

Regulation 3280R.1

Community Relations

COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES GUIDELINES: SWIMMING POOL

Responsibility for overall administration of the swimming pool program is delegated by the Superintendent of Schools to the Athletic Director and Head Lifeguard.

Eligibility (For Participation in Out-Of-School Swim Program)

When the pool is operated by the District, programs will be open to West Irondequoit residents.

When the pool is operated by an agency under contract with the Board of Education, eligibility for participation will be established as part of the contract.

Supervision

All pool programs will be under the general supervision of the Athletic Director and Head Lifeguard. He/she will be responsible for determining that all phases of the pool operation are consistent with the District's policy and administrative regulations or with the contract if operation is by an agency contracting with the Board of Education. The Athletic Director, Head Lifeguard and Director of Community Education shall be responsible for approving selection of instructors and life guards. The Head Lifeguard is responsible for acquainting these persons with the District's policy and administrative regulations and with their specific duties and responsibilities.

Instructors will be selected and paid by the District, if the program is District-operated, or selected and paid by the agency operating under contract with the District. Guards will be selected and paid by the District for all programs.

Insofar as possible, persons regularly employed in the District will be given preference for employment as instructors and lifeguards.

Instructional personnel must hold current American Red Cross Water Safety Instructors' Certificates.

Any exception to this regulation will be subject to the approval of the Athletic Director and Head Lifeguard. Persons holding current American Red Cross Lifeguarding Certificates, First Aid, and CPR/AED for Professional Rescuer may perform lifeguard duties.

There must be a minimum of two (2) lifeguards on duty at all times the pool is in use. The maximum number of people permitted to use the pool at one time is 84.

Health Practices

1. No person shall use the pool if he/she has a communicable disease, a nasal or ear discharge, a boil or other open sore, an abrasion or infection, planters' warts, athlete's foot, or any other condition which, in the judgment of the supervisor, is not in the best health interests of other participants.
 - a. All persons are expected to bring the conditions outlined above to the attention of the instructor/guard.

- b. The instructor/guard will conduct an inspection of all participants to determine that the conditions outlined above are not present.
2. Participants must shower thoroughly in the pool shower room immediately prior to use of pool.
3. Cosmetics shall not be worn on the face or body when in the pool.
4. : The following are prohibited:
 - a. Use when pool is closed
 - b. Spitting, sprouting water
 - c. Blowing nose in water
 - d. Urinating or defecating in water
 - e. Glass objects
 - f. Persons with open rashes or sores
 - g. Food, eating, chewing gum
5. Chapter VI of the Sanitary Code established by the Public Health Council of the State of New York and all Monroe County Health Department regulations and requirements relative to pool operation are acknowledged as part of these administrative regulations.

Emergency Procedures

In any emergency, an ambulance must be called through 911. The pool phone or pool office phone are available, (see Pool Safety Plan, page 13)

Safety Practice

1. The following safety equipment shall be available and in proper places at all times:
 - a. a minimum of one life buoys with sufficient rope attached and arranged for immediate use
 - b. a minimum of one shepherd's crook and two lifeguard tubes with attached 6' rope
 - c. a blanket
 - d. a first-aid kit
 - e. two backboards,
 - f. 1 AED
 - g. a float line for defining shallow area of pool.
2. The Head Lifeguard shall be responsible for advising and instructing guards/instructors regarding the availability and use of safety equipment and emergency procedures.
3. No more than 84 persons may be in the pool at any one time.
4. During family swim sessions, children must be accompanied by parents.
5. The instructor/guard shall enter the pool area first and shall be the last to leave.
6. At no time is anyone to be alone in the pool area. This regulation includes, among others, instructors/guards, custodians, and other school personnel.

7. Doors leading into the pool area must be locked at all times when the pool is not in use or when the instructor/guard is not in attendance.
8. The instructor/guard shall refuse admittance to or evict anyone whose actions or presence is a nuisance or source of danger to other participants.
9. It will be the prerogative of the instructor/guard to determine any participant's swimming ability. If the instructor groups swimmers according to swimming ability, each group must remain in its designated area.
10. Only one person will be allowed on the diving board at any one time. Starting blocks must be covered to prevent use during non-competitive activities.
11. Diving is allowed from the end of the diving board only. Area below diving board must be clear before diving. Swimming in diving area when diving board is in use is prohibited. After surfacing from a dive, the swimmer must immediately swim to either side of the pool. Diving from the diving board is reserved for instruction and competition only.
12. The pool deck must be kept clear of all unnecessary equipment.
13. Equipment such as masks, fins, goggles, etc. may not be used unless authorized by the instructor/guard. Scuba diving equipment may be use only during authorized scuba diving classes.
14. School equipment, (e.g., kickboards, rubber bricks, diving rings), may be used only with authorization of the instructor/guard and must be returned to this person at the close of the session.
15. Wearing of street shoes on pool deck, wearing of jewelry in the pool, unauthorized materials, and smoking are prohibited in the pool area. Running, pushing, ducking, and tag games are prohibited also.
16. Two rules and regulations signs must be posted—one on the East wall of the pool and one on the North wall of the pool area. Signs must also be posted in the boys and girls locker rooms.

Other

Participants in the swim program must provide their own suits and towels.

Personal items left in the pool or locker room areas will be held for thirty days, after which unclaimed property will be disposed of by the District's Head Lifeguard.

Refer also to:
Regulation #3280R *Community Use of School Facilities Guidelines*

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