OPEN

All pool covers must be completely removed during periods when the pool is open for use.

POOLS WITH ICE

If a pool that is closed develops an ice layer, it must be covered with a safety cover meeting ASTM standard F1346-91 or the entire pool enclosure area must be closed.

LONG-TERM POOL CLOSURE

If a pool facility is not in operation for more than twelve months, it must be covered with a safety cover meeting ASTM standard F1346-91 or the pool must be back filled.

Questions?

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