



Mid-Season VGBA Compliance Checklist

for Commercial Pools & Spas

Use this checklist as a quick facility walkthrough before conducting a more detailed VGBA compliance review.

Facility Name: _____

Inspection Date: _____ Inspector: _____

Drain Covers

- ☐ Verify every drain cover is marked and certified to the applicable suction outlet safety standard.
- ☐ Inspect for cracks, loose fasteners, missing screws, or physical damage.
- ☐ Confirm each cover's flow rating matches your recirculation system.
- ☐ Verify covers are installed using manufacturer-approved hardware.
- ☐ Check manufacturer replacement or expiration dates where applicable.

Anti-Entrapment Protection

- ☐ Confirm your pool's anti-entrapment configuration is correctly documented.
- ☐ Test your Safety Vacuum Release System (SVRS), if installed.
- ☐ Verify manual restart settings where required.
- ☐ Inspect suction-limiting vent systems for obstructions.
- ☐ Confirm drain disablement documentation, if applicable.

Documentation

- ☐ VGBA Compliance Verification Form on file.
- ☐ Drain cover manufacturer and model information available.
- ☐ Installation dates recorded.
- ☐ Flow calculations available.
- ☐ SVRS testing log current.
- ☐ Manufacturer documentation readily accessible.

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- ☐ Previous inspection records available.
- ☐ Corrective actions documented and completed.
- ☐ Equipment manuals accessible on-site.

Operational Checks

- ☐ Emergency shut-off switches operational.
- ☐ Equalizer line covers inspected (if applicable).
- ☐ Staff understand damaged drain cover procedures.
- ☐ Posted pool rules are current and legible.

Planned Equipment Changes

- ☐ Determine whether local plan review is required.
- ☐ Pump or motor upgrades reviewed for impact on drain cover flow ratings.
- ☐ Drain cover flow ratings verified before increasing system flow.
- ☐ Compliance documentation updated following equipment modifications.
- ☐ Complete compliance paperwork during equipment replacement—not afterward.

Corrective Actions Needed

Target Completion Date: _____

Disclaimer

This checklist is provided for general educational purposes and does not replace manufacturer instructions, local code requirements, or professional engineering review. Facility owners and operators are responsible for verifying compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations.

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