

## Swimming pools - Part 2: Safety requirements for operation

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## Foreword

This document (EN 15288-2:2008) has been prepared by Technical Committee CEN/TC 136 "Sports, playground and other recreational equipment", the secretariat of which is held by DIN.

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- *Part 1: Safety requirements for design*
- *Part 2: Safety requirements for operation*

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## Introduction

Pools come in a wide range of types, from water parks with thousands of visitors per day, through communal pools, to hotel and guest houses. Such a wide range implies a gradation of the safety requirements, considering the specific level of hazards. It should also be considered that in Type 1 swimming pools the user expects poolside supervision, while in other Types the user may not expect it.

On the basis of regular risk assessment, the operators of swimming pools should take reasonable measures to ensure the safety of users taking into consideration the risks as well as the restrictions imposed by technical and commercial factors.

Pool operators should also consider EN 15288-1, when carrying out risk assessments.

This European Standard includes requirements, recommendations and notes. While compliance with requirements is mandatory, recommendations indicate best practices and notes give additional information and/or explanations.

## 1 Scope

This European Standard specifies safety requirements for operating of classified pools according to clause 4. It is intended for those concerned with the operation and management of classified swimming pools. It provides guidance about the risks for staff and users associated with public swimming pools, by identifying the precautions needed to achieve safety.

This European Standard has limited application to classified pools which consist of segregated areas of rivers, lakes or the sea. The requirements for safe working methods and supervision should be followed insofar as they are relevant.

## 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

EN 15288-1:2008, *Swimming pools — Part 1: Safety requirements for design*

EN ISO 14121-1, *Safety of machinery — Risk assessment — Part 1: Principles (ISO 14121-1:2007)*

ISO 7001, *Graphical symbols — Public information symbols*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

### 3.1

#### **pool/swimming pool**

facility, with one or more water areas, intended for swimming, leisure or other water based physical activities

### 3.2

#### **indoor swimming pool**

one or more constructed water areas for bathing enclosed in a building, covered by a roof (fixed or moveable)

### 3.3

#### **outdoor swimming pool**

one or more constructed open-air water areas for bathing

### 3.4

#### **private use**

use of an installation designated solely for the owner's/proprietor's/operator's family and guests including the use connected with renting houses for family use

### 3.5

#### **public use**

use of an installation open to everyone or to a defined group of users, not designated solely for the owner's/proprietor's/operator's family and guests independently from paying an entrance fee

### 3.6

#### **therapeutic pool**

designed to provide medical and physiotherapeutic care under control of a competent person

NOTE Pools destined for fitness and related activities are not considered therapeutic pools.