

Are you maintaining proper disinfection to your aquatic surfaces and equipment?

To make sure, follow these CDC recommendations:

- For disinfecting hard surfaced aquatic equipment use a diluted bleach solution. This can be made by mixing 5 tablespoons of bleach per gallon of room temperature water OR 4 teaspoons of bleach per quart of room temperature water. Submerge the equipment for 1 minute.
- For disinfecting porous aquatic equipment such as: noodles, life jackets, balance boards, etc. one suggestion is as follows. Use a container with fresh pool water and the chlorine product that is on-site for shocking the pool. Make sure to follow the instructions on the chemicals label.
 - For example if your site has granular calcium hypochlorite with the container instructions that state “10-16oz per 10,000 gallons of water to shock at 8-10ppm” this could translate to 1 teaspoon of product mixed with 26 gallons of room temperature pool water; confirm with proper water chemistry testing. Dip your porous equipment in after each use. Should likely submerge for longer than 1 minute. The water should be changed daily.
- In regards to general cleaning and disinfecting, take care to complete at least daily or for shared objects, with each use. Don't forget to clean:
 - Handrails, slides, and structures for climbing or playing
 - Lounge chairs, tabletops, pool noodles, and kickboards

For further details regarding cleaning, disinfecting, and disinfecting products please refer to:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/reopen-guidance.html>