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Do you have a cooling tower? There is a new NYS Department of Health regulation that effects you.

As a result of the Legionella outbreak in NYC the NYS – DOH issued section 225(5)(a), Part 4 of title 10 of the public health code. It was released Monday, August 17, 2015.

You can find the document at:

<http://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/legionellosis/docs/emerg.regs.pdf>

This is what every building with a cooling tower must do:

Within the first 30 days:

- 1. Register your cooling tower online at DOH. Go to <https://www.ny.gov/services/register-cooling-tower-and-submit-reports>. Registration is free.**
- 2. A sample of water from the tower must be taken and a quantitative legionella must be preformed.**
- 3. The tower must be inspected by a NYS licensed professional engineer; certified industrial hygienist; certified water technologist or environmental consultant with training and experience performing inspections with current industry protocols such as ASHRAE 188-2015.**
- 4. You must submit a copy of the legionella report and the inspection report to NYS-DOH.**

Every 90 days thereafter, when the tower is operating:

- 1. The tower must be inspected as stated above.**
- 2. Another sample must be taken. This can be either a heterotrophic plate count (dip slide) or a legionella culture.**



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By March 1, 2016

- 1. Owners shall obtain and implement a maintenance program developed in accordance with section 7.2 of ANSI/ASHRAE 188-2015: Legionellosis: Risk Management for Building water systems.**

Each year:

- 1. Each year the owner of a cooling tower shall obtain a certification from a person listed above that such tower was inspected, tested, cleaned and disinfected.**

Temporary Shutdown:

- 1. All towers must be cleaned and disinfected when shut down for 5 days or more.**

We can assist you with any or all parts of this program.

- 1. We have CWT's and Environmental consultants for inspections.**
- 2. We work with the Special Pathogens Lab for Legionella testing. Our field reps know how to draw and preserve a sample properly.**
- 3. Our NYS-DEC 7G pesticide applicators can provide cleaning and disinfecting if necessary.**
- 4. We offer training classes to help you become a NYS DEC 7G certified applicator.**

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