



Request for Therapy Use Exemption from Swimming Pool & Spa Rules

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This form should be completed by an authorized facility representative, agency, or owner.

Facility Info

Facility Name:			
Facility Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	County:

Owner Info

Owner Name:		
Owner Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:

Facility Representative Info

Authorized Representative:	
Contact Phone:	Contact Email:

Swimming Pool(s) Info (attach additional sheets if necessary)

#	<input type="checkbox"/> Pool <input type="checkbox"/> Spa	Surface Area (ft ²):	Volume (gls)
Registration Number (If Previously Registered):			
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Registration Number (If Previously Registered):			

Swimming pools or spas used exclusively for therapy under the direct supervision of qualified medical personnel are exempt from regulation pursuant to Iowa Administrative Code 641—15.1(2)

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Certification

I certify the following:

(check all boxes to acknowledge)

- The swimming pool or spa will be used exclusively for therapy.**
“Therapy” means medical treatment of an impairment, injury, disease, or disorder. Therapy does not include general exercise or wellness activities to maintain physical fitness and mobility.
- The swimming pool or spa will be used under direct supervision**
“Direct supervision” means supervision provided by an individual physically present in the immediate vicinity, within sight of, and available to provide direction to and respond to the needs of the individual(s) under their care.
- The supervision will be provided by qualified medical personnel.**
“Qualified medical personnel” means an individual licensed by the State of Iowa in a medical profession who is providing treatment within the scope of their professional license

Signature

Under penalty of perjury and pursuant to the laws of the State of Iowa the preceding is true and accurate

It is understood that if at any time it is determined that the above conditions for exemption no longer apply or are being violated, the swimming pool and/or spa will be subject to regulation under Iowa Administrative Code 641 Chapter 15.

Signature or Authorized Representative

Date

Iowa Swimming Pool Rules

Therapy Use Exemption Guidance (updated April 5, 2023)

Under the Iowa Administrative Code 641 Chapter 15 – Swimming Pools and Spas, the chapter does not apply to a swimming pool or spa used exclusively for therapy under the direct supervision of qualified medical personnel.

641—15.1(135I) Applicability

15.1(1) These rules apply to swimming pools, spas, wading pools, water slides, wave pools, spray pads, and bathhouses connected to swimming pools owned or operated by local or state government, or commercial interests or private entities including, but not limited to, public or private school corporations, hotels, motels, camps, apartments, condominiums, health clubs and country clubs. These rules do not apply to a residential swimming pool or spa that is permanently installed in a single-family dwelling, to a decorative fountain, or to a therapeutic swimming pool or spa which is under the direct supervision of qualified medical personnel.

To operate an unregistered swimming pool or spa under the therapy use exemption the following three conditions must be met at all times the swimming pool or spa is in use.

1. The swimming pool or spa must be used exclusively for therapy.

“Therapy” means medical treatment of an impairment, injury, disease or disorder.

Therapy does not include general exercise or wellness activities to maintain physical fitness and mobility.

2. The swimming pool or spa must be under direct supervision.

“Direct supervision” means supervision is provided by an individual physically present in the immediate vicinity, within sight of, and available to provide direction to and respond to the needs of the individual(s) under their care.

3. The supervision must be provided by qualified medical personnel.

“Qualified medical personnel” means an individual licensed by the State of Iowa in a medical profession who is providing treatment within the scope of their professional license.

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