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SUBJ/ALARACT 049/2024 – RECREATIONAL WATER FACILITIES SURVEYS AND SYSTEM OF RECORD

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1. (U) REFERENCES:

1.A. (U) AR 40–5, ARMY PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM

1.B. (U) DA PAM 40–11, ARMY PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM

1.C. (U) TB MED 575, RECREATIONAL WATER FACILITIES

1.D. (U) TM 5–662, SWIMMING POOL OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

1.E. (U) DEFENSE OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH READINESS SYSTEM (AVAILABLE AT [HTTPS://DOEHRS-IH.CSD.DISA.MIL](https://doehrs-ih.csd.disa.mil))

1.F. (U) TB MED 531, FACILITY SANITATION CONTROLS AND INSPECTIONS

1.G. (U) DODI 6490.02E, COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH SURVEILLANCE (AVAILABLE AT [HTTPS://WWW.ESD.WHS.MIL](https://www.esd.whs.mil))

1.H. (U) DODI 6055.05, OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH (AVAILABLE AT [HTTPS://WWW.ESD.WHS.MIL](https://www.esd.whs.mil))

2. (U) PURPOSE: TO REINFORCE TB MED 575 STANDARDS FOR CONDUCTING RECREATIONAL WATER SURVEYS AND INSPECTIONS BY INSTALLATION PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITIES (IPHA).

3. (U) APPLICABILITY: ALL GOVERNMENT OWNED OR PRIVATIZED RECREATIONAL WATER FACILITIES ON ARMY INSTALLATIONS OR FACILITIES.

4. (U) IN ACCORDANCE WITH DA PAM 40–11, PARAGRAPH 4–4, PROPER EXECUTION OF TB MED 575 IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE IPHA. COMPLIANCE IS CRITICAL TO ENSURE THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF RECREATIONAL WATER USERS. IN MOST CASES, THE IPHA IS THE SERVICING

MEDICAL TREATMENT FACILITY, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH (ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH).

5. (U) A REVIEW OF ARMYWIDE INSPECTION DATA SHOWS A PATTERN OF DEVIATION FROM TB MED 575 STANDARDS WITH REGARDS TO INSPECTION FREQUENCY AND POOL WATER TURNOVER RATE COMPLIANCE.

6. (U) PRE-OPENING INSPECTIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED FOR ALL FACILITIES APPROXIMATELY 30 DAYS PRIOR TO OPENING. ROUTINE INSPECTIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED WEEKLY AFTER OPENING. THE IPHA SHOULD COORDINATE WITH FACILITY OPERATORS TO ENSURE INSPECTIONS ARE COMPLETED AS REQUIRED. PRE-OPENING AND ROUTINE INSPECTIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH TB MED 575.

7. (U) MINIMUM RECREATIONAL WATER FACILITY RECIRCULATION (TURNOVER) RATE WILL BE DETERMINED DURING PRE-OPENING AND ROUTINE INSPECTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH TB MED 575, CHAPTER 2, SECTION IV, PARAGRAPH 2-35B(1) (MINIMUM 4 TURNOVERS/24 HOURS). NOTE THAT TB MED 575 TABLE 2-2 WILL BE UPDATED TO PROPERLY REFLECT THE CORRECT TURNOVER RATE.

8. (U) FACILITIES NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH TURNOVER OR OTHER HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS MUST FOLLOW TB MED 575 PROCEDURES TO PROVIDE TEMPORARY CONTROLS AND REQUEST A WAIVER OR CLOSE FOR USE UNTIL STANDARDS ARE MET.

9. (U) ORGANIZATIONS ARE ENCOURAGED TO WORK WITH THEIR IPHA TO RESOLVE ANY QUESTIONS OR ISSUES WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TB MED 575.

10. (U) THE OFFICE OF THE SURGEON GENERAL (OTSG) IS THE WAIVER AUTHORITY FOR TB MED 575.

11. (U) IN ACCORDANCE WITH TB MED 575, THE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH MODULE OF THE DEFENSE OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH READINESS SYSTEM (DOEHRS) IS THE SYSTEM OF RECORD FOR ALL INSPECTION DATA. USE OF DOEHRS TO ARCHIVE INSPECTION REPORTS IS MANDATORY.

12. (U) THE FOLLOWING DOEHRS DATA ENTRY FORMS ARE AUTHORIZED FOR INSPECTIONS:

12.A. NATURAL BATHING AREA.

[HTTPS://PH.HEALTH.MIL/PHC%20RESOURCE%20LIBRARY/DOEHRS-FORM-REC-WATERS-NATURAL-BATHING-SURVEY.PDF.](https://ph.health.mil/phc%20resource%20library/doehrs-form-rec-waters-natural-bathing-survey.pdf)

12.B. TREATED RECREATIONAL WATER ANNUAL/PRE-OPENING.

[HTTPS://PH.HEALTH.MIL/PHC%20RESOURCE%20LIBRARY/DOEHRS-FORM-REC-WATERS-TREATED-ANNUAL-SURVEY.PDF](https://ph.health.mil/phc%20resource%20library/doehrs-form-rec-waters-treated-annual-survey.pdf).

12.C. TREATED RECREATIONAL WATER ROUTINE (WEEKLY).

[HTTPS://PH.HEALTH.MIL/PHC%20RESOURCE%20LIBRARY/DOEHRS-FORM-REC-WATERS-TREATED-ROUTINE-SURVEY.PDF](https://ph.health.mil/phc%20resource%20library/doehrs-form-rec-waters-treated-routine-survey.pdf).

13. (U) DOEHRs ACCESS IS REQUESTED THROUGH [HTTPS://DOEHRS-IH.CSD.DISA.MIL](https://doehrs-ih.csd.disa.mil), COMM: 1-800-600-9332, EMAIL: DHA.JBSA.J-6.MBX.MHS-SERVICE-DESK@HEALTH.MIL.

14. (U) DOEHRs SYSTEM TRAINING AND RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE AT [HTTPS://PH.HEALTH.MIL/TOPICS/ENVIROHEALTH/HRASM/PAGES/DOEHRS RESOURCES.ASPX](https://ph.health.mil/topics/envirohealth/hrasm/pages/doehrs_resources.aspx).

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16. (U) THIS ALARACT MESSAGE EXPIRES ON 24 JUNE 2025.