



WATER RECREATION FACILITY PETITION FOR RULE REVISION

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The Immediate Problem

- A health club facility with access to the pool through doors with a 60-inch-high latch.
- To allow access the health club would block the doors in an open position.
- Action taken: DOH worked with LHJ to correct the problem within the current regulatory framework.



The Ongoing Problem

- The existing code language requires latches are:
 - Continuously locked with key or code access if less than 60 inches high; or
 - 60 inches high.
- Actions taken:
 - Invite petitioner to TAC meetings.
 - Proposed rule language to better support ADA access.



Proposed Rule language

“All public access gates or doors serving as part of an ...ENCLOSURE *and* an ACCESSIBLE ROUTE shall be the self-locking type operated by means of a key, electronic opener, or combination lock with latches between 34 and 48 inches high or

Self-latching devices that are not self locking must be at least 60 inches above the ground and are only allowed on ENCLOSURE gates and doors that are *not* ACCESSIBLE ROUTES.”

Intent:

- Reverse the focus from 60-inch-high latch to locked doors.
- Increase the # of accessible doors and gates at facilities.
- Allow 60-inch-high latch as an option only when a door or gate is not on an “accessible route”.

Questions?
