



RECOMMENDED RESPONSE TO BLOOD ACCIDENTS IN AQUATIC VENUES

The purpose of this document is to provide aquatic venue operators and technicians recommended procedures and guidelines to follow in the event of a blood accident. The recommended procedures are applicable to all types of aquatic venues (i.e., swimming, wading, special use, and spas).

When blood contamination of an aquatic venue occurs the following actions are recommended:

1. Instruct aquatic venue management to have all users exit the aquatic venue.
2. Test the water to insure that the free available chlorine concentration is at least 1 ppm or 1.5 ppm if the venue is using stabilized chlorine (3 ppm in spas or 4 ppm total bromine in spas.)
3. If the disinfectant concentration is adequate users may re-enter the aquatic venue immediately.