



Swimming Pool Permission Form

Family Child Care

Dear Parent or Legal Guardian:

The 2002 Minnesota Legislature passed a bill that allows swimming pools to be used by family and group family child care providers when certain requirements are met. These requirements are specified in [Minnesota Statutes section 245A.14, subdivision 11](#).

A swimming pool may be used only if all of the following requirements are met:

The parent or legal guardian of the child has provided written consent to the license holder which includes a statement that the parent or legal guardian has received and read the document written by the Department of Human Services and the Department of Health titled: "Swimming Pool Risks" and also includes a statement that the Department of Health, Department of Human Services, and the county agency will not monitor or inspect the provider's pool;

The parent or legal guardian has entered into a written contract with the child care provider that specifies that the provider agrees to comply with all the requirements in [Minnesota Statutes, section 245A.14 subdivision 11](#); and

The provider has not received a correction order or conditional license related to supervision or health and safety of children within the previous 24 months.

Please read the Swimming Pool Risks form, as well as the legislation (a link to the statutory language is located at the end of this page) and decide whether or not to permit your child(ren) to use the swimming pool while under the care of your family child care provider.

If you have questions about the changes regarding swimming pools, please contact your local public health department or the Minnesota Department of Health. If you have questions about child care licensing you should contact your local county Social Services Agency, or you may call the Minnesota Department of Human Services.

After completion, please give this form to your child care provider. This form will document your decision.

By signing this form, I am acknowledging that I have read the document written by the Department of Human Services and the Department of Health titled: "Swimming Pool Risks." I have been given the opportunity to talk with my child care provider about the use of the swimming pool, and I understand the risks associated with the use of a swimming pool by my child(ren) while they receive child care services.

By signing this form, I acknowledge that the provider's pool will not be inspected or monitored by the Department of Health, the Department of Human Services or the county social services agency.

By signing this form, I am acknowledging that I have entered into a contract with my child care provider and that the contract specifies that the provider agrees to perform all of the requirements in [Minnesota Statutes section 245A.14, subdivision 11](#). I understand that the county social services agency will NOT monitor the terms of my contract with the family child care provider.

By signing this form I am acknowledging that I understand that if my child care provider receives a correction order or a conditional license related to the supervision or health and safety of children, the provider is then prohibited from allowing children cared for to continue to use the swimming pool located at the home.

I **do** consent to my child care provider's use of the swimming pool with my child(ren).

I **do not** consent to my child care provider's use of the swimming pool with my child(ren).

Name of Child(ren)

Signature of Parent and Date

Signature of Provider and Date