



Aquatic Health Program Major vs. Minor Remodels

NAC 444.061 Remodel defined. ([NRS 439.200](#), [444.070](#))

1. Remodel means to replace all or part of any structure, circulation system or appurtenance of a public bathing or swimming facility or to modify it to the extent that its design, configuration or operating characteristics differ in any respect from those of the original.

Like-for-Like defined: The replacement of equipment for similar equipment in design, function, use, and maintenance, whether or not from the same manufacturer, that requires no additional alteration or modification of existing finishes or fixtures to install and occupies the same similar foot-print of the replaced equipment. “Like-for-Like” must meet the following criteria:

1. The new equipment replaces an existing piece of equipment.
2. The new equipment is third-party sanitation certified to the same standard as the replaced equipment. Although a formal Plan Review application may not be required, equipment specifications may be required to show proof of certification – contact Plan Review.
3. If the new equipment requires installation, such as hooking up of gas or water lines, the installation is simple and similar to the replaced equipment. *Note: If electrical, water, or gas lines must be rerouted a remodel permit is required.*
4. The new equipment occupies a similar “footprint” to the replaced equipment, particularly in reference to existing face piping. *Note: If face piping must be replaced, added, or altered in order to place the new equipment a remodel permit is required.*
5. The new equipment meets the same specifications as existing equipment (i.e. performance curve, filter size and media, heater size, disinfectant type and size).

There are two different types of remodels, major remodels and minor remodels. They are defined as follows:

Major Remodel requires or includes the alteration, demolition, or re-construction of any part of the structure. This type of remodel requires not only approval of the Health Authority, but also approval by the building department, to include a building permit. If the deck or bathhouse is altered or re-configured it may also be considered a major remodel. The extent of the work to be done is the determining factor.

Note: Leak repairs that require work under/through the deck will be considered a minor remodel unless the building department requires a building permit. If a building permit is required the repair may fall under the major remodel category.



Minor Remodel is an alteration or modification of any part of the facility that does not require demolition of the structure. It includes, but is not limited to the following:

- a. A modification or a change in any of the recirculation equipment that is not a like-for-like replacement part for the original.
- b. Reconfiguration or modification of face piping.
- c. Any equipment change or addition that affects the operation of the recirculation system by increasing or decreasing the total dynamic head.
- d. A fence modification or reconstruction.
- e. Deck reconfiguring or resurfacing with a different material from the original approved surface.
- f. Pool interior surface alterations by type, finish or by adding design or color.
- g. Limited repair work to piping beneath the ground.

Note: Multiple issues may be addressed with the same minor remodel permit, as long as the issues are addressed on the original submission for one fee. If additional items are discovered or added that must be addressed, a resubmission fee under the same remodel will apply.