

MEMORANDUM

STATE OF ALASKA
Department of Environmental Conservation
Food Safety and Sanitation Program

To: Food Safety and Sanitation Program Date: September 7, 2007
Environmental Health Laboratory

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Program Manager Subject: Pool/Spa Water Analysis



PURPOSE

To provide an alternate approved method for heterotrophic plate count (HPC) analysis of pool/spa water to assess compliance with the requirements of 18 AAC 30.550 Water, Wastewater, and Solid Waste.

POLICY

There is a commercially available product called "SimPlate®." This product is approved by EPA for use in monitoring source water under the Surface Water Treatment Rule. It is now in the 21st Edition of *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water & Wastewater* Online and is applicable to swimming pool testing as well. SimPlate® may be used as an alternate to the methods specified in 18 AAC 30.550 for analysis of pool/spa compliance samples.

AUTHORITY

18 AAC 30.955 Waiver of Provisions.