

PROGRESSIVE SWIMMING INSTRUCTOR*

for NYS Children's Camps

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(Go to www.health.state.ny.us to view most current certification list)

A progressive swimming instructor is required to assess the swimming ability of each camper prior to allowing the child to participate in aquatic activities.

The following courses meet the certification requirements as specified in Section 7-2.5(f) of Subpart 7-2 of the New York State Sanitary Code:

Provider	Certification Title
Code Standard	
American Red Cross (ARC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water Safety Instructor
Acceptable Equivalent Courses	
Boy Scouts of America	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aquatics Instructor, BSA • Cub Scout Aquatics Supervisor, BSA
Canadian Red Cross	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water Safety Instructor
YMCA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special Population Swimming Instructor • Swim Lessons - Preschool Instructor • Swim Lessons - Parent/Child Instructor • Swim Lessons - Youth/Adult Instructor Level 1 • Swim Lessons - Youth/Adult Instructor Level 2 • YMCA Basic Swim Instructor • YMCA Swim Lessons Instructor

*A progressive swimming instructor may not perform lifeguard duties unless currently certified as a qualified lifeguard (see "Aquatic Certifications" fact sheet) and the individual is not concurrently performing instructional duties.

A person qualified as a progressive swimming instructor may be the camp aquatics director, if they meet additional requirements of subdivision 7-2.5(e) of Subpart 7-2 of the State Sanitary Code.