

# Swimming/Wading Pool Checklist



SWIM1	Agency Name:	
SWIM2	Total number of swimming or wading pools assessed:	_____ pools
SWIM3	Name/ location of the swimming or wading pool:	
SWIM4	Is there a continuous unobstructed route of travel from entrance (if indoor facility) or parking (if outdoor facility) to the swimming or wading pool?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <input type="checkbox"/> photo
SWIM5	Is the route of travel well-lit?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <input type="checkbox"/> photo
SWIM6	Describe the surface of the route of travel:	
SWIM7	Slope of route of travel (at its steepest incline):	_____ % (enter 0% if flat)
SWIM8	Width of route of travel (at its narrowest point):	_____ inches (at least 36")
SWIM9	Location of pool:	<input type="checkbox"/> indoors <input type="checkbox"/> outdoors
SWIM10	Does the pool have an entrance in addition to the main entrance?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <input type="checkbox"/> photo
SWIM11	If yes, clear open width of door or entrance to pool area:	_____ inches (at least 32")
SWIM12	Opening force of door:	_____ pounds (5 pounds or less)
SWIM13	Handle type <b>entering</b> : <input type="checkbox"/> automatic <input type="checkbox"/> knob <input type="checkbox"/> pull <input type="checkbox"/> push/pull paddle/bar <input type="checkbox"/> entry set-top button <input type="checkbox"/> lever <input type="checkbox"/> push plate <input type="checkbox"/> other:	
SWIM14	Handle type <b>exiting</b> : <input type="checkbox"/> automatic <input type="checkbox"/> knob <input type="checkbox"/> pull <input type="checkbox"/> push/pull paddle/bar <input type="checkbox"/> entry set-top button <input type="checkbox"/> lever <input type="checkbox"/> push plate <input type="checkbox"/> other:	
SWIM15	Clear space on pull side of door:	_____ inches (at least 18")
SWIM16	Indicate type of pool:	<input type="checkbox"/> swimming <input type="checkbox"/> wading
SWIM17	Do all areas for entering/exiting the pool provide space for wheelchair maneuvering? (60" circle)	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <input type="checkbox"/> photo
SWIM18	Indicate means of access to the pool (check all that apply): <input type="checkbox"/> ladder: number of rungs: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> stairs: number of steps: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> transfer system <input type="checkbox"/> other: <input type="checkbox"/> lift <input type="checkbox"/> sloped entry (zero depth) <input type="checkbox"/> transfer wall	
SWIM19	Is a handrail provided?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <input type="checkbox"/> photo
SWIM20	If a transfer wall is provided, provide the dimensions of the wall:	_____ inches high (16"-19" ) by _____ deep (12"-16")
SWIM21	If a lift is provided, can the lift be operated independently by the user without assistance?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <input type="checkbox"/> photo
SWIM22	If a lift is provided, is there a weight restriction on the lift?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <input type="checkbox"/> photo
SWIM23	If yes, list maximum weight:	_____ pounds
SWIM24	Is there an area in the pool where persons who move slowly can swim without interfering with other swimmers?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <input type="checkbox"/> photo
SWIM25	Are temperature and other controls able to be operated with a closed fist?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <input type="checkbox"/> photo
SWIM26	Is a thermometer measuring water temperature visible from within the pool?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <input type="checkbox"/> photo
SWIM27	Are depth markers clearly visible from outside the pool?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <input type="checkbox"/> photo
SWIM28	Depth of shallow end of pool:	_____ feet
SWIM29	Depth of deep end of pool:	_____ feet
SWIM30	Does the surface immediately around the pool have a detectable warning texture (such as an area of raised domes of a contrasting color which is used to mark the location of pool edges)?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <input type="checkbox"/> photo
SWIM31	Is there equipment available that might benefit a person? (aqua noodles, kick boards, water wheelchair, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <input type="checkbox"/> photo
SWIM32	If yes, please list:	

SWIM33	Indicate features available at this pool: <input type="checkbox"/> slide <input type="checkbox"/> diving board <input type="checkbox"/> sloped entry ramp <input type="checkbox"/> zero-depth entry pool <input type="checkbox"/> other:		
SWIM34	Is a lifeguard available during all swim times to provide assistance?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> n/a <input type="checkbox"/> photo
SWIM35	Comments/additional information about swimming or wading pool:		

## Swimming/Wading Pool Checklist Information

### Definitions for Swimming/Wading Pools:

- **Pool lift** is a piece of equipment which transfers a person directly into the water.
- **Transfer wall** allows a person to transfer from a wheelchair to a raised wall surrounding the spa or hot tub. The depth (how wide the wall is) of the transfer wall must be 12 inches minimum and 16 inches maximum.
- **Transfer systems** include raised platforms or stairs that allow a person to transfer to the stairs or platform to enter and exit the water.
- **Zero Depth or Sloped Entry** provides a ramp that provides access into the pool. There is a section of the pool where the water depth at the pool entry/edge is level with the ground (zero or near zero depth) and gradually gets deeper.



Transfer Wall



Pool Lift



Pool Transfer System



Zero Depth or Sloped Entry

### Additional information for completing Swimming/Wading Pool Checklist:

Swimming must have at least two accessible means of entering the pool. Accessible means of entry shall be swimming pool lifts, sloped entries, transfer walls, or transfer systems.

**EXCEPTION:** Pools that are less than 300 linear feet are only required to have one accessible means of entry. The one accessible means must be either a pool lift or sloped entry.

Wading pools must have a sloped entry.

Pool lifts shall be located where the water level does not exceed 48". The lift shall be capable of unassisted operation from both the deck and water levels. Controls and operating mechanisms shall be unobstructed when the lift is in use.

Where more than one means of access is provided into the water, it is recommended that the means be different. Providing different means of access will better serve the varying needs of people with disabilities in getting into and out of a swimming pool. It is also recommended that where two or more means of access are provided, they not be provided in the same location in the pool. Different locations will provide increased options for entry and exit, especially in larger pools.