

Water Quality Assessment for Open-air Swimming

Basic Water Quality Categories:

Water Suitable for Swimming

Description: Clean water with low health risk when used for recreational purposes, with satisfactory properties identifiable by human senses.

Symbol: 😊

Water with Impaired Properties but Suitable for Swimming

Description: Clean water with low health risk when used for recreational purposes, with impaired properties identifiable by human senses. It is appropriate to take a shower after swimming if possible.

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Water of Impaired Quality

Description: Slightly increased health risk when used for recreational purposes. Some more sensitive individuals might develop a health condition. It is recommended to take a shower after swimming.

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Water Inappropriate for Swimming

Description: Water quality fails to meet hygienic standards and is hazardous to human health. Swimming is not recommended especially for sensitive individuals as stated in Sect. 10 Par. 2 of the Sanitary Decree.

Symbol: 😞

Water Dangerous for Swimming

Description: Water quality fails to meet sanitary standards and poses an acute risk to human health. Swimming prohibited.

Symbol: 😡