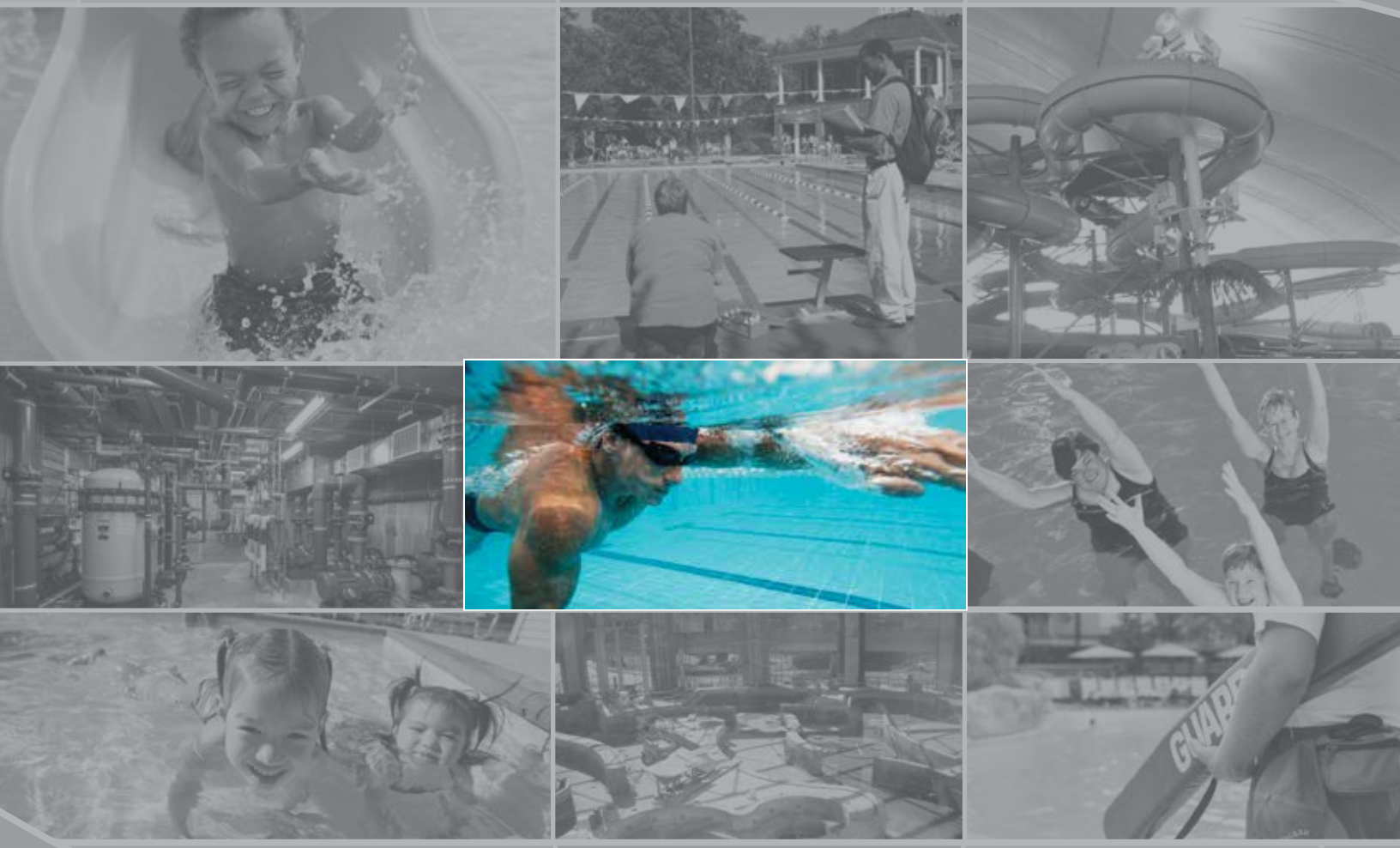
2016 Annex to the Model Aquatic Health Code

Scientific Rationale

USER GUIDE



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2.0 User Guide

2.1 Overview

2.2 MAHC Structure and Format

The MAHC utilizes the format also found in the FDA Model Food Code; thus within the MAHC, references are made to the FDA Model Food Code and the Conference for Food Protection. These are purely for reference and to gain a better scope of perspective and protocol.

2.3 Annex

2.3.1 Scientific and Best Practices Rationale

The annex is provided as a scientific and best practices explanatory supplement to the code; thus, the annex material is not intended to be interpreted or enforced as model code in order to keep future laws or other requirements based on the MAHC straightforward. However, the annex is provided specifically to assist users in understanding the intent behind code provisions and applying the provisions uniformly and effectively.

2.3.2 Content

To use the MAHC more effectively, users should preview the annex contents before using parts of the MAHC model CODE language. The annex is structured to present the information by the specific MAHC section number to which they apply. The Annex and Appendices also provide information and materials intended to be helpful to the user such as forms and checklists.