

Lakeview Pool Rules: 2021

(Note: Unless noted, the word "pool" includes the main and wading pool.)



The following pool rules have been developed to assure safe and sanitary operation of the pool and associated facilities. These rules are required for the protection of all members and their guests and to insure their enjoyment of the pool and facilities.

All persons using the pool facilities or entering the pool property do so at their own risk. The pool is not responsible for lost or stolen items. A lost and found area is located next to the guard shack. Members are responsible for ensuring that all persons of the household and all guests observe and obey the rules and regulations.

The Lifeguards and Manager-on-Duty have the authority to enforce more stringent rules than those listed here to ensure the health, safety, and comfort of all participants. Participants not abiding by these rules may be asked to leave the facility and may also be subject to suspension or termination of facility privileges.

General Safety

1. Walk at all times while in the pool area.
2. No diving in the shallow end of the pool or in any area marked "NO DIVING."
3. No "horseplay" in or around the pool.
4. No playing on ladders, stairs, ropes, fences or with rescue equipment.
5. **Children 12 and under are not permitted at the pool without a designated parent or responsible supervisor. The responsible supervisor must be at least 16 years old.**
6. Persons wishing to enter water deeper than the level of their shoulders must be able to swim one length of the pool while remaining in a horizontal position without stopping or repelling from the sides or the bottom, or accompanied within arm's reach by a competent swimmer 16 years of age or older.
7. Children 10 and under must pass the Safety First test administered by pool staff to use the slide or diving boards. The test consists of the following: Swim one length of the pool (25 meters), and tread water for 60 seconds. These tests must be administered within 5 minutes of one another but not necessarily as a continuous act.
8. Children under 5 years using either pool must be accompanied by a responsible supervisor who shall remain within reach of the child at all times.
9. For your safety, only United States Coast Guard-approved personal flotation devices (life vests) may be used in the pool. Persons using such devices are required to be accompanied, within arm's reach, of a responsible supervisor. See "Other Rules" below regarding rafts and other flotation devices.
10. Extended breath holding and other hypoxic workouts are not permitted.
11. Swimmers MUST stay off lap lanes, ropes, safety lines and lifeguard stands.
12. Spouting water and other unhygienic actions will not be permitted in the pool area.
13. Members shall drive slowly and carefully on the driveway and parking lot area. Bikes must be locked in the bike racks outside the main pool entrance. Skateboarding, scooters and rollerblading will not be allowed inside the fenced area or in the parking lot.

14. All injuries occurring within the pool enclosure must be reported immediately to the Manager-on-Duty.

Pool Closings

Lakeview abides by Fairfax County and State of Virginia Health Code Standards. Additionally, the pool will be closed for the following reasons:

1. Operational and mechanical difficulties affecting pool water quality.
2. During severe weather conditions (heavy rain, lightning, and thunder) and warnings, especially when visibility to the pool bottom is compromised (deck also closed).
3. For a minimum of **30 minutes** following the last occurrence of thunder or lightning (deck also closed). During periods of lightning, members and guests will be cleared from the facility, as soon as reasonably safe.
4. For a period of time following any mishap that results in feces or vomit in the pool water.

Protect our water

1. For your safety and the safety of others (and per Fairfax County Dept. of Health rules), admission to the pool will be denied to all persons having infectious diseases, inflamed eyes, colds, nasal or ear discharges, or any communicable disease of any kind. Persons with excessive sunburns or open sores will also be restricted from using the pool.
2. All bathers who are not toilet trained shall wear a tight fitting swim diaper.
3. Disposable cotton diapers are not permitted in the pool.
4. Please do not use the pool if you or a member of your party has or has had diarrhea in the last two weeks.
5. Report any vomiting or bowel movement accidents on the pool deck, bathrooms, and pools to the Manager-on-Duty.

Use of the Diving Boards, Diving Tank, and Diving

1. Only one person is allowed on the diving board tower or board at a time. Taking more than one bounce, running, or loitering on the end of the diving board is prohibited.
2. Diving is permitted only after the previous diver has reached the wall or ladder.
3. Divers must execute dives off the end of the board and jump or dive straight forward off the board (not towards the pool wall).
4. Divers must swim out of the diving area to an appropriate ladder immediately after surfacing.
5. Throwing items to the diver while on the board or while in the air is prohibited.
6. Observe all painted "no dive zones" on the deck, and any "no diving" instructions from lifeguards.
7. The pool area between the diving board bases and the dedicated lap lane marker is designated the 'Diving Tank' and will be used for diving, unless the lifeguard monitoring the Diving Tank closes the diving boards and designates its use for a group game during a swim session. In general, the Diving Tank will be open for diving for a minimum of 30 minutes per 45-minute swim session.

Use of the Slide

1. Only one person is allowed on the water slide, platform or ladder at any time.
2. Swimmers must go down the slide feet first in a sitting position.

3. Jumping or diving from the edge of the pool in the vicinity of the water slide, or intentionally stopping after entering the slide tube, is not permitted.
4. No one shall slide until the area is clear below the slide.
5. If crowded conditions exist, the Manager-on-Duty may close the slide for safety reasons.

Food and the pool

1. Glass, breakable containers, or similar items are not allowed on the premises.
2. All refuse and recyclables will be placed in the proper containers surrounding the pool area.
3. Alcoholic beverages are permitted ONLY during special event with prior board approval board-sanctioned events.
4. No food or drink is allowed in the pools.

Consideration for others:

1. To maintain a safe and family environment, revealing or see-through bathing suits, thongs, shorts with rivets and clothing generally considered offensive will not be permitted.
2. Amplified music or radios with external speakers will not be allowed.
3. Illegal drugs will not be permitted in the pool or on its grounds. The Pool is a Smoke Free Zone. Smoking is strictly prohibited inside the property line.
4. No animal shall be permitted within any water recreation facility; provided, however, this section shall not apply to support animals that provide assistance to the physically challenged. Support animals that provide such assistance shall not enter the pool water.
5. Masks, fins and snorkels are only allowed in the lap lane, shallow portion of the main pool, and wading pool, provided they are being used appropriately.
6. Members are responsible for the actions of their guests
7. Unruly or inappropriate behavior (wrestling, dunking, etc.) will not be tolerated. Profane, loud or abusive behavior is prohibited and is grounds for expulsion.

Wading Pool Rules

1. All children using the Wading Pool MUST be accompanied and closely monitored by a responsible supervisor within the Wading Pool fence.
2. The Wading Pool is for children six (6) years of age or younger.
3. All diaper changing must be performed in the changing facilities provided in our facility bathrooms.
4. Wading Pool toys must be small enough to fit, fully inflated, into a 30"x30"x30" box.
5. No Diving allowed

Cameras (Video & Still)/Camera Phones

1. Lakeview Pool recognizes the desire for individuals to document activities with family and friends; however, this should not infringe on the right to privacy of others.
2. Photographs or videos should not be taken of others without their permission. Cameras (video & still) have no reason to be in the bathhouses. Camera phones shall not be used while in these areas.

Other Rules

1. All children under 16 years of age must leave the main pool for a fifteen-minute period each hour at the designated break. The lifeguards will clear the pool at 45 minutes past the hour and allow swimmers to re-enter the pool at the top of the hour. Members and guests 16 years

of age or older are allowed to stay in the pool during the break. Children under 3 years of age are allowed to stay in the pool during the break while under direct control of a responsible supervisor aged 16 years or older.

2. Inner tubes or other rafts may not be used in the Main Pool, except during designated "Raft / Float nights". The use of super soakers or other powerful squirt guns is prohibited. Use of toys may be restricted at the discretion of the lifeguard.
3. Lakeview Pool cannot be held responsible for loss or damage to personal property of any kind. Please keep a close watch on personal items and report any suspicious behavior.
4. Obey the lifeguards. Violators will be asked to leave the facility immediately without a refund.
5. No talking with on duty lifeguards unless it is official business or an emergency.
6. Anyone caught vandalizing or destroying pool facilities will lose their membership for the remainder of the pool season without a refund.
7. No one is allowed in or around the mechanical room except authorized pool staff.
8. Only necessary short LOCAL calls may be made on the pool telephone.
9. The Manager-on-Duty is responsible for the strict enforcement of the rules and ensuring the facility is operated in a safe and peaceful manner for all to enjoy.
10. The Manager-on-Duty has the authorization to temporarily deprive any member or guest use of this facility and may use discretion in the enforcement of these and other rules and regulations.