

Recreational water testing

The chemical and microbiological quality of recreational water is an important part of the day to day maintenance of spas and swimming pools. To ensure the safety of bathers, regular monitoring needs to take place.

How can you ensure that the unique properties of your facilities are taken into consideration?





The monitoring of recreational waters is an integral part of the day to day maintenance of pools and spas to ensure the safety of bathers. The microbial load on a pool can change rapidly depending on the stresses put on the facility.

Therefore, a robust and up to date monitoring programme attached to a comprehensive risk assessment is required. This needs to take into account the current guidance and unique properties of the individual pool or spa, as well as give instructions on how to effectively react to any incidents.

Our Service

Due to the nature of pools and spas, testing and monitoring should be carried out more frequently than on other water systems. The experts at Intertek can assist you with both chemical and microbiological monitoring.

Chemical Monitoring

Our water specialists conduct regular chemical monitoring of pools and spas. These tests take place on site with further verification testing carried out at our UKAS accredited laboratory.

Where chlorine derivatives are used, we ensure that this level is always monitored on site because of the reactive nature of the substance.

Microbiological Monitoring

Intertek can carry out microbiological monitoring at our accredited laboratory. We understand that each individual pool and spa has unique properties which means that there is no one size fits all for the testing frequency of pools.

We therefore provide a bespoke service; determining the frequency of testing by using the factors outlined in your risk assessment and up to date guidance for the type of pool in operation.

Any circulating hot water system in the facility such as the showers should be included in the sampling plan.

Our microbiological monitoring of pools and spas service includes;

- Total Viable count at 37°C (24 hours) cfu per ml
- Total Coliform cfu per 100ml
- E.Coli cfu per 100ml
- Enterococci cfu per 100ml
- Pseudomonas aeruginosa cfu per 100ml
- Legionella (any heated pool or spa) cfu/ litre

Benefiting You

Intertek is a partner you can trust for this critical service. With our experience, expertise and cutting-edge facilities, you can ensure that your customers are protected, and that you fully comply with all current legislation and guidance.

- Our own fleet of dedicated temperature controlled vehicles to collect samples
- A team of expert analysts who are highly trained to the standards required by our customers
- Access to our online sample registration and reporting system; NetPortal
- Our water testing services are part of a global network of testing facilities
- Alongside our analytical expertise, we offer day-to-day support, consultation and training services
- Our local expertise and world-class talent can help you navigate local, national and international regulations
- Our specialists can deliver reliable results with fast turnaround times, essential for maintaining your standards and credibility

With You All The Way

Intertek is a leading quality solutions provider to industries worldwide. From auditing and inspection, to testing, training, advisory, quality assurance and certification, we at Intertek not only add value from farm to fork but also support the health and safety of our customers with on time delivery of accurate results, enabling our customers to care for their environments as effectively as possible.

With a network of more than 1,000 laboratories and offices and over 44,000 people in more than 100 countries, Intertek supports companies' success in the global marketplace, by helping customers to meet end users' expectations for safety, sustainability, performance, integrity and desirability in virtually any market worldwide.

At Intertek, it is our sole mission to provide not only the one-stop-shop you seek for all safety and quality services but to establish a trusted partnership with your business - consistently adding value and increasing your competitive advantage in the industry with every step we take together.

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