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Dear residential pool owner/operator:


It has come to the attention of York Region Public Health that you may be using or promoting the use of your pool or spa (hot tub) for swimming lessons and/or rental purposes through websites, sharing platforms or advertisements.

This letter is to advise you that any pool or spa in Ontario (including residential pools and spas) that is used for swimming lessons and/or rental purposes is subject to the [Ontario Regulation 565 - Public Pools](#) under the [Health Protection and Promotion Act](#). The purpose of this regulation is to ensure pools and spas used for business activities are operated in a way that protects the health and safety of the people who use them.

If you currently use or intend to use your residential pool or spa for swimming lessons and/or rental purposes, you are required to notify the local health department under the public pools regulation 14 days before starting operation. Please submit the [Application to Operate a Recreational Water Facility](#) notification form to York Region Public Health. A Public Health Inspector will contact you once the form is received. Please note that your pool or spa may also be subject to the Ontario Building Code or local bylaw requirements, as well.

For more information, please contact Health Connection at 1-800-361-5653, extension 4 to speak with a Public Health Inspector or e-mail health.inspectors@york.ca.

Thank you for your cooperation,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Becky Hester".

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