

Home Pool Essentials™ Maintenance and Safety



Healthy Pools.
Healthy Bodies.



Purpose

To help home pool owners properly operate and safely enjoy a home pool or hot tub by understanding the risks of home pool ownership and learning the steps to maintain a pool, and how to plan for what to do in an emergency.

Prerequisites

None; Internet access needed to enroll and participate in this online training

Learning Objectives

- Maintenance
 - Identify common water problems and learn steps to achieve good water clarity
 - Learn about common home pool filters and the steps to clean them
 - Learn effective disinfection, water circulation and filtration
 - Identify procedures to test pool water and how to safely add chemicals
 - Identify different types of disinfectants used to maintain clear pool water

- Safety
 - Identify layers of protection to prevent unsupervised access to home pools
 - Learn how to actively supervise children around water
 - Learn steps to help prevent pool and hot tub entrapment hazards
 - Learn steps to help prevent diving accidents
 - Identify and list the safety equipment that should be in the pool or hot tub area
 - Identify characteristics of a distressed swimmer, an active drowning victim and a passive drowning victim
 - Describe steps for performing reaching, throwing and wading assists and the circumstances in which these rescues would be used

Length

Approximately 2 hours; participants have 6 months of access to the self-paced, self-guided online course and resources.

Course Delivery Method

Computer-led online education program available at www.homepoolessentials.org

Certification Requirements

- Complete the entire online course
- Successfully complete knowledge assessments after each lesson.

Certificate Issued and Validity Period

Home Pool Essentials™: Maintenance and Safety– No validity period

Participant Materials

Home Pool Essentials™: Maintenance and Safety Resource Guide (downloadable resource to help reinforce the home pool maintenance and safety lessons learned online)