



2017 Pool Rules & Information

SAFETY FIRST! OBEY the lifeguards at ALL times. Both the Pool Manager and Lifeguards have the authority to enforce the following rules without question.

Members with pool privileges:

All Full Court Memberships and all Non-Court Memberships may enjoy the use of all the pools. All Social Memberships must abide by the guest rules, including paying the appropriate guest fee.

Open Pool Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Friday: 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday: 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

*NOTE: On the afternoons of Home Swim Meets, all pools will close at 4:00 p.m. except on Sunday, June 11 when the pool will close at 2:00 p.m.

Pool Opening Date: The full pool season is from May 29 – Labor Day.

(Extended though September- weekends only- conditions permitting)

- During all swim team practices, the baby pool, toddler area of adult pool and diving well will remain open for member and guest use.
- Members over 15 years of age may swim “at their own risk” outside of open pool hours *or when lifeguards are not present. No member or guest under 15 years of age is allowed in the pools without adult supervision at any time when lifeguards are not present.*
- *After the pool closes, only adult lap swimming is permitted.*

Guest Policy:

1. All guests are welcome to use our pools during pool open hours.
2. **All members and guests must register upon arrival at the pool.** A member must accompany all guests at the pool. All guest fees will be charged to the member’s account before being admitted to the pool area. **Guest Fees (all adults and children) = \$5.00 per person**
3. Members are responsible for the conduct of their guests. Any food or beverages must be charged to the member’s account.
4. Resident Guests (living in the greater Richmond area) may be entertained at the pool an unlimited number of times during the week (Monday- Friday). During weekends and holidays a guest is limited to two visits per month

5. Non- Resident Houseguests (boarding with a member) may enjoy pool privileges for \$25 per week per family with a limit of 4 weeks per summer. The member must purchase a Houseguest Card through the business office.
6. All nannies, in direct supervision of member children, will be issued a nanny pass for \$35 per month. The member must purchase a Nanny Pool Pass through the business office.

The following rules are in place to ensure the safety of all pool patrons, and the enjoyment of our pool by all of our members and their guests. All members are expected to familiarize themselves with our pool rules and share them with their children and guests.

POOL RULES:

1. Children must be at least **10 years of age** to be eligible to swim without adult supervision, except while participating in swim team practice.
2. **Rubber pants and swim diapers must be worn without exception by children not yet "toilet trained"**. If a child defecates in the pool and is not wearing approved swim diapers or rubber pants, the parents will be fined \$250. Should this happen with a guest, the member is responsible. Harmful bacteria including E-Coli are associated with all types of diapers. Sick children symptomatic of diarrhea should not swim within 24 hours of illness.
3. Children wearing approved **flotation devices** MUST be supervised by an adult at ALL times. Adults supervising children using these devices must be in the water with the child, not on the deck.
4. Recreational pool floats are prohibited.
5. The Baby Pool is intended for children ages 6 and under. No lifeguard is on duty in the Baby Pool. Parents must remain with their child AT ALL TIMES. If crowding becomes an issue, lifeguards may ask children older than 6 to leave the Baby Pool.
6. **Weather related issues are addressed by the lifeguards**. If lightening is observed, the pool and surrounding area will be evacuated. When thunder is heard, only the pool will be evacuated. Swimming may resume after a minimum of 30 minutes of clear conditions. When weather related issues occur during the last hour of pool operations, the pool will close for the remainder of the day.
7. All food and beverages must be provided by Westwood. Coolers containing outside food or alcoholic beverages are prohibited.
8. **Diving** is not permitted anywhere other than the diving well and the side of the pool with swim blocks. Diving from swim blocks is also prohibited. If you are unclear, check with a lifeguard. Neither back flips nor front flips are permitted off the wall.
9. Children may be requested to pass a test to use the diving well. Divers must be able to swim to the side of the diving well without assistance.

10. Only one person is allowed on the diving board. The diver must first reach the ladder before the next diver may go off the board.
11. Lifeguards may call the diving well to be "open" to allow swimming. During these open periods, the diving board is closed.
12. Do not hang on the lap lanes or ropes.
13. Do not touch the backstroke flags.
14. Please respect the adult lap lanes at all times.
15. Children not permitted in the whirlpool or at the bar.
16. Private parties are restricted to weekdays.
17. **Pool Toys** may be used at the discretion of the lifeguards. Crowded conditions may prohibit the use of some pool toys. Towels and non pool related items (such as coins, paper, etc) are not permitted in the pool at anytime.
18. At the discretion of the lifeguards, **Adult Swim** is recognized for 10 minutes every hour. During this time, no one under age 16 is permitted in the pool.
19. Safety comes first at Westwood. Running, pushing, wrestling and other unsafe behavior is not permitted.
20. Personal radios and other portable electronic devices are permitted only with the use of head or earphones.
21. Fraternalizing and socializing with the lifeguards, especially those on the stands, is not permitted.
22. Pets or companion animals, with the exception of certified seeing-eye dogs, are not permitted on pool property.
23. Personal cleanliness is held in the highest regard. Encourage your children to use the facilities provided.
24. Only swim suits and appropriate pool clothing is permitted in the pool.
25. All children, regardless of age, must remain clothed at all times in any pool or deck areas. Diapers and clothing shall be changed in pool restrooms.
26. Facility cleanliness is essential. Please deposit trash in trash cans which are conveniently located on the pool deck. No gum or spitting will be tolerated.

27. Communicable issues can prevent admission to the pool. Anyone having infectious diseases, excessive sunburn, open wounds, bandages, chicken pox, conjunctivitis (pink eye), nasal discharge or ear discharge will be denied access to the pool. The health department states that such issues compromise water cleanliness and potentially harm other persons using the pool.
28. No abusive or objectionable language is permitted.
29. Smoking is restricted to the outdoor bar.
30. Tennis balls are not permitted in the pool.
31. "Wall ball" is not permitted.
32. Rule enforcement is the responsibility of the lifeguards and the Pool Manager. Violators may be prohibited from using the pool for the remaining day of for the remaining summer swim season. Lifeguards have the authority to have a swimmer sit out of the water for up to 10 minutes. Swim team members are also subject to disciplinary issues by their coaches.

The following identifies actions taken by Westwood Club:

1st Violation: Expulsion from pool for remainder of day and parental notification.

2nd Violation: 5 day denied pool access and documented notification to the Westwood Club Board

3rd Violation: Permanent expulsion from pool for the remainder of the season and financial penalty.