

Hygiene concept for outdoor pools

(IAW pertinent corona ordinances of the state of Rhineland-Palatinate)

All outdoor pools must meet the following hygiene requirements:

- 1. The valid requirement for physical distance and the valid contact limitations shall be guaranteed by these measures:
 - a. Access to the outdoor pool must be controlled in such a way that no more visitors enter the pool than spaces and facilities can be used by meeting the physical distance requirement:
 - for an area of up to 800 sq. meters one person per 10 sq. meters is permitted
 - in case the area has a size of more than 800 sq. meters, the aforementioned applies and on the area exceeding the 800 sq. meters only 1 person per 20 sq. meters is allowed
 - b. The individual areas of the outdoor swimming pool must be clearly separated from each other. A "mixing" or group formation of bathers is to be avoided. In particular, the sports and possibly non-swimming areas with adjacent green areas must be separated from the toddler pool with adjacent green areas. In addition, all functional areas including changing rooms, sanitary facilities and kiosks need to be clearly separated from the green areas by markings and a suitable path concept.
 - In the outdoor swimming pool, adequate supervision of the guests must ensure that the required distance of at least 1.5 m and the applicable contact restrictions are always complied with.
 - c. A separate designation of areas for families is recommended.
 - d. Ensuring the minimum distance in the basin is the responsibility of the supervisory personnel.

2. Set up of area

- a. A route concept must be established for the routes on the pool area. If possible, a one-way route with suitable markings must be provided.
- b. Compliance with the minimum distance rules and the limitation of persons are indicated in each area of use by notice boards



- c. Swimming pools must be equipped with railway markings ("ropes"). A concept for orderly swimming operation has to be created. When using small children's and non-swimmer's pools, the physical distance requirement needs to be met.
- d. Queues and gatherings at the cashier's cage or in front of facilities (showers, changing rooms, entrances to the pools) must be avoided. The distance of at least 1.5 meters per person must be ensured. Waiting areas must have appropriate markings on the floor.
- e. All guest and business rooms must be adequately ventilated. Sanitary facilities must be permanently ventilated as far as possible.

3. Person related measures:

- a. Persons with symptoms of respiratory infection should be denied access.
- b. Community facilities, in particular showers and changing rooms, are released for single use only or family members of one household.
- c. For visitors, the applicable protection measures and rules of conduct (incl. general rules of infection protection such as "how to sneeze correctly", classification of cold symptoms, etc.) are to be identified by suitable signs.
- d. All persons must wash or disinfect their hands when entering the pool area. The manager of the pools must provide suitable washing facilities or disinfection dispensers.
- f. The manager of the pool must ensure that contacts can be tracked. Contact details shall be collected and kept for one month in compliance with data protection regulations; after the expiration date of the retention period, the data must be deleted immediately. Data retention obligations arising from other legislation remain unaffected. Responsible health authority may, if necessary for the performance of its tasks under the provisions of the Infection Protection Act (IfSG) and the pertinent corona ordinance, request information about the contact details; the data must be transmitted without delay. Processing of the data for other purposes is not permitted. Data transmitted to the responsible health authority must be deleted irreversibly from the responsible health authority as soon as the data is no longer needed for the performance of the task.

4. Measures at the Facility:

a. All contact surfaces should be cleaned regularly with a grease-dissolving cleaner or disinfected with an at least limited viridical agent.



- b. Catering may be provided either under the requirements for street sales (kiosk without seats) or the requirements for gastronomy (food or beverages will be consumed exclusively at tables. Bar and counter areas can be opened for the sale and delivery of food and beverages; however, these guests are not allowed to stay there). Self-service at open beverage dispensers remains inadmissible until further notice. Bottles may be sold.
- c. The rental of swimming utensils (swimming noodles, diving rings, etc.) is not permitted, if they cannot be disinfected after use.
- d. Cashiers can be protected by plexi-glass dividers. Personal, which is protected by such a divider or other appropriate protective measures, is exempt from the requirement to wear a mouth-nose protection. Employees in contact with guests in closed rooms must wear a mouth-nose covering. Specialist staff may be exempt from this rule as they have to be ready to rescue guests.
- e. Steam rooms and saunas may not be used.

5. In general:

- a. A responsible person must be appointed on site to ensure compliance with the regulations.
- b. Persons who are not prepared to comply with these rules are to be denied access within the framework of the domestic authority.
- c. In addition and upon request, the responsible authority can, in justified individual cases, allow exceptions or other hygiene requirements if a requirement under a corona ordinance is not mandatory, the level of protection appears comparable and the purpose of the corona ordinance is observed.