

## **NOTICE** **Kennington POA** **Swimming Pool Rules and Regulations**

All references to age in the following Swimming Pool Rules and Regulations are established for the health, safety, and welfare of all persons entering and using the Kennington Pool Facilities.

The Pool Attendants (Lifeguards and Gate Guards) are responsible for and authorized to, enforce all rules described here and may evict violators as they deem necessary.

All Members will receive a wallet-sized pool pass with their photos. Pool passes must be brought to the pool to gain entry. A gate guard will validate pool membership prior to entry. Should a resident move out of Kennington, they are responsible for returning their pool passes to the Management Company. If passes are not returned, there will be a \$35 charge assessed.

The swimming pool will be used only during scheduled hours when Lifeguards are on duty. The Lifeguards have the authority to close the pool at any time, in consideration of the health and safety of the members. (Cold weather, rain, electrical storms, equipment malfunction, etc.) If the pool is to be closed for more than 2 hours, the Lifeguards must obtain approval from a Pool Committee member or a Board Member.

A certified lifeguard will be always on duty when the pool is open. They have the authority to use their discretion to enforce the rules and regulations and maintain a safe and healthy environment.

The following rules have been designed and adopted to ensure the equitable use by, and safety of, all swimmers using the pool. Please remember that this is a family swimming pool and that the rights, privileges, and safety of all swimmers, should be respected. It is the responsibility of each Member and their Guests to abide by all rules.

- 1) Pool facilities will be entered and exited through the front gate only. Jumping the fence coming in or leaving will automatically count as 2 suspensions.
- 2) All persons using the pool do so at their own risk.
- 3) Members must be in good standing (account current) in order to use the pool facilities.
- 4) The Association is not responsible for the personal property of members, dependents, or guests, which is left, lost, damaged, or stolen on Association property.
- 5) Any Association property willfully damaged by any Members or Guests will be repaired at the Member's expense (Members are accountable for the actions of their guests.) Pool Privileges may be suspended at the discretion of the Pool Committee and/or the Pool Management Company.
- 6) Abusive language, breach of the peace, or inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated.
- 7) Children age 15 and under must be accompanied by an immediate family member over the age of 18 or appointed guardian (18 or older) at all times children are at the pool.
- 8) An adult member (Age 18 or older) must accompany guests. Members are responsible for the conduct of their guests & should advise them of facility rules and regulations.
- 9) All swimmers must wear appropriate bathing suits. CHILDREN NOT TOILET TRAINED MUST WEAR SWIM DIAPERS AND A BATHING SUIT OR PLASTIC PANTS AND A BATHING SUIT.
- 10) Children who cannot swim MUST be within the arm's reach of a parent or guardian who is responsible for supervising the child with no exceptions.
- 11) Do not enter the water if you are experiencing or recovering from diarrhea or have had any signs or symptoms of a gastrointestinal (stomach) disease in the past seven (7) days.
- 12) Any person showing evidence of any communicable skin diseases, sore or inflamed eyes, cold, nasal or ear discharge, or any other communicable diseases shall be denied admission to the pool.
- 13) ONLY Children in the baby pool and the shallow end of the large pool may wear approved life jackets, water wings, and ring vests (puddle jumpers) when accompanied and supervised by an adult. Children must be always within the arm's reach of the adult.

- 14) Use of the baby (wading pool) is limited to children 5 years old and under and must be under the direct supervision of a responsible person. **OLDER CHILDREN ARE NOT PERMITTED IN THE BABY POOL.** Children using the wading pool are the responsibility of the parents, not the lifeguards, and must be always accompanied by an adult (age 18 and over).
- 15) Lifejacket and goggles will be allowed, at the pool attendants' discretion and with expressed permission.
- 16) Raft/Float Policy:
- Allowed even during rest periods (Adult Swims)
  - 1 person per device
  - Inner tubes 36" or less in diameter.
  - Rafts cannot be longer than 70" or wider than 36"
  - Inflatable boats are not allowed
  - Devices will be restricted to the main pool area. They will not be permitted in the wading areas.
- 17) NO GLASSWARE OR BREAKABLE PLASTIC will be permitted inside the gate area of the pool.
- 18) Bikes, skateboards, scooters, skates, wagons, etc. are NOT allowed in the fenced area of the pool. Only baby carriages and wheelchairs are permitted. For safety reasons, all bicycles are to be parked outside of the pool fence, but not in front of the pool gate.
- 19) Pets are not permitted inside the pool fenced-in area. Only Service dogs will be allowed.
- 20) Gum is NOT allowed inside the pool-fenced area.
- 21) Water balloons and water guns are not permitted inside the pool fenced-in areas.
- 22) Throwing and/or kicking of Frisbees or other objects within the pool are prohibited. Please get lifeguard approval of any questionable toys.
- 23) Absolutely NO HORSEPLAY of any kind is allowed in the pool or the pool's fenced-in area (RUNNING, PUSHING, DUNKING, etc.) The pool attendants have the authority to dismiss anyone from the pool if his or her actions are judged hazardous or inappropriate in any manner. \*\*\*\*\*Failure to comply with a pool attendant may justify a longer period of dismissal which will not be reduced, even if the original problem was resolved completely in the swimmer's failure.
- 24) Street shoes are not permitted on the coping apron of either pool.
- 25) No flips or backward or forward dives are permitted from the side of the pool.
- 26) Proper swimwear must be worn while in the swimming pool. Street clothing, jeans, shoes, cut-offs, gym clothes, casual shorts, and thongs are prohibited.
- 27) No eating or drinking while in the pool or at its edges are allowed.
- 28) No alcoholic beverages or smoking (to include any use of tobacco products, electronic cigarettes, or vaping) will be permitted inside the pool fence.
- 29) Do not use the pool when under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- 30) Lifeguards have the discretion to prohibit swimmers from entering the pool if they have open wounds, sores, or are bleeding.
- 31) Radios/music devices may be brought into the pool area. However, the pool attendant will control the level of the sound.
- 32) Everyone must exit the pool in the event of an emergency. The signal is three whistle blasts from the lifeguards.
- 33) The pool will be closed at the discretion of the Lifeguard during electrical storms. All guests must exit the pool deck during an electrical storm.
- 34) Swimmers are encouraged to shower prior to entering the pool, especially if they are sweaty and/or dirty.
- 35) Only authorized personnel is allowed to be in the lifeguard stand/stations. Members are not permitted around the gate-guard area or to hang out at the gate guard area (except for the pool committee or board members or gate guards assisting at the gate or welcoming members to the pool).
- 36) Unless an emergency arises, ALL conversations with the pool attendants should be restricted to "OFF DUTY" time. (When they are not on the lifeguard stand). Any interference with a lifeguard while "ON DUTY" is considered a major infraction of the pool rules.
- 37) There will be a 15 minutes rest break period (AKA Adult Swim) every hour starting 45 minutes after the hour. The wading (baby pool) is not affected by the break.
- 38) Kennington Resident Member Guest Policy:
- Guests must be with a current member (over the age of 18) of the pool while visiting the pool.
  - Guest Pass Books are available for \$25 for five (5) or \$50 for ten (10) passes through the Association. All Guest Passes are no longer transferable to a future pool season. Two guests per family are admitted free

- per visit. A maximum of five (5) guests (2 free + 3 guest passes) per family are allowed without prior permissions.
- c. A maximum of ten (10) guests (2 free + 8 guest passes) may be permitted if previously arranged in writing and approved by the Pool Committee, at least four (4) days prior to the pool visit.
  - d. Children under the age of three (3) are admitted without charge.
  - e. All guests must be signed in by a Member with the gate attendant and abide by the pool rules.  
\*\*Members will be held accountable for the behavior of their guests.

39) Non-Resident Guest Policy:

- a. Guests must be with a current member (over the age of 18) of the pool while visiting the pool.
- b. Guest Pass Books are available for \$25 for five (5) or \$50 for ten (10) passes through the Association, with a limit of five guests per visit. All Guest Passes are no longer transferable to a future pool season.
- c. Children under the age of three (3) are admitted without charge.
- d. All guests must be signed in by a Member with the gate attendant and abide by the pool rules.  
\*\*Members will be held accountable for the behavior of their guests.

### **POOL LIFT RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- 40) Pool lift use will only be allowed for persons who are physically unable to enter the pool via the steps.
- 41) Only persons over the age of 18 are allowed to operate the lift.
- 42) The lift may only be utilized when a lifeguard who has been trained in the lift's proper operation is present.
- 43) Any person who wishes to utilize the handicap lift must be trained by a lifeguard to do so, before use or once each season. This training must be noted on the member's pool application.
- 44) The operator and lifeguard(s) must obey all instructions listed in the owner's manual each time the lift is utilized.
- 45) Maximum lift capacity is 300 pounds. Do not utilize the lift for the movement of persons over the maximum lift capacity.
- 46) The seatbelt must be fastened during lift use.
- 47) Lower armrests before moving the lift.
- 48) The lift must not be used if the red *SERVICE REQUIRED LED LIGHT* is illuminated.

### **DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES FOR POOL RULES INFRACTIONS**

- 1) **First Infraction**, a verbal warning from the lifeguards will be given.
- 2) **Second Infraction**, a verbal warning is at the discretion of the lifeguards. An infraction is based upon an individual or group, NOT specific action, i.e. Lifeguard warns a member for running, and then 5 minutes later said member is hanging on the lifeguard stand. The decision to give a second warning or to sit the individual(s) out will be based on the judgment of the Lifeguards, the severity of the infraction, and the possible impact on bystanders.
- 3) **Third Infraction**, individuals sit out for 15 minutes.
- 4) **Fourth Infraction**, the individual is suspended for the remainder of the day and is not allowed back on the following day.

***At any time the Lifeguards feel the safety of the patrons is at risk, they are empowered to invoke number 4 above, with or without going through any of the preceding steps.***

Complaints around excessive use of the above actions, or not enough usage need to be submitted in writing to the Pool Committee and turned in at the Management Company Office with a copy to the Board. Please include at least two witnesses.

**Written notification** will be sent to the household when members are suspended from the pool. *Any Argument or refusal to leave when suspended will be treated at minimum as a suspension and subject to review by the Pool Committee for further action to be recommended to the board of directors.*

If a **second suspension** occurs, children under the age of 18 will not be allowed back to the pool without a parent/legal guardian 18 or older, for the remainder of the pool season. If the member is 18 or over, the Pool Committee will review the infractions and recommend to the board of directors that the member in question have the pool privileges suspended for a minimum of 1 week.

In the event of a **3<sup>rd</sup> suspension**, the Pool Committee will review the infractions and the member in question will have privileges suspended for a minimum of 1 month.

If the member wishes (or if under 18 and the parents wish) to appeal the punitive action, they must do so in writing within 3 days using one of the available Complaint Forms. Forms must include 1 witness, 18 or older outside of the family. Complaint forms will be addressed to the Pool Committee and turned in at the Community Office. Pool Committee will review and prepare a recommended response to the board of directors within 3 days. A written response to the appeal complaint form will be sent within 5 days after the appeal complaint form was received.