

**PHASED REOPENING: SWIMMING POOLS**

A phased approach enables pools to reopen, while protecting the health and safety of employees, patrons, and the general public.

**Recommended Criteria for Phased Reopening****Phase One**

<b>Epidemiology</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decreased test positivity rate for at least 14 days</li> <li>Sustained reduction in number of cases for at least 14 days</li> <li>Decrease in deaths for at least 14 days</li> </ul>	
<b>Health Care</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sufficient PPE for all health care workers even if cases double</li> <li>Sufficient face masks available to provide to patients seeking care, even if cases double</li> <li>More discharges than admissions for COVID-19 within a 7 day period</li> </ul>	
<b>Public Health</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All cases interviewed for contact elicitation</li> <li>Contacts elicited for at least 90% of cases</li> <li>Capacity to monitor all confirmed cases and their contacts</li> <li>Capacity* to test all people who are symptomatic</li> </ul>	* Testing capacity is influenced by a loosening of testing criteria, availability of nasal swabs to obtain sample, and the availability of PPE.



Move to **Phase Three** if the criteria above is met, a reduction in cases for an additional 14 days is observed, and a vaccine is available.

**Phase Two**

<b>Epidemiology</b>	Sustained reduction in cases for an <b>additional</b> 14 days
<b>Health Care</b>	Same as Phase One
<b>Public Health</b>	Same as Phase One

**Phase Three**

All previous criteria is met and vaccine is available

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Mitigation Guidance			
Action	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
Wash hands often	Continue	Continue	Continue
Cover Coughs/Sneezes	Continue	Continue	Continue
Stay home when ill	Continue	Continue	Continue
Use of mask/cloth covering when outside of pool	Continue	Continue	Discontinue
Surface/object cleaning	Continue	Continue	Continue
Isolation of cases	Continue	Continue	Continue
Social distancing both in and out of pool	Continue, 6ft	Continue, 6 ft	Pause social distancing
Social Gatherings	Limit to 10 people	Limit to 50 people	Allow all gatherings
Employee PPE Required	Gloves, mask or cloth face covering, increased hand hygiene, when outside the pool	Gloves, mask or cloth face covering, increased hand hygiene, when outside the pool	Job-appropriate PPE
Employee Health Checks	Yes	Yes	No
Capacity	50% of bather load	50% of bather load	100% of bather load
Pool Deck Seating	Spaced at least 6 ft apart	Spaced at least 6 ft apart	No spacing requirements
Concession Stand	Yes	Yes	Yes
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Self-Service Food	No	No	Yes
Locker Room Housekeeping	Increased housekeeping procedures, increased restroom cleaning	Increased housekeeping procedures, increased restroom cleaning	Regular housekeeping procedures, regular restroom cleaning
Communal Use Items	Limited	Limited	Normal

\*Please see the CDC for cleaning guidance: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/disinfecting-building-facility.html>