

KINNEY COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION SWIMMING POOL RULES AND REGULATIONS

The following rules and regulations have been established for the benefit of all users of the swimming pool to assure the safe operations of the pool facilities and to provide enjoyable recreation for all. Patrons are requested to cooperate in observing these rules and to obey the instructions of the aquatics staff. Patrons violating swimming rules are subject to the revocation of their swimming privileges.

The Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to refuse admittance into facility when the capacity of the pool has been reached or when otherwise deemed necessary for the health, welfare or safety of patrons.

The Pool Manager or designee is responsible for the operation of the pool. Their instruction must be followed at all times. Should a disagreement arise patrons are advised to contact the Pool Manager.

GENERAL RULES /ADMISSION POLICES

1. No one will be allowed in the swimming area unless the pool is officially opened and a lifeguard is on duty. Entering upon the pool premises when it is not open for public use is punishable by fines or imprisonment or both.
2. Smoking is not permitted anywhere in the indoor and outdoor pool facilities.
3. The County assumes no liability for injuries or damages arising from the results of participation unless due to willful or gross negligence on the part of county. Due to the strenuous nature of some activities, the participant is advised to consult his/her physician concerning fitness to participate. All activities present certain inherent risks and hazards which the participant assumes.
4. Rain checks may be issued when the facility must be closed due to weather conditions or equipment malfunction. They will only be issued to patrons admitted within 30 minutes of the closure.
5. All patrons within the pool area must be attired in swimming apparel. The swimming pool and decks must be maintained in sanitary manner for the protection of bathers.
6. Children under age of 12 entering the pool facility must be escorted and directly supervised by an adult.

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7. Children 6 years and younger must be accompanied and directly supervised, within arm's reach of an adult at all times in the water and within the facility. Children 6 and under, who pass the swim test, are not required to have an adult in the water.
8. Groups of children 6 or more and ages 6-10 entering the pool must be directly supervised at poolside by an adult. There must be one adult for every six children. Groups must contact pool management before coming to facility. Groups with children under 6 years of age must provide 1 adult per child in the water.
9. Food or refreshments may be consumed only in designated eating areas. All waste papers must be deposited in designated receptacles.
10. Picnic baskets and coolers are permitted in the grass or patio area of the pool facilities. Grills, gas or eclectic cooking devices are permitted on patio only.
11. Glass containers, alcoholic beverages, drugs and pets are not permitted in the pool facilities. An exception will be made for service animals.
12. Leave valuables at home. The County assumes no liability for personal property or valuables at any time. Valuables may not be checked with the attendant or pool staff.
13. Persons under the influence of alcohol or drugs will not be permitted in the pool facility or in the surrounding area.
14. No persons within the pool grounds shall behave in such a manner as to jeopardize the safety and health of him/her and others. Such behavior, including abusive or profane language, shall be grounds for expulsion.
15. Loitering will not be permitted on the pool grounds or within any of its facilities.
16. Any injury occurring in the pool area must be reported to the pool staff immediately.
17. Patrons are not allowed in the guard room, filter room, mechanical room, or storage room.
18. The use of cameras, video cameras or any device containing camera equipment of any kind is prohibited in bathrooms and changing facilities.

RULES FOR SWIMMERS

1. Pool users must wear swimming suits or swimming trunks upon entry into the pool. Clothing such as cut-offs, underwear, or under garments is not permitted as swimwear. Swim wear should not have been worn for exercising immediately prior to pool use and must be color fast and of a lightweight material suitable for swimwear, such as Lycra, spandex or nylon. Clean T-Shirts (grey or white) may be worn for modesty or medical reasons but first must be sanctioned by the pool manager.
2. Lifeguards have authority to enforce all pool rules. Patrons who repeatedly violate the rules may be ejected by staff.
3. Any person having a skin disease, sore or inflamed eyes, cold, nasal or ear discharge, communicable disease, or who is wearing any kind of adhesive bandage or Band-Aid will not be permitted in the pool. Persons having any considerable area of exposed sub skin tissues, open blister, cuts, are warned that these are likely to become infected. Such persons may not use the pool.
4. Any person who is experiencing diarrhea may not use the pool.
5. Running, boisterous or rough play, pushing, acrobatics, dunking, wrestling, diving or jumping haphazardly, snapping towels, improper conduct causing undue disturbances in or about the pool area or any acts which would endanger any patron are prohibited.
6. Spitting, spouting water, blowing nose or urinating in the pool is prohibited.
7. Non- Swimmers must remain in shallow water (Chest deep or less).
8. Soft inflatable beach balls are permitted in the pool. In the event of overcrowding, beach balls will be restricted as a safety measure.
9. Food and drinks are not permitted on the pool deck.
10. Gum chewing is not permitted anywhere in the pool facility for health and safety reasons
11. Patrons are not allowed to provide instructional activity for private gain.
12. Wearing eyeglasses in the pool is discouraged. If necessary, non-breakable lenses and frames are allowed.
13. No flips, back jumps, or back dives from the sides of the pool.
14. No playing on or congregating around the pool ladders.

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15. Water slide rules:

- Always slide feet first and only after previous slider has cleared the area.
- No jumping or diving from slide.
- Only one person at a time allowed on the slide.
- No play equipment on slide.

Knowing the risks involved on the pool slide, participant assumes all risk and accepts personal responsibility for damages of following such injury, permanent disability of death.

If it is raining, the pool will close when the lifeguard can no longer see the bottom of the pool.

1. Bathers will be asked to vacate the pool and seek shelter from the elements and return only until the all clear sign is given by the lifeguards to re- enter the pool.
2. If the pool water becomes too murky or cloudy, the pool will be closed until the next day in order to treat the pool with chemicals to ensure the water is clear and properly sanitized for swimming.

3. If you hear thunder or see lighting the following applies:

1. Clear the pool immediately and stay out of the water for 30 Minutes. If, for example, you get to some point in time before the 30 minutes have elapsed and you see lighting or hear thunder again, the clock stays again. You must stay out of the water for another full 30 minutes.

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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS PRETAING TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS PLEASE CALL THE COUNTY JUDGES OFFICE AT 830-563-2401.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RULES: _____
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