

POOL RULES AND REGULATIONS

Pool rules and regulations are established for everyone's safety. Parents / Guardians are responsible for the supervision of their children. Lifeguards are responsible for ensuring the safety of the patrons by preventing and responding to emergencies. Therefore, anyone entering the pool is personally responsible. A complete list of rules is posted at the Aquatic Center. In addition, a sheet listing rules may be picked up at the Aquatic Center entrance, Pool Manager's Office or the Administrative Office. Additional rules may be added at any time for your protection.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Entering the Facility: ID's must be presented before entering the pool. Payment receipts will not be accepted for entrance after 5 days of purchase. Admission to the pool shall be refused to all persons having any contagious disease, infectious conditions such as colds, fever, ringworm, foot infections, skin lesions, boils, diarrhea, vomiting, inflamed eyes, ear discharges; or any other condition that has the appearance of being infectious. Persons with excessive sunburn, abrasions that have not healed, corn plasters; adhesive tape, rubber bandages or other bandages of any kinds also shall be refused admittance. A person under the influence of alcohol or exhibiting erratic behavior shall not be permitted in the pool area.

Daily Admissions: Residents MUST show proof of residency with each entry to be eligible for the resident rate. Cash only. Daily admission fees are not deductible from season pass purchases.

Refund Policy: Refunds will not be issued for closings due to weather situations. Refunds will not be given for any reason after payment has taken place and patrons have participated in the use of the pool.

Daily Guest: Guests may not leave and re-enter the facility.

Misuse of Pass: Misuse of pool pass will result in a forfeiture of pass without a refund and possible permanent loss of facility use for the remainder of the season.

Lost Passes: Lost passes are the responsibility of the holder and must be replaced to gain entrance to the pool. Replacement passes are \$6.00.

Locker Room Usage: Coin-operated lockers to hold swimmers' clothes and personal belongings are located in the locker rooms. There is a small charge for each use. The Park District is not responsible for any lost, misplaced or stolen articles. Swimming pool patrons are advised not to leave valuables in unlocked lockers. Lost locker keys are the responsibility of the holder and must be replaced to gain further entrance to the pool. Replacement fee is \$5.00.

Food Rules and Concessions: NO FOOD, BEVERAGE, COOLERS, or ALCOHOL are to be brought into the facility. These items will be confiscated by staff. We do provide Concessions, offering an assortment of meals, snacks and beverages. Food and beverage may only be consumed within the area of the Concession Stand. Clear plastic water bottles and baby bottles will be allowed on deck with the contents of water only.

Contents Allowed on Deck: Only a *small* bag will be allowed on deck to accommodate those people who want to store their towel and other personal items. The Park District offers bags for purchase. We do reserve the right to check any bag entering the facility. Please note that there is a limited list of contents that will be allowed in one's bag. All other contents not allowed on deck must be kept in the coin lockers located in each locker room.

Strollers: Strollers will be allowed on deck in designated stroller parking areas only. A stroller must never be left unattended with a child in its seat. A limited number of strollers will be available for use at the pool (no fee).

Diapers: Any child who is not potty trained MUST be wearing a secure fitting plastic or rubber swim pant. Disposable swim diapers are acceptable, but it is recommended that tight fitting plastic or rubber swim pants also cover them. Disposable swim diapers are available for purchase at the entrance of the facility. Disposable diapers are NOT permitted.

Dress Code: Everyone entering the facility must wear a swimming suit. No one is permitted to walk through the locker rooms, sit anywhere in the facility or concession unless they are wearing a swimming suit. Lined swimsuits are required. Clothing such as cutoffs, sweats, workout clothing, basketball shorts, leotards, etc are not permitted in the facility / pool. All shoes must be removed before entering the facility. Once on deck one may only be in one's bathing suit with an optional cover-up. Street clothes are not allowed and should be kept in a coin locker. *Refunds will not be issued to those patrons expelled from the pool for improper attire.*

Shower Rule: All patrons require showers before entering the facility.

Chair Rules: Chairs are available for anyone 18 years old age and over. To allow chairs for as many patrons as possible we ask that participants do not save or reserve chairs. Chairs may not be placed at or near the edge of the pool for safety reasons.

Slide Rules: To ride the water slide you must be at least 40 inches tall and able to swim one width of the pool unassisted. You must ride feet first in a sitting or laying position on your back. Children are not allowed to ride with a parent or in chains. A parent may not catch children. Flotation devices are prohibited for use on the water slides. Stopping, standing, turning around or sliding head first in the slide are prohibited. Swim wear with exposed zippers, buckles, rivets or metal ornamentation, goggles, chains, watches, glasses, earrings are not to be worn or held by anyone riding the slide.

Sand Areas: Anyone utilizing sand play areas must shower off before entering the pool.

Personal Flotation Devices (PFD) & Toys: Toys, inner tubes, water wings, diving disks, scuba gear, skin gear and PFD's are not allowed in the pool without special permission from the Pool Manager. All PFD's must have a Coast Guard approval statement printed on the device to be permitted.

Safety Break: A 15-minute safety break will take place at 3 o'clock each day the pool is open. Adults 18 years and over ONLY may swim at this time.

Lap Lane: Two lap lanes are available for use by anyone wishing to swim laps during public swim times. Lap swimmers should stay on the right hand side of the lane and swim in a circular direction any time more than 2 people want to use the lap lanes. "Staying to the right" allows greater use of the lanes and prevents collisions. Lap lanes are reserved for adults only, unless stated otherwise by management.

Lost and Found: The Park District is not responsible for lost, missing or stolen articles. Any articles found at the facility will be held in the Pool Manager's Office.

Discipline: Vandalism, abusive language, infraction of rules, passing of ID's/passes, providing false identification, etc. can lead to expulsion from the pool and loss of pass privileges.

Supervision: Children under the age of 8 will not be admitted unless accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years of age or older. Parents / Guardians are responsible for the supervision of their children.

Diving Board: Flotation devices are prohibited. No child may be caught or assisted by any other patron / employee off the diving board. Each user is only allowed one jump and must jump straight out in front of the board. Jumping toward the side of the pool is strictly prohibited. Failure to follow rules may result in bodily harm.

Capacity: The Park District of Forest Park Aquatic Center has a capacity of 1,000 patrons. We reserve the right to deny admission if the facility attendance exceeds 1,000.

Pool Closing: The pool will close if any of the following conditions exist:

1. Air temperature is 70 degrees or cooler
2. Heavy rain
3. Lightning in the area
4. Mechanical or chemical problem
5. Less than 25 patrons in attendance for an hour

Refunds are not issued for closing due to weather.