*Safe Work Practices* Cleaning the Hot Tub

**Hazards:** Chemicals used to clean and maintain the hot tub

**Equipment:** Scrub brush, rubber water hose, Ecolab lemon lift

**Personal protective equipment:** Respirator mask, eye protection, rubber gloves

**Training required:** Training by health club manager

**Legal requirements:** WHMIS requirements (sections 5.3–5.19 of the OHS Regulation), *Public Health Act* — Pool Regulation (BC Reg. 296/2010)

# Safe work practices

1. Close the hot tub down for guests.
2. Close the steam valve carefully.
3. Drain the hot tub.
4. Put on personal protective equipment.
5. Spray the walls and sides of the hot tub with the cleaner. Let the chemicals stand for 15 minutes.
6. Scrub the walls, including corners and grout to remove all growth.
7. Rinse the walls, tiles, and corners with cold running water for 5 minutes.
8. Clean up any leftover water that has spilled onto the floor and under mats.
9. Once everything is drained and clean, remove hair and lint from the hot tub grates in the tub and the skimmer.
10. Dry out the hot tub with a towel.
11. Fill the hot tub with hot running water and add the necessary chemicals.
12. Once the hot tub is full, close all valves and turn on the pumps.
13. Let the hot tub run for three hours, and then test the water. Add chemicals, if necessary.
14. Once the chemical balance is correct, reopen the hot tub for guest use.

Reference: *Pool Safety Plan: Guide for Pool Operators* (BC Ministry of Health)