

Swimming Pool Use

964.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose is to establish and implement written policy and procedures for the use of swimming pools in juvenile facilities. This policy applies to all juvenile facility staff.

964.2 AUTHORITY AND REFERENCES

- American Red Cross;
- Board of State and Community Corrections Title 15 § 1371;
- California Code of Regulations Title 22, Chapter 20;
- California Building Code Title 24;
- Riverside County Department of Environmental Health.

964.3 POLICY

Each juvenile facility shall comply with state and county laws and regulations in regard to swimming pool use. Staff certified by the American Red Cross shall supervise youth whenever the pool is in use.

964.4 TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

Staff supervising youth at the pool shall have completed American Red Cross Basic Water Rescue and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) training and hold a current certificate of completion. Staff are required to complete the Red Cross Basic Water Rescue Course every three years.

964.5 SWIMMING POOL USE

Guidelines for swimming pool use:

- (a) Staff shall obtain prior approval from the duty officer (DO) before utilizing the pool;
- (b) Youth shall be accompanied by staff at all times while in or near the pool;
- (c) The pool shall be used only when authorized staff are supervising;
- (d) No diving shall be permitted;
- (e) No running shall be permitted on the deck;
- (f) Proper swim wear shall be worn at all times;
- (g) Physical contact between swimmers shall not be permitted; and
- (h) Staff shall lead and supervise constructive recreational activities for youth in the pool.

All state and county laws and regulations shall be adhered to including, but not limited to the following:

- (a) Toilets and showers shall be available for use prior to entering the pool;

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- (b) Routine operating procedures shall be posted;
- (c) A daily record of pool maintenance and operation shall be kept;
- (d) Signs shall be posted in a conspicuous place reflecting:
 - 1. The maximum number of occupants;
 - 2. "No Diving";
 - 3. "No Life Guard on Duty";
 - 4. "Use toilets and showers before entering the pool";
 - 5. Artificial resuscitation schematic; and
 - 6. Dial (9) 911 in an emergency.
- (e) A body hook with a permanently attached 12 foot fixed-length rescue pole shall be available at poolside;
- (f) A life ring with attached rope to span the width of the pool from poolside shall be present;
- (g) Depth markers shall be clearly visible (located at maximum, middle, and minimum depths; at the break in slope; on both sides; and at both ends);
- (h) Depth markers shall be located on pool deck (if pool exceeds 20 feet in width);
- (i) Staff shall be available to cooperate with the Riverside County Department of Environment Health's annual inspection;
- (j) Staff shall be prepared to enter the pool whenever necessary to assist youth who are exhibiting difficulties in the water. Staff shall comply with proper life saving techniques;
- (k) Youth shall comply with all regulations of the pool site or be restricted from pool use; and
- (l) Youth who are medically restricted from pool use shall be prohibited.

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