

Signage Requirements - Public Pools

Public Pools Signage Requirements	Lettering / Stroke Size	Ontario Regulation section	Location posted
CAUTION SWIM AT YOUR OWN RISK THIS POOL IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF ONTARIO REGULATION 565 (PUBLIC POOLS)	25 mm / 5 mm	4.1 (1)(3)	Hotels with fewer than six units; post in a conspicuous place within the pool enclosure
The perimeter of the pool deck is clearly delineated by painted lines or other means where any area contiguous to the pool deck may be confused with the deck.	N/A	6 (6) (e)	
Recommend posting: Guardian or designated person must supervise children under 10 years of age. Swimming competency test is required.		6 (21)	
CAUTION THIS POOL IS UNSUPERVISED. BATHERS UNDER TWELVE YEARS OF AGE ARE NOT ALLOWED WITHIN THE POOL ENCLOSURE UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT OR HIS OR HER AGENT WHO IS NOT LESS THAN SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE.	25 mm	17 (19) (a)	Class B Pool with a water surface area of 93 square meters or less; post in a conspicuous place within the pool enclosure
CAUTION THIS POOL IS UNSUPERVISED. BATHERS UNDER TWELVE YEARS OF AGE ARE NOT ALLOWED WITHIN THE POOL ENCLOSURE UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT OR HIS OR HER AGENT WHO IS NOT LESS THAN SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE. THE TOTAL NUMBER OF BATHERS ON THE DECK AND IN THE POOL SHALL NOT EXCEED TEN.	25 mm	17 (19) (b)	Class B Pool with a water surface area of more than 93 square meters and number of bathers does not exceed 10; post in a conspicuous place within the pool enclosure

No person infected with a communicable disease or having open sores on their body shall enter the pool No person shall bring a glass container onto the deck or into the pool No person shall pollute the water in the pool in any manner and that spitting, spouting of water and blowing the nose in the pool or on the deck are prohibited	19 (1) (i- vi)	Post at not fewer than two places at the pool
No person shall engage in boisterous play in or about the pool		
The maximum number of bathers permitted on the deck and in the pool at any time is		
A telephone that is available for emergency use is located		
Emergency Telephone	19 (3)	Post at the emergency telephone
Call 911 SPEAK CLEARLY AND SLOWLY Identify type of emergency (e.g. drowning, electrical shock, etc.) Provide: - Facility Name:		
- Facility Address:		
- Facility Phone #:		
4. Special instructions (e.g. pool entrance, stretcher access, specific location details, etc.)		
SPECTATORS FORBIDDEN FROM WALKING UPON THE DECK WITHIN 1.80 METERS OF THE EDGE OF THE POOL	19 (4)	Post at permanent spectator gallery adjacent to the deck
Each bather shall take a shower using warm water and soap and thoroughly rinse off all soap before entering or re-entering the deck	19 (5)	Post at the entrance to each shower area and at every entrance to the deck used by bathers

Markings; water depths indicating the deep points exceeding 2,500 mm, breaks between gentle and steep bottom slopes and the shallow points and the words DEEP AREA / SHALLOW AREA	100 mm	19 (6)	Display at appropriate locations on the deck
CAUTION – AVOID DEEP DIVES or SHALLOW WATER – NO DIVING	150 mm	19 (7)	Where a pool has a maximum water depth of less than 2.50 meters; post in a conspicuous location
DANGER – AVOID DEEP OR LONG DIVES	150 mm	19 (9)	Where a Class B pool is equipped with a diving board, subject to regulatory specifications; post in a location clearly visible to divers
CAUTION – NO DIVING		19 (10)	Where a pool is provided with one or more ramps; post in a conspicuous location on each wall or fence enclosing pool
UNSUPERVISED BATHERS ARE NOT ALLOWED BEYOND THIS POINT	25 mm	19 (11) (i)	Where a pool is provided with one or more ramps that are NOT submerged, adjacent to the pool wall for access to water and there is a removable barrier separating the deck from the ramp; post at the ramp(s)

BATHERS ARE NOT ALLOWED BEYOND THIS POINT	25 mm	19 (11) (ii)	Where a pool is provided with one or more ramps that ARE submerged, adjacent to the pool wall for access to water and there is a removable barrier separating the deck from the ramp; post at the ramp(s)
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