There has been a question concerning the definition of available cited in the Recreational Water Facility Rule, 64 CSR 16. Section 9.1, requires, except for bathing beaches, that a Qualified Water Facility Operator be available for consultation at all times a recreational water facility is open. This policy memorandum is being issued to clarify this question.

Ideally, every pool should have a Qualified Water Facility Operator on site during all hours of operation to deal with any suddenly emerging water quality, operational, safety, maintenance, supervisory or other issue. However, it is realized that having a full-time Qualified Water Facility Operator on site at each facility is not practical.

The Sanitarian’s liaison committee has provided the following definition for available, as it relates to a Qualified Water Facility Operator in Section 9.1:

- can be reached by telephone within 30 minutes,
- can be on site within 60 minutes of notification, and
- visits the recreational water facility a minimum of 1 time per week during the period of operation.

References

64 CSR 16, Recreational Water Facilities Rule

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