



County of Yolo

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Public Pools and Spas FAQs During Shelter-in-Place Order

Should we close our pool and spa?

- **YES.** As part of the Shelter in Place order, gatherings are not allowed. Therefore, **all pools and spas** operating under permit from this office **must not allow** entry except for the maintenance of the pool. Pool gates must be locked and a sign posted stating that the pool and spa are closed.
- A public pool or spa is any body of water that holds a County of Yolo Permit to Operate.
- Exception: a medical therapy pool which is part of a healthcare facility may continue to operate.

Can my pool maintenance company continue to operate?

- YES. Routine maintenance including cleaning, chemical balancing and adjustments only.
- Not maintaining the chemical balance and filtration may pose other health risks to you and to the community. If your pool maintenance company is not operating due to the Shelter-in-Placer Order the operator is responsible for maintaining the chemistry.

Are you accepting plan submittals during the Shelter-in-Place Order?

- **NO.** We are not accepting plan submittals for new pool construction or remodeling at this time.
- If you need to replace a pump or filter during this time please contact Lewis Kimble at lewis.kimble@yolocounty.org

Are you conducting pool construction inspections during the Shelter-in-Place Order?

- Pool construction inspections have been suspended at this time unless delaying completion of the project would pose a safety, security or sanitation risk.
- Please contact Lewis Kimble at lewis.kimble@yolocounty.org if you have questions on your project.

Is the Environmental Health office open during the Shelter-in-Place order?

- The Environmental Health office is closed to the public during the Shelter-in-Place Order however, inspectors are still working remotely.
- Environmental Health email and voicemail are checked on a daily basis. You can email at environmental.health@yolocounty.org or leave a message at 530-666-8646.

Can Coronavirus be spread through pools or spas?

- Per the CDC there is no evidence that coronavirus can be spread to humans through the use of pools and spas. Visit the CDC website for more information at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/water.html>

Where can I find additional information on the Shelter-in-Place Order or Coronavirus?

- Visit the Yolo County Coronavirus website at <https://www.yolocounty.org/coronavirus>