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### ADVISORY NOTICE

STATEWIDE COMPLIANCE FORM  
For ANTI-ENTRAPMENT DEVICES AND SYSTEMS

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**All operators of public swimming pools must submit an Anti-Entrapment Compliance Form for each public swimming pool as described in this letter.** Forms do not have to be completed for therapy pools, splash pads, spray grounds or interactive water features with no impoundment of water. The compliance form is to be completed by the public pool owner, signed by a qualified contractor or engineer, and filed with the Food and Housing Division (FHD) of the Department of Environmental Health (DEH).

This advisory is to inform you that the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has created an Anti-Entrapment Compliance Form for statewide use. The attached form is accompanied by instructions for completing the form to meet the requirements of the new California Health & Safety Code sections 116064.1 and 116064.2, which became effective January 1, 2010. The earlier form, released in December of 2009, is still valid and will be accepted. However, the new state form must be used if you have not provided the Food and Housing Division (FHD) with an Anti-Entrapment Compliance Form for each pool.

**As a reminder, the State of California's Public Swimming Pool Anti-Entrapment law became effective January 1, 2010 and requires public swimming pools constructed prior to January 1, 2010 be retrofitted by July 1, 2010 with anti-entrapment drain covers or systems that meet ASME/ANSI or ASTM performance standards.** Existing pools with a single main drain that is not unblockable must have one of the following devices in addition to the anti-entrapment drain covers; a safety vacuum release system (SVRS), a vent system, a gravity drain, an automatic pump shut-off or other system approved by CDPH. Existing pools with main drains spaced less than three (3) feet apart are considered to be a single main drain and are to have a secondary system installed. A properly installed dual main drain system is an acceptable retrofit and is the recommendation of FHD. All suction outlets must have an anti-entrapment drain cover(s) including skimmer equalizer lines. The Anti-Entrapment Compliance Form shall be submitted to FHD within thirty (30) days of the completion of work.

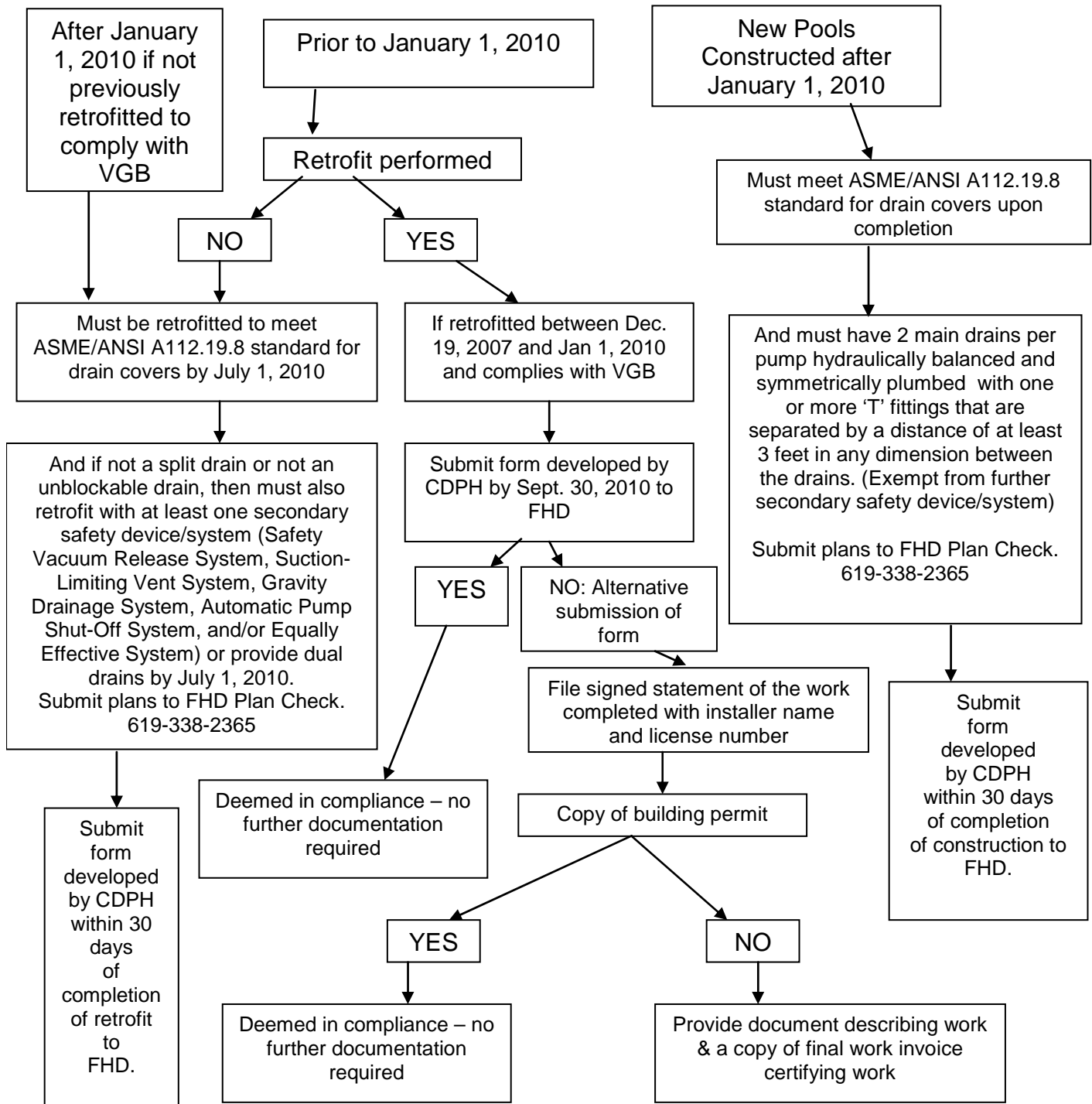
**Plans shall be submitted to and approved by FHD Plan Check unit prior to any work involving dual suction outlets, the installation of unblockable drains or any of the systems or devices listed above.** Plans are not required for simple installation of approved anti-entrapment drain cover(s) which are listed and meet ASME/ANSI performance standard A112.19.8 where no modification of the sump or plaster is required per manufacturer's instructions.

**Pools that completed work to comply with Federal requirements of the Virginia Graeme Baker Act (VGB) prior to January 1, 2010 only need to complete the Anti-Entrapment Compliance Form** or send in a signed statement of the work completed with the installer's name and license number along with the building department final or a final work invoice certifying completion. This must be sent to the FHD prior to the deadline of September 30, 2010. **The addition of split drains or an unblockable drain for VGB compliance shall have also been completed under FHD plan review.**

For more information, contact the FHD Duty Specialist at (619) 338-2379 or FHD Plan Check for technical questions at (619) 338-2365 or visit our website at [http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/deh/water/pool\\_whatsnew.html](http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/deh/water/pool_whatsnew.html) or the California Department of Public Health website:

<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/HealthInfo/environhealth/water/Pages/PublicPoolandSpaSafetyAct.aspx>

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