

POOL RULES
2022 Pool Season

A. POOL USE

- a) Pool facilities are for active AHPOA members and their guests and non-member annual pool membership holders.
- b) Members are reminded that all AH Pools have surveillance cameras in use.
- c) The pool manager and lifeguards have the responsibility and authority regarding the operation of the pool and the conduct of users of the facility during scheduled operating hours.

B. GENERAL POOL RULES

1. Patrons entering the facility must present proof of a valid pool pass.
2. Children ages 5 and under must be within arm's reach of a supervising patron 16 years or older while in the pool.
3. Children ages 12 and under must be accompanied by a supervising patron 16 years or older while using the facility.
4. Patrons wearing a personal floatation device must stay in shallow water and be within arm's reach of a responsible party. Any floatation devices larger than a standard life saver ring will not be permitted.
5. Any patron with an infectious disease, nasal or ear discharge, exposed sub-skin tissue, or wearing a bandage may not enter the pool or splash pad.
6. Appropriate swimming attire is required. No T-shirts or cutoffs.
7. All swimmers must shower before entering the pool or splash pad.
8. Unnecessary roughness, pushing, backwards jumping or diving, horseplay, sitting or standing on the shoulders and running are prohibited.
9. Food, drink, gum, and glass bottles are not allowed on the pool deck. Food and drink are permitted in designated areas.
10. Use of tobacco products is NOT permitted inside of the facility gates.
11. Enter and exit the pool through the guard house. Fence gates are for emergency use only.
12. Diving is permitted in designated areas of the pool (9 feet or deeper).
13. The appropriate use of water toys and soft sporting equipment during recreational swim is allowed, but may be revoked if their use is deemed unsafe to other patrons.
14. Playpens and wheeled vehicles are NOT permitted in pool area except for wheelchairs and baby strollers.
15. Lap lanes may be designated for lap swim only during recreational swim. To avoid injury, do not swim across, under, or over the lane lines.
16. Prolonged underwater swimming or breath-holding is discouraged.
17. Adult Swim occurs the last 15 minutes of every hour when more than 20 patrons are at the facility. Patrons 16 years and older are allowed to stay in the pool during this time. Children ages 3 and under may also stay in the pool when accompanied by an adult within arm's reach.
18. Please report all injuries or incidents to staff members.
19. Please follow all instructions given by lifeguards and other staff members. Our staff is here for your safety and to ensure a pleasant environment for all patrons.

20. Any person who is incontinent, or children who are not potty-trained must wear appropriate waterproof clothing. Cloth diapers with snugly fitting rubber pants or swim diapers must be worn by babies/toddlers in the main pool. Disposable diapers are not permitted because they can clog the filter system. In the event of an unsanitary mishap, pool staff must be notified immediately.
21. All COVID and/or pandemic or state health restrictions must be followed.
22. Members must accompany their guests and will be held responsible for the actions of their guests.

C. CHILDREN

1. Lifeguards are there for emergency rescue and rules compliance. **Parents are required to monitor and supervise their children at all times.**
2. Should pool management deem it necessary for the safety of the child, a basic swim test will be given by the pool manager or his/her designee. If a child is unable to pass the test, the child will be limited to the shallow roped off area of the pool unless accompanied by a parent or a responsible person sixteen (16) or older.

D. WADING/BABY POOL AREA

1. Swim privileges are limited to children under 48 inches tall. This provides safety for the small children using the pool.
2. Children not yet toilet trained are encouraged to use the wading/baby pool rather than the main pool. Babies/toddlers must wear cloth diapers with rubber pants or specifically designed swim diapers. Disposable diapers are not allowed. Parents failing to properly attire their children who are not yet toilet trained can be asked to leave.
3. Pool gate must remain closed at all times.
4. Playthings must be limited to small floating and unbreakable items.

E. WEATHER

If any Lifeguard hears thunder OR lightning is detected within 15 miles of the pool, all swimmers must exit the pool immediately. The pool will be closed until 45 minutes after the storm has passed.

F. ENFORCEMENT

These rules have been developed for the safe operation of the pool in the best interest of all members. If members feel that the pool is not being operated in the best interest of the members, discuss the situation with the AHPOA General Manager at gm@aquiaharbour.org. Offenders of pool rules may lose pool privileges for the day or for the season with no refund provided at the discretion of the AHPOA General Manager.

- A. Violations will generally first be met with a warning provided the behavior is general rather than severe.
- B. A second warning regarding the same issue on the same day MAY be given at the discretion of the life guard.
- C. Any violation of the pool rules may result in temporary expulsion from the pool for the day. If the situation warrants, the violator may lose their pool privileges for the season at the discretion of the general manager.
- B. Any person deliberately damaging pool furniture or the pool structure, posing a serious safety hazard or committing an illegal act will be automatically suspended. In the event of an illegal act, Aquia Harbour Police will be called immediately.