



## Public Health Environmental Health Services

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SUBJECT: Drained Public Swimming Pools/Spas

This letter is to inform you that the County of San Bernardino, Department of Public Health, Division of Environmental Health Services (DEHS) has established a separate health permit fee category for swimming pools/spas that are drained and will not be placed into use during the term of the permit. This reduced permit fee is \$181 per pool/spa instead of the current fee of \$448. The health permit covers the cost to conduct an annual inspection to ensure the area surrounding the pool/spa is maintained to prevent safety hazards. This includes but is not limited to ensuring the following:

- Fencing is secure and gates are kept locked
- Pool/spa is free of water at all times to prevent mosquito breeding and eliminate a drowning hazard
- Other conditions that may cause a public nuisance

If there are no future plans to use the pool/spa, DEHS strongly recommends proper demolition through the local building department. Once proof of demolition is provided to DEHS, a health permit will no longer be required.

To qualify for a drained pool/spa permit, operators must complete and submit the enclosed application. DEHS will review the application and upon approval the pool/spa will be reclassified into the drained pool/spa permit category.

For additional information, please contact DEHS at 1-800-442-2283, on our website at [www.sbcounty.gov/dehs](http://www.sbcounty.gov/dehs) or visit us at one of the following locations:

385 N. Arrowhead Ave. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0160

15900 Smoke Tree St., Ste. 131  
Hesperia, CA 92345

8575 Haven Ave., Ste. 130  
Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Nichol".

Jim Nichol  
Supervising Environmental Health Specialist

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**APPLICATION FOR A DRAINED SWIMMING POOL(S)/SPA(S) PERMIT  
DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES (DEHS)**

**POOL/SPA INFORMATION:**

Facility ID:		PR #:	
Facility Name:			
Pool/Spa Streetaddress:		City:	
Pool/Spa location: (i.e. Front office, east, west)			
Type of recreational health facility:	<input type="checkbox"/> Pool	<input type="checkbox"/> Spa	<input type="checkbox"/> Wading Pool <input type="checkbox"/> Other

Reason why swimming pool/spa is drained:	
Length of time it has been drained:	
Explanation of safety measures that will be taken to prevent access to the pool/spa enclosure:	

**OWNER INFORMATION:**

Name of owner:		Email Address:	
Mailing address:		City:	Zip Code:
Contact Person:		Telephone:	

**OPERATOR (On-site Manager) INFORMATION:**

Name of Manager:		Email Address:	
Address:		Contact Number:	
City/Zip:			

By signing this document you agree to and acknowledge all of the following; the area surrounding the pool/spa is fenced/secure and kept locked to prevent a potential safety hazard, the pool/spa is not a public nuisance, it is kept free of water at all times to prevent mosquito breeding, routine inspections will be conducted by EHS (required to ensure health and safety of the public), and a valid DEHS health permit must be maintained (permits will be inactivated only upon proper demolition of the pool/spa.) The pool/spa cannot be reopened for use until all current State and Local requirements are met. Prior to opening a drained pool, plans must be submitted to DEHS for review and approval. Final approval by DEHS is required prior to reopening the pool/spa for use.

Signature:		Date:	
Print name:			