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Aquatic Safety

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Areas of Expertise

- Aquatic facility operation
- Emergency response protocols
- Preliminary discovery review and case merit assessment (preliminary opinion Report)
- On-site aquatic accident investigation and causation reconstruction
- Attorney orientation with relevant aquatic industry standards
- Insight into probably opposing side aquatic theories and strategies
- Equipment failure analysis and product performance testing
- Safety auditing of aquatic facilities, employee performance and posted warnings

OBJECTIVE STATEMENT

I have 23 plus years of operational experience in Aquatic facility management, programming and implementing safety standards around a variety of aquatic environments, beaches, water parks, aquatic centers, community pools, indoor swimming pools and lakes.

EXPERIENCE

City of Hialeah Parks and Recreation Department | Aquatics Supervisor

1995– date

Responsible for managing and supervision of the City of Hialeah's aquatic program, which encompasses 2 water parks, 4 community pools, and one aquatic center. I supervise and train a staff of 45 to 110. Closely work with the Miami Dade Health Department, the State of Florida Department of Agriculture and the American Red Cross to continuously maintain the safety of the personnel and patrons that visit the municipality's pools. I have worked with the City of Hialeah first as a Lifeguard in 1995, then as a Head Lifeguard in 1997, then as a Manager and now as the Director/ Supervisor for the City's Aquatics Program.

- Developed the City's first aquatics manual
- Developed the Aquatics Safety Committee
- Oversaw the construction of two water Parks
- 2014 Best of Aquatics recipient
- Wrote and received over 2 million dollars in grants, for water Safety and to increase an array of sports programs

Easter Seals South Florida Disabilities Services | Special Needs Aquatic Independent Contractor

2012 –Present

I conduct the training and supervision of the Special needs Aquatic therapy program at Easter Seals. The program is conducted at a school setting where 60 to 100

- Wrote and received a grant from Autism Speaks
- Wrote and received a grant USA Swimming Grant
- Developed the Special Needs Aquatic Program for the school
- Was honoured by an Alumni and Easter Seals for helping with special needs adults

Tom Ebro | Risk Management

2012- 2015

I assisted Aquatics Expert Tom Ebro investigating and acquiring information regarding Aquatic related injuries.

State Of Florida | Beach Lifeguard

1995-1997

As a beach lifeguard I patrolled the beach and ocean areas from an assigned Lifeguard tower or vessel, I performed rescues and prevented

- Courtroom exhibits, photo/video documentation, aquatic accident research and forensic re-enactments
- Answering interrogatories, preparing expert affidavits and reports
- Providing expert witness testimony at depositions and trials
- Write edit, review and production of staff and facility manuals/handbooks
- Forensic reconstruction of aquatic accidents
- Time/motion re-enactment at the surface and below
- Specialized photography and video documentation
- Measuring slip resistance on wet walking surfaces
- Possesses familiarity with "how to get things done" in remote Caribbean islands
- Emergency action plans
- Safety surveys of aquatic facility design, construction, maintenance and operation
- Staff evaluation and training
- Hazard foreseeability and warning signs
- Legal compliance
- Industry standards

accidents. As Lifeguards we also educated and instructed the public on the beach water, boating safety, marine life and other public safety matters.

- Was lead trainer for on boarding Lifeguards

Education

Aquatics Facility Operator Instructor

2018– date

I am an instructor for the National Recreation and Park Association certification program in swimming pool operations, the Aquatic Facility Operator (AFO) certification. The AFO program provides comprehensive and up-to date training for pool operators and includes information on water chemistry, disinfection, mechanical systems, operations, healthy pools and safety.

Certified Parks and Recreation professional

2014– date

The Certified Park and Recreation Professional (CPRP) certification is the national standard for all parks and recreation professionals who want to be at the forefront of their profession. Attaining the CPRP designation shows that you have met education and experience qualifications, and illustrates your commitment to the profession as well as your knowledge and understanding of key concepts within parks and recreation.

Aquatics Facility Operator

1997– date

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American Red Cross Certified Water Safety Instructor Trainer

2000– date

I am a certified Water Safety Instructor trainer. I am able to teach and certify others to become Certified Water Safety Instructors (swim Instructors)

American Red Cross Certified Water Safety Instructor

1996– date

I am an American Red Cross Certified swimming and water safety Instructor.

American Red Cross Certified Lifeguard Instructor

1998– 2014

I was certified to train Lifeguards

American Red Cross Certified Lifeguard

1995-2014

University of Phoenix (1 Year)

2000-2001

Miami Dade College (2 years)
1996-1998

Affiliations

Miami Dade Drowning Prevention Coalition

National Recreation And Parks Association member

Florida Parks and Association member

USA Master Swimmers member