SWIMMING POOL PRE-OPENING CHECKLIST
(Please use this checklist to ensure you will be ready for your opening inspection)

WATER QUALITY

_____ Is chlorine or bromine residual acceptable? (See enclosed disinfectant levels required in the new rules)
_____ Is pH between 7.2 and 8.0?
_____ Is alkalinity greater than 50 ppm?
_____ Is cyanuric acid (stabilizer) less than 100 ppm?
_____ Is combined chlorine less than or equal to 0.5 ppm?
_____ Is the water temperature less than or equal to 104 degrees F?
_____ Is the water clear; can you see the main drain clearly?

LIFE SAFETY

_____ Are an adequate number of units of lifesaving equipment provided for each 2000 square feet of water surface?
_____ Does each unit of lifesaving equipment include: a ring buoy (or rescue tube where there is a lifeguard) attached to a rope that is 1-1/2 times the width of the pool but not over 60 ft.; a life pole or shepherd’s crook (blunted ends) at least 12 ft. in length?
_____ *For pools with lifeguards: Is there a fully stocked first aid kit?
_____ *For pools with lifeguards: Is there a spine board with ties within the pool enclosure?
_____ Is lifesaving equipment plainly marked “FOR EMERGENCY USE ONLY”?

EQUIPMENT AND OPERATION

_____ Are all inlets working properly?
_____ Are all weirs and skimmer baskets in place?
_____ Are skimmers working properly?
_____ Is the pump working properly?
_____ Is the hair/lint strainer in place and routinely cleaned?
_____ Is the flow meter properly sized and operating?
_____ Is water being re-circulated at least one turnover every 6 hours for swimming pools, every 2 hours for wading pools and every 1/2 hour for spa pools?
_____ Are pressure gauges working properly?
_____ Is system operating at recommended pressure levels and backwashed as needed?
_____ Is the disinfectant feeder operating continuously?
_____ *For pools with heaters: is there a functioning thermometer in the return line to the pool?
_____ Are all threaded faucets equipped with vacuum breakers?
_____ Are all chemicals stored in a dry, ventilated area in a safe manner?
POOL

_____ Are the pool walls and bottom in good condition (no flaking paint, cracks, chips, etc.) and are they clean?
_____ Is the drain cover secure and of anti-vortex design?
_____ Is all lighting in safe and working condition?
_____ Are all ladders and handrails secure?
_____ Are depth markings at least 4” in height provided on the pool deck and the wall of the pool?
_____ Are depth markings identified as “FT” or “IN”?
_____ Is the change in slope on the pool bottom marked by a 6” contrasting stripe?
_____ Are decking and walkways clean and in good condition (no weeds, tripping hazards, large cracks, depressions, etc.)?
_____ Is the leading edge of all stair treads marked by a contrasting stripe which is 1/2 – 2” wide?
_____ Is the decking marked “NO DIVING” where required?
_____ Is fencing provided where required, of proper design, and in good repair?
_____ DOES THE GATE EASILY SELF−CLOSE AND SELF−LATCH FROM EVERY POSITION???
_____ Are all warning signs posted? (Safety & sanitation, no lifeguard, parental supervision, 911, location of nearest telephone, and pool capacity)
_____ Are all diving boards in good repair?
_____ Do all diving wells comply with the dimensions required in the new pool rules?

RECORDS & PERSONNEL

_____ Are pool logs kept daily?
_____ Does testing equipment include a DPD test kit, a phenol red pH test kit, an alkalinity test kit and, where stabilizer is used, a cyanuric acid test kit?
_____ Are all pool test kits provided with fresh chemicals?
_____ Is the on-site operator currently certified?

SUPPORT FACILITIES

_____ Are dressing rooms and shower facilities well-maintained and clean?
_____ Are restrooms equipped with hand soap, paper towels, and toilet tissue?
_____ Are restrooms well-maintained and clean?
_____ Is proper ventilation provided to include restrooms, shower facilities, and equipment rooms?
_____ Are handwashing sinks and showers provided with water at least 90 degrees F but not more than 130 degrees F?

**PLEASE NOTE: If your pool does not meet the requirements at the time of your appointment, you may not be permitted to open. Call and reschedule your appointment if you have a problem.**