



Is your pool
drain safe?

A “Certificate of Conformity” letter from an Engineer or Architect is required to certify your pool - Or you must provide Items listed on State’s Check List:

- New Drain Covers for all suction outlets
- Original documentation for the drain covers and Sump (drain pot).
- Copies of the drain cover and sump pump documents for the Health Department
- Sump (drain pot) with visible model number.
- Inspection of unit during installation.
- Original intact pump tag showing specifications.
- Pump-curve diagram matching pump.
- Max flow on pump curve regardless of head loss must not exceed design

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appointment today!*

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Is Your Pool in compliance with the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act?



Do you need assistance in evaluating your pool drain?

To verify compliance with the new drain safety standards, contact Appian at 1.800.248.9290

North Carolina Rules Governing Public Swimming Pools will require compliance before permits will be issued this year.

What is Required

- ASME/ANSI A112.19.8-2007 allows for a certified pool engineer to independently assess and test the grate to see if it meets the standard (hair test, UV ray, durability, flow rate)
- PE will need to put his/her name on the line on a “certificate of conformity”.
- All public swimming pools are required by FEDERAL LAW to comply.
- Effective date of Federal Law was December 19, 2008.

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) is again reminding public pool and spa owners and operators nationwide that the **Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act** becomes effective on December 19, 2008. This law requires installation of anti-entrapment drain covers and other systems as outlined in the Act.

The Pool and Spa Safety Act was enacted by Congress and signed by President Bush on December 19, 2007, and is designed to prevent the tragic and hidden hazard of drain entrapments and eviscerations in pools and spas. Under the law, all public pools and spas must have ASME/ANSI A112.19.8-2007 compliant drain covers installed and a second anti-entrapment system installed, when there is only a single main drain. Congress gave all affected pool and spa operators one year to comply with this law.

Public pools and spas that operate year-round are expected to be in compliance by December 19, 2008. CPSC staff has taken the position that seasonal public pools and spas that are currently closed must be in compliance with the law on the day that they reopen in 2009. Pool and spa operators are encouraged to continue working as diligently as possible to come into compliance. As the agency and state Attorneys General are empowered to close down any pool or spa that fails to meet the Act's requirements.

“Our mission at the CPSC is to keep American families safe,” said Nancy Nord, CPSC Acting Chairman. “CPSC will enforce the requirements of this pool and spa safety law with a focus on where the greatest risk of drain entrapment to children exists, such as wading pools, pools designed specifically for toddlers and young children, and in-ground spas, particularly where these types of pools and spas have flat drain grates and single main drain systems.”

Nord added, “State health and enforcement agencies share the responsibility to ensure this law is properly enforced. I recommend these agencies take the same approach as CPSC concerning enforcement priorities.”



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