

## **Skagit County Public Health**

Jennifer Johnson, Director Howard Leibrand, M.D., Health Officer

"Always working for a safer and healthier Skagit County"

Dear Pool Operator,

Since early 2012, the Skagit County Public Health has had a **new requirement for pool operators**. We have developed a training module which focuses on the essential health and safety elements of operating a public pool or spa. **Each pool operator will be required to view the Pool Operator Training Presentation and pass a multiple choice test. Operating permits will not be issued or renewed without documentation of completed training.** There is no fee for the test, but your pool operating permit depends on it. You will need to complete the test in hard copy and submit a signed test to the Health Department. The Training Module and Test are available on our website at <u>www.skagitcounty.net/EH</u>. If you do not have internet access you may request a hard copy of the presentation and the test by calling 360-416-1500 or you can access materials via our office from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm Monday through Friday.

Submit the completed test by mail, in person, or scan into email to the following address or e-mail: Skagit County Public Health

700 S 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Room 301 Mount Vernon, WA 98273 Or EH@co.skagit.wa.us

Your permit to operate a public pool or spa will not be issued until you have completed the training and passed the test with a score of 90% or higher. We highly recommend that you have all employees who will be in any way responsible for your pool or spa facilities complete the training and test also.

Thank you for your commitment to keeping swimming waters safe in Skagit County.

Sincerely,

Polly Dubbel Living Environment Program Lead

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