

# Tom Griffiths thought our lifeguard stations were the best, so he asked us to change them.

*“Throughout my career I’ve been in awe of the way Paragon engineers and fabricates its products. If they make it, it’s the best there is. When I conceived what I believe is a superior lifeguard station I naturally went right to them.”*

Tom Griffiths, ED.D.  
Aquatics Director and Safety Officer for Athletics,  
Penn State University

## Introducing the revolutionary Griff’s Guard Station by Paragon

Our new Griff’s Guard Station is a wonderful example of the kinds of things Paragon does to stay well on top of the commercial pool deck equipment industry. Evolved from Tom Griffiths’ Five Minute Scanning Strategy, it was designed to significantly increase lifeguard effectiveness and water safety.

Dr. Griffiths is the leading researcher in lifeguard science in the United States. Since 1994, he has surveyed 10,000 working lifeguards, leading to the development of Griff’s Guard Station.

### Advantages of Griff’s Guard Station

- Proven to decrease boredom while increasing attention and concentration, necessary for the safety of both swimmers and lifeguards.
- Allows quicker, safer responses to emergencies.
- Promotes alertness without diverting attention from water.
- Reduces chance of shoulder strap harness on the rescue tube “hanging” the lifeguard from a height.
- Increases patrolling and communication with guests.
- Encourages standing to add height to surveillance angle.



20387 Full Height Guard

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Griff's Guard Station is uniquely designed to accommodate Griff's Five Minute Scanning Strategy by featuring a front entry, elevated viewing station, easy access and non-skid surface. A wide front step also provides an additional station and brings the guard closer to a pool's edge. The Station's shorter, wider dimensions encourage the "Sit, Stand, Stroll" philosophy that is at the heart of Griff's Strategy.

Heavy duty construction assures long lasting, trouble-free service.

Taking someone's great idea and turning it into a practical reality is one of the things that have kept Paragon the industry leader for 46 years. Diving stands, diving towers, competitive starting platforms, lifeguard chairs and more...if you see the name Paragon you're looking at the best you can buy.

### Suggested Specifications:

The Life Guard Chair (Station) shall be Griff's Guard Station®, (endorsed by Tom Griffiths to accommodate his 5 Minute Scanning Strategy®)

#### KDI Paragon ID No. :

**20387 Full Height Guard:** Provides a 3'-4" sq. platform, 2'-9" above the deck and additional elevated 3'-3" x 1'-2" combination observation platform/bench seat 3' above the deck.

**20386 Step Model:** Provides a molded plastic seat 3'-6" above the deck mounted to a 5' x 3'-3" platform 2' above the deck. There shall also be an additional 3'-3" x 1'-2" observation platform 3' above the deck.

**20385 Flat Model:** Provides a molded plastic seat 3'-6" above the deck mounted to a 5' x 3'-3" platform 2' above the deck.

#### General:

a. Structure constructed of T304 (Duel Certified) Stainless Steel Tube (1.90" OD, 0.065" Wall Thickness), reinforced with 1-1/4" x 3/16" Stainless Steel Angle, polished to a 320 grit satin finish.

b. Station to be readily and easily assembled and disassembled (utilizing electro polished Stainless Steel Connectors) for practical transport and storage.

c. Platform(s) and steps shall be nonskid resin coated fiberglass reinforced grating.

d. Station shall be easily moved by one person. Wheels (heavy duty 7" OD, solid rubber tread, with powder coated steel hubs) shall be permanently affixed to the station for this purpose.

e. Protective rubber bumpers shall be affixed to the bottom of each leg.

f. A molded plastic seat mounted to a Stainless Steel sloping-pedestal. Pedestal will permit a 360 degree swivel and bearing surface shall use a low friction nonmetallic disk to prevent seizing or binding due to corrosion. (Flat ID 20385 & Step 20386 Models).

g. Umbrella mounting (guide & socket) shall be provided.



*20386 Step Model*



*20385 Flat Model*

Contact your authorized Paragon Distributor or Paragon directly at: 1-888-KDI-SWIM

Tom Griffith's *Five Minute Scanning Strategy*® videocassette comes with a purchase of any Griff's Guard Station. Or order cassettes from Tom Griffiths at 800 000-0000

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