



PROCEDURE 4.3.2

USE OF SCHOOL SWIMMING POOL PROCEDURE

PRINCIPLE:

Tokomaru School maintains its swimming pool for safe use by pupils of the school. Where appropriate, these procedures are based on recommendations as outlined in the New Zealand Standard NZS5826: 2010 Pool Water Quality.

PROCEDURES:

A. Pool Use

1. The school pool will be available for swimming by pupils of the school from the beginning of Term 1 until a date decided at the discretion of the Principal (usually around Week 6) during school hours / while school is open. It will also be open towards the end of Term 4 (weather permitting).
2. No animals are permitted in the swimming pool (and no dogs are allowed on school property).
3. The fencing around the pool will be maintained according to Ministry of Education guidelines, and access to the pool is only to occur through a single gate. This gate is to remain locked during times when the pool is not in use.

B. Pool Water Testing

1. At the commencement of each swimming season, the school employee with the responsibility for water testing/water treatment (Caretaker/ nominated person) is to review his/her testing and treatment procedures with the Principal.
2. During weekdays (and once over the weekend), pool water is tested daily and treated as appropriate.
3. During the first two weeks of the swimming season, a sample of treated water will be sent to an independent laboratory for further microbial testing to ensure that the water treatment procedure at the school is satisfactory.
4. Material Safety Data sheets covering all hazardous chemicals used in pool water treatment are to be available to the employee responsible for water testing/treatment.
5. It is the responsibility of the BOT to ensure that the employee understands the implications of use of the chemicals outlined within the Material Safety Data sheets.

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