



**TOWN OF SALEM FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
**INSPECTIONAL SERVICES**  
**HEALTH DIVISION**  
**890-2050**

## Summer Beach Testing Results August 2021

On August 11 & 13, 2021, water samples from association and public beaches in Salem were collected and submitted for microbiological analysis to the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Laboratory in Concord.

The samples were analyzed for bacteria, (E. coli), the indicator organism utilized to determine safe swimming conditions. At a freshwater beach, an **advisory** is posted if either **two** samples exceed the state standard of **88 counts** or when **one** sample exceeds **158 counts**.

Two samples were collected from each beach in accordance with the NH DES "Standard Operating Procedure for Bacteria Sampling". The following beach sites were sampled and the results are as follows:

<u>Location:</u>	<u>E. coli Results:</u>	<u>August 11</u>	<u>August 13</u>
Hedgehog Pond -----	10, 15		
Shadow Lake -----	16, 32		
Captain's Pond			
Camp Otter -----	66, 31		
Camp Hadar -----	51, 36		
Camp Y-Wood -----	10, 15		
Millville Lake -----	93, 93		32, 43
Arlington Pond			
Arlington Pond Improvement Assoc. -----	102, 91		78, 67
Second Street Beach -----	21, 13		
Griffin Beach -----	30, 15		

**No Swimming Advisories** were issued for the Arlington Pond Improvement Association beach and the Millville Lake beach. These advisories have been rescinded due to the subsequent tests to be in compliance.

**All of the beaches are now in compliance with the guidelines established by the NH DES for safe swimmable waters at this time.**

These are the final beach results for this year. The testing program will begin again in June of 2022. Any questions, please feel free to contact the Health Officer at [blockard@salemnh.gov](mailto:blockard@salemnh.gov) or 890-2050.