

## **SWIMMING POOL**

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**Management.** A swimming pool management company will be retained to oversee the management, safety, maintenance, order, and cleanliness around the pool area. The company will always manage the pool and related facilities when the pool is open. It is responsible for supervision of its operating staff and for enforcement of the rules and regulations for the safety and enjoyment of the pool and facilities for all users. Residents and guests will respect the pool equipment and furniture which have been provided for their enjoyment and comfort. Chairs should be covered with towels when using suntan lotion and oils to prevent deterioration of the plastic webbing. The lifeguards' major responsibilities shall be guarding, monitoring pool admittance, and enforcing the rules and regulations. The lifeguards shall not provide any private services (such as swimming lessons) to individual users while on duty. The lifeguards are not responsible for supervising the children's pool, but they will perform clean-up and maintenance of this area.

**Enforcement.** All users are expected to cooperate with the directions given by the pool staff at all times. Parents and guardians are requested to instruct those under their care to observe all rules, obey the instructions of the Pool Manager and other pool staff, and not to enter the pool enclosure by climbing the pool fence or using the maintenance gate at any time. The pool staff has the authority to act as deemed necessary for the safe and orderly operation of the pool facilities. Therefore, the Pool Manager (or his/her designees, the lifeguards) have the authority to refuse entry or to eject users from the pool and its facilities if, in the pool staff's reasonable opinion, the user's actions may affect the safety or health of users or any pool property. The Pool Manager will report any such incidents to the Pool Committee.

**Identification.** A resident's recreation pass must be brought to the pool each time the resident uses the pool.

- All residents shall sign in a daily log with their name, address, time of entry, # residents, and # of guests.
- Each unit will be provided with two recreation passes at the beginning of each pool season. The first replacement pass is \$10. Each additional replacement pass is \$20.

**Hours.** The regular pool season will be from the first day of Memorial Day weekend to the last day of the Labor Day weekend. Depending on life guard availability, the pool may be open for two additional weekends. Pool hours are determined each year by the Pool Committee and may vary in response to changing demand as evidenced by usage. Hours for each pool season, as well as any special programs, will be posted on the pool bulletin board and on the community website. The pool may be closed at any time due to inclement weather, failure of equipment or other reason as determined by the Pool Management Company.

**Guests.** Control of guest usage of a private pool prevents overcrowding. The following rules are designed for this purpose.

- Each household will be permitted to bring up to four guests, who must be accompanied by a Glen resident 16 years of age or older with a current recreation pass.
- The Pool Manager or lifeguards may, at their discretion, restrict or suspend guest privileges to prevent overcrowding.
- Guests are subject to the same rules and regulations as residents.

### **Health.**

- Smoking is NOT permitted at the pool facility, in the restrooms or within 25 feet of the pool entrance.
- Persons with skin diseases, communicable diseases, open lesions, nasal discharges, eye infections or wearing large bandages (does not include band aids) are not permitted in the pool.
- Persons who are not toilet trained are required to always wear rubber or plastic pants over swim diapers (not disposable diapers).
- Should a swimmer vomit, urinate or defecate in the pool, the pool will be immediately closed until cleaned in accordance with Arlington County Health Department Regulations.
- No spitting or spouting water in the pool.
- All injuries occurring on the premises must be immediately reported to the pool management. Enforcement of health rules shall be the responsibility of the pool management. When necessary to call for medical help, any charges incurred shall be the responsibility of the owner.

### **Safety**

- Running, "speed walking," pushing, acrobatics, wrestling, or causing undue disturbances or other rough or boisterous play in or about the pool and its facilities are not allowed. Lifeguard discretion and direction regarding "games" in the pool prevails.
- Glass or ceramic containers of any type are not allowed in the pool enclosure.

- Children who cannot swim are not permitted to be in the main pool or main pool deck unless accompanied by a parent, guardian, or person 16 years or older, who shall be responsible for and closely supervise them. The lifeguards have the discretion to ask anyone to take the swim test to demonstrate they can be in the pool unsupervised.
- Children who are not yet 10 years old shall not be permitted within the pool enclosure unless accompanied by a parent, guardian, or person 16 years or older, who shall be responsible for and closely supervise them, even if they are wearing floats or other safety floatation devices.
- Children age 10-12 may come to the pool unaccompanied if they pass the swim test and have the written permission of a parent or guardian. See the Swimming Pool Permission Form in the Appendix.
- Only persons who have passed the swim test will be permitted in the deep end of the pool.
- No tricycles, bicycles, big wheels, wagons, scooters, skateboards, or other riding toys or devices are allowed in the pool enclosure (even to park).
- You can bring small, soft personal size toys, personal flotation devices, and swim vests. No inflatables that can accommodate more than one person will be allowed.
- No floats or inflatable devices will be allowed in the deep end. Only jogging belts, and noodles (one per person) will be allowed.
- Use of the children's pool shall be limited to children through age 6, even during hourly breaks. Children must be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or person 16 years or older, who shall be responsible for and closely supervise them. Children shall not be left unattended.

## **General**

- No pets will be allowed in or on the pool premises.
- Lap swimmers always have priority use of the lap lanes.
- The presence of intoxicated persons anywhere within the pool premises is prohibited.
- Audio equipment and musical instruments should be moderated in consideration of other pool users.

- Consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited except at special events approved by the Board (e.g., wine tastings, community pool party).
- Situations arising which are not covered specifically by any rule or regulation herein will be handled at discretion of the Pool Manager or the lifeguard in charge and will be reported to the Pool Committee.
- Food may only be consumed in the two designated areas within the pool enclosure and must be at least 10 feet from the swimming pool edge.
- Non-alcoholic beverages in non-breakable containers are permitted in the pool area but NOT in the pool. Trash must be deposited in receptacles provided.

## **Parties**

Recreation pass holders may request a party during pool hours. Parties may be limited to two per week. Requests for parties should be directed to the Pool Committee and will be scheduled at the discretion of the Committee and the Pool Manager. The pool calendar will be posted at the pool. A non-refundable charge of \$25 will be assessed for parties during pool hours. The requester/recreation pass holder must be onsite at the party, and is responsible for abiding by the pool rules and the following party rules:

- The party is limited to 2 hours in duration.
- Music must be kept at a reasonable level subject to the discretion of the pool manager or lifeguards.
- Food is allowed in the designated eating areas only (Code 24.1-59 from Arlington County Code/Chapter 24.1 Water Recreation Ordinance) and party holders will receive priority use of this space.
- Set-up is allowed 30 minutes prior to the party.
- The party is limited to a maximum of 15 people, in order to prevent overcrowding.
- Three tables and up to 15 chairs will be available for party attendees.
- The requester/recreation pass holder is responsible for cleaning the party area and trash collection after the party.

## **Private Swim Instruction**

Private swim lessons with Glen lifeguards may be arranged through the Pool Manager. These lessons will only be available prior to the pool opening hours. Private swim lessons during pool hours of operation are available through the Pool Committee. Reservations will be made in advance to ensure there is adequate room at the pool.

Fairlington Glen residents' private arrangements with non-resident swim instructors are allowed, provided that:

- the instructor is an eligible guest of the resident employing him/her, which requires, among other things, that the employing resident be present in person while his/her guest is at the pool. It is acceptable to send a surrogate 16 years or older to supervise.
- the instructor observes the same rules governing pool usage that apply to residents, in particular the usage of lap lanes.
- Hours of availability will be posted at the pool and on the Fairlington Glen website.
  
- the following provisions on liability are observed:
  1. all private instructors must provide proof of general liability insurance coverage with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 annual aggregate for the full benefit of the Glen with Fairlington Glen named as an additional insured under the terms of such coverage.
  2. private instructors must execute a hold-harmless agreement in favor of Fairlington Glen, including indemnification and defense provisions.
  3. residents and private instructors must submit an application to Fairlington Glen's Onsite Manager for review and approval before instruction can begin. Application forms will be available on the Fairlington Glen website, at the lifeguard's desk, and in the Appendix to this Handbook (see Liability Release and Indemnification Form for Private Swim Instruction).