

CITY OF LITCHFIELD POOL RULES AND REGULATIONS

POOL RULES FOR PATRONS:

- A. Posted at pool.
- 1) Bathers must shower before entering pool area and then turn showers OFF.
 - 2) Persons must remove shoes before entering pool deck.
 - 3) No smoking in the pool area or dressing rooms. You must leave the pool if you wish to smoke and you may re-enter for free.
 - 4) Bathing suits must be worn, no cut-off shorts allowed.
 - 5) No food, gum, or refreshments permitted in dressing rooms, pool, or on pool deck.
 - 6) No glass containers allowed in the pool area, shower room, or office.
 - 7) NO RUNNING!
 - 8) Children who are not fully POTTY-TRAINED will wear rubber pants over diapers.
 - 9) PLEASE flush toilets after using!
 - 10) Children under 7-10 years of age must be accompanied by an adult or a responsible party at least 12-14 years of age.
- B. Additional Pool Rules:
- 1) The use of aquatic swimming aids and toys will be limited. For safety purposes, no one will be allowed to use inner tubes, rafts or Preservers. Swimmies and life jackets will be allowed only with parental or adult supervision.
 - 2) Diving for pennies or small metal objects will not be allowed.
 - 3) Persons will avoid Spitting, Spouting Water, and Blowing their nose in the pool.
 - 4) Persons afflicted with an infection or suffering from a cold, cough, fever, or wearing bandages shall be expelled from the pool.

- 5) Persons will refrain from using obscene and vulgar language.
- 6) Rough and boisterous play will not be tolerated.
- 7) No one will be permitted in the guard chairs except the lifeguards.
- 8) Every hour the lifeguards will clear people from the pool for a body count and to check the showers, etc.
- 9) In the event that the pool becomes polluted with fecal deposits or vomit, the pool will be closed until it has been properly cleaned, which could cause the pool to be closed for (2) two or (3) three days, as required by the Department of Health. Bathers are urged to use the rest rooms, PLEASE.
- 10) The pool and its facilities may be used for reunions by private organizations and groups. Contact the City Office for details. It will not be closed to the public.
- 11) Anyone caught vandalizing the pool property in any way, will be suspended from using the pool. Persistent reoccurrence will result in losing pool privileges completely. The following actions will be considered as such: flushing objects down the toilet; throwing toilet paper on walls and ceilings; taking soap dispensers apart; dumping soap dispensers; clogging shower drains; removing drains from 12' 6" area; and wasting paper towels or toilet tissues.
- 12) The manager or lifeguards of the pool may suspend, from the pool any person who is violating the above rules or whose conduct is jeopardizing the safety and pleasure of others.

C. Diving Rules:

- 1) No running off the diving board. (Lifeguard discretion).
- 2) Only one diver is permitted on the board at any time – including the ladder.
- 3) All dives must be straight out from the end of the board.
- 4) Swimmers are not permitted in the diving area, unless the period allows for swimming only.
- 5) After diving, swim quickly to the side.
- 6) After diving off of the diving board, swim to the left.

- 7) **No hanging on to the diving board.**
- 8) **The only thing that should touch the diving board is feet – no inverted dives.**

D. SLIDE RULES:

- 1) **All patrons using the slide must be able to swim in order to use the pool slide.**
- 2) **Metal objects, eyeglasses, metal snaps, jewelry, etc. are not allowed on the pool slide.**
- 3) **All pool slide users must be able to swim unaided to the stairs.**
- 4) **All patrons must slide down in a sitting position or on their back, feet first. Sliding down headfirst is prohibited.**
- 5) **Only one person allowed on the slide at a time, no tandem riding.**
- 6) **Stopping intentionally on the slide is strictly prohibited. Stopping, standing or kneeling is not allowed and can result in expulsion from the slide area.**
- 7) **Exit the Pool immediately after each slide.**
- 8) **Patrons using the slide must wait at pool slide ladder (standing on deck) until patron using the slide has entered the water and is exiting the pool at ladder.**
- 9) **Parents or adult guardians may not assist non-swimmers in utilizing the pool slide or “catching” non-swimmers as they enter the water.**
- 10) **Patrons who do not follow pool slide rules will forfeit the opportunity to use the slide for the remainder of the day.**

E. CODE FOR MISCONDUCT:

- 1) **Any swimmer who does not follow the pool rules or the code of conduct will be subject to the following actions:**
 - a) **The first time a rule is broken, the swimmer is given a warning concerning the rules which have been neglected.**
 - b) **The lifeguard on duty may sit the swimmer on the side of the pool for no more than 20 minutes as wished (depending on the severity of the infraction).**

- c) After once being warned and another offense is committed, the swimmer is prohibited from the pool grounds for the rest of that day. If the swimmer does not follow these procedures, suspension for one week will be assigned.
- d) After having been dismissed for one week and there is another misconduct, the swimmer is removed from the pool grounds for the rest of the summer. **THIS INCLUDES SEASON PASS HOLDERS AND NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN.**

F. WEATHER:

Closed when under 65 degrees, there is a severe weather warning, it is raining (or drizzles longer than 15 minutes), there is a thunderstorm, or a severe wind which drops the wind chill below 65 degrees. At the first sign of lightning swimmers must exit the pool and will not be permitted to re-enter for one hour from the last bolt of lightning sighted.