



HAYWOOD COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

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Date: April 14, 2017

To: Swimming Pool and Spa Owners and Operators

From: Donna Brown

Food & Lodging Section, Environmental Health
Haywood County Health & Human Services

The 2017 pool season has arrived. The application to operate a swimming pool and/or spa and the pool drain compliance form is enclosed. The application, the Pool Drain Safety Compliance Data form and fees must be received in our office prior to any pool visits, inspections or operation permits being used. The pool drain form has been updated with instructions and is required to be completed each year in an effort to verify the age of the drain covers, any pump changes & skimmer equalizer status. Pool and spa drain covers/grates are rated for a limited number of years depending on the product. **Please note your drain covers which have reached their expiration date will be required to be replaced. Appropriately rated covers/grates are required to meet or exceed the maximum pump flow. If your pool pumps have been replaced it will affect the selection of an appropriate drain cover/grate.** Skimmer equalizers are required to be protected to avoid entrapment. Please see the enclosed memo regarding skimmer equalizer fittings or plugging skimmer equalizer lines. Appropriate skimmer equalizer fittings or plugs are required. Disabling or plugging skimmer equalizers will eliminate the need for covers. Existing pools that would like to keep their skimmer equalizer lines covered with appropriate equalizer fittings may do so.

A letter regarding electrical system safety at public swimming pools is enclosed. The letter recommends that pools evaluate the safety of their electrical systems on a regular basis.

NO permit will be issued to allow a pool to open without the proper Drain Cover Data & Pump compliance data, application, fee payment & compliance with all applicable rules. Pool and spa fees are as follows: seasonal fee per pool or spa is \$120.00 & year round is \$170.00. We accept checks (made payable to Haywood County Health & Human Services) and some credit cards (Visa, MasterCard or Discover).

Mail to:

**Haywood Health & Humans Services,
Environmental Health
157 Paragon Parkway, Suite 200
Clyde, NC 28721**

Other items to verify prior to having your pool inspected include the following:

Proper signage: NC Pool Rule signs regarding: swimming alone, children swimming, glass, pets, showers, and specific wording and letter size as stated in Rule .2530.

Gate latch must be at the appropriate height and working properly to self-close and latch.

Emergency phone WORKING & permanently affixed with sign for address and phone number in place.

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Safety equipment in place and in good repair (proper handle on the body hook)

Rules may be obtained at <http://ehs.ncpublichealth.com/rules.htm>. Click on: 15A NCAC 18A.2500 Rules Governing Public Swimming Pools

Please call us with your pool question: Norma Barrett 828-356-2105; Donna Brown 828-356-2104; Aubrie Welch 828-356-2109.