

NATIONAL RECREATION & PARK ASSOCIATION
AQUATIC FACILITY OPERATOR
CERTIFICATION COURSE
 HOSTED BY IPRA
OCTOBER 12-13, 2010



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We have received and processed your registration for the **Aquatic Facility Operator (AFO) Certification Course and Exam**. Please review the following details carefully. Also, enclosed please find your AFO Certification Course Manual. **You are strongly encouraged** to read this manual thoroughly prior to coming to the course. Classroom time will move more quickly and be more productive for you if you go through the manual and relate the textbook material to your own facility.

LOCATION Park District of LaGrange 708/352-1762
 536 East Avenue, LaGrange, IL 60525

CLASS SCHEDULE
 (SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE TO ACCOMMODATE STUDENT/INSTRUCTOR NEEDS.)

Tuesday, October 12, 2010

8:00 am – 8:30 am	Registration
8:30 am – Noon	Morning Session
Noon – 1:00 pm	Lunch (to be provided)
1:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Afternoon Session

Wednesday, October 13, 2010

8:30 am – Noon	Morning Session
Noon – 1:00 pm	Lunch (to be provided)
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Afternoon Session
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	AFO Certification Exam

CLASS CONTENT

Section 1: Introduction

Section 2: How the Pools Work

- Circulation
- Filtration
- Heating and power

Section 3: Water Chemistry

- Essential chemicals
- Sanitation
- Chlorination
- Ozonation
- Pool water balance
- Pool water testing
- Problems and solutions

Section 4: Aquatic Facility Environment

- Automation and control
- Peripheral and deck equipment
- Preventive maintenance plan
- Safety consideration

CLASS CONTENT <i>(CONTINUED)</i>	<p>Section 5: Aquatic Facility Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Renovation and modernization ➤ Seasonally operated pools ➤ Dehumidification ➤ Risk management ➤ Accident prevention ➤ Liability ➤ Staff organization ➤ Marketing <p>Section 6: Written Examination</p>
COURSE MATERIALS	<p>This course includes a copy of the NRPA's Aquatic Facility Operator Manual, the most complete and comprehensive publication available on pool operations. Author Kent G. Williams has over 30 years of experience directing beginners and experienced pool managers through the often complex process of aquatic operations.</p>
ADVANCE PREPARATION	<p>Class participation is strongly encouraged. Please feel free to share any pool problems or show-and-tell items with your fellow participants (i.e., rusted parts, record-size mud balls, etc.) In addition, you will gain more from the course if you bring the following information about your pool.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Dimensions ➤ Gallonage ➤ Filter Type ➤ Pump Type ➤ Chemical Type(s) and Quantity ➤ Any other technical knowledge relating to your pool and/or equipment
CEUs	<p>Upon successful completion of the AFO course, participants will be awarded 1.5 CEUs. You will be required to sign an attendance roster for NRPA's records before leaving. NRPA will forward a transcript of your attendance within six to eight weeks.</p>
CERTIFICATION	<p>Upon successful completion of the AFO course and a 50-question exam, the National Certification Board of NRPA will officially certify participants. Certification is valid for five years and is renewable. AFOs will be entered into the National AFO Database and informed of re-certification requirements in advance of their expiration.</p>
SUGGESTED ATTIRE	<p>Casual and comfortable</p>
QUESTIONS	<p>Contact Sheila Mulvey-Tatoris, IPRA Member Services Specialist at either sheila@ilipra.org or at 630/376-1911, X208.</p>