

City of La Porte Parks and Recreation Department

Pool Operations – Outdoor Pool Rules

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Policy

Outdoor Pool Rules

Purpose

The following rules are to prevent accidents and to help keep all staff and guests safe while enjoying their time at the Pool.

Procedure

A. General Pool Rules

1. The Lifeguard is the pool authority and is authorized to enforce all rules. If you encounter a problem, please contact the Pool Manager/Supervisor.
2. The following is not allowed:
 - a. Chewing gum
 - b. Cigarettes or tobacco products
 - c. Diving in shallow areas
 - d. Profanity
 - e. Horseplay
 - f. Public displays of affection
 - g. Toys or other aquatic equipment
3. No child under the age of eleven will be permitted in the pool, unless under the direct supervision of a responsible guardian, 16 years or older.
4. U.S. Coast Guard approved lifejackets only allowed as flotation devices.
5. Fighting is forbidden.
6. No glass containers in the facility.
7. Do not leave valuables unattended. The city does not take responsibility for loss/theft.
8. Pool will close for thirty minutes when thunder is heard or lightning is sighted and may present a danger to the public. The pool will reopen thirty minutes after the last thunder is heard or lightning is seen.
9. Alcohol and drugs are not allowed in the pool area.
10. Plastic toys allowed inside the pool area only with adult supervision.
11. Ten minutes before every hour, there will be a ten minute safety check when all swimmers will be asked to get out of the pool.
12. Showers must be taken each time before entering the pool.
13. Swimsuits are required.
14. Water diapers only.
15. Persons who have evidence of infectious or communicable disease are prohibited from the pool.

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16. Dispose of all trash in the trash receptacles provided.
17. No swimming allowed when lifeguards are not present and on stand.
18. Animals are not allowed in the pool area.
19. Infraction of any of the above rules may result in loss of swimming privileges and forfeiture of entry fee.
20. Money is not refunded once a cashier takes the admission.

Slide Rules

1. Riders must enter the slide in a sitting position and wait for instructions from the lifeguard stationed at the slide starter tub.
2. Non-Swimmers are not permitted.
3. Maximum rider age is 12 years.
4. Do not pull or propel yourself into the slide.
5. All Riders must ride feet first; DO NOT go down the slide head first.
6. No running, standing, kneeling, rotating, tumbling or stopping in the slide. Arms and hands must remain inside the slide at all times.
7. Only one rider at a time.
8. No tubes, mats, or life jackets are permitted on the water slide.
9. The line should form on the deck with one rider on each landing and one rider in the starter tub. Wait until landing area is clear before entering.
10. Riders must be in good health. Individuals with medical conditions including, but not limited to pregnancy, heart, or back problems should not ride.
11. Do not use the slide while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
12. No diving from the slide.
13. No roughhousing on or near the slide.
14. No running to the slide or up the stairs.
15. Leave the splash out area promptly after entering. Stay clear of the splash out area.
16. Rider assumes all risk of injury due to misuse of this slide or failure to follow these rules.