



Swimming Pool and Hot Tub Rules and Regulations

The Master Association is encouraging the responsible use of our community pool & hot tub facilities. Let's treat our pool & hot tub as if it were our own property.

General Rules

1. When present, the lifeguard is the **FINAL AUTHORITY** within the fenced pool area.
2. Absolutely **no one under 14 is permitted inside the fenced pool area alone at any time.**
3. Absolutely **no glass** or breakable dishes are permitted inside the fenced pool area.
4. Absolutely **no smoking or vaping** is permitted inside the fenced pool area.
5. Absolutely **no pets** are permitted inside the fenced pool area.
6. Absolutely **no food** is permitted while in the pool or hot tub or at the edge of the pool or hot tub.
7. Absolutely **no one is permitted in the pool or hot tub** when there is **thunder or lightning.**
8. Absolutely **no propping open of any pool area access gate.**
9. Absolutely **no chewing gum** while in the pool or hot tub.
10. Absolutely **no wading or playing in the fountain** area of the pool.
11. Absolutely **no one is allowed on** the fountain walls of the pool.
12. Absolutely **no hanging from the pool sconces.**
13. Absolutely **no diving** in the pool.
14. Absolutely **no hanging on/sitting on the pool lane dividers.**
15. Absolutely no one is permitted in the pool equipment room. Pool equipment room is for use by **AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ONLY**
16. No foul or coarse language, spitting water, nose blowing, urinating in the pool or hot tub
17. Absolutely no running, pushing, ball playing on the pool deck, horseplay, and other noisy and/or disorderly conduct. Small beach balls and other appropriate swimming pool balls may be tossed in the pool provided this action is not splashing or otherwise disturbing others using the pool.
18. To avoid staining the poolside furniture with oils and lotions, place a towel on your chair or chaise before sitting or lying down
19. Always take home any pool toys, pool floats, towels, and other objects that you brought with you when you leave for the day. Replace all noodles and toys in the bin provided.
20. Dispose of all trash you have generated. Please pick up and dispose of any food debris that may have fallen on the ground in the area where you were sitting. Trash and Recycle bins are provided for your use.
21. Do not use the pool or hot tub if you are wearing bandages or have skin abrasions, lesions, a cold, a cough, inflamed eyes, open sores, infection, and nasal or ear discharge.

22. Do not use the pool or hot tub if you have an infection or communicable disease which may be transmitted by the pool or hot tub water.
23. **Close pool umbrellas when you are finished using them.**
24. You may use battery-operated radios or other personal sound systems in the fenced pool area only if the music is kept at a reasonable level and is not offensive to others using the pool facility. Ear buds are recommended.

Rules for Hot Tub Usage

1. **Children requiring swim diapers are not permitted in the hot tub.**
2. A cover is provided to maintain cleanliness of the Hot Tub. Cover should be replaced after use.
3. Absolutely no regular toys, pool toys, pool noodles, pool floats, etc. are permitted in the hot tub.
4. Absolutely no diving or swimming in the hot tub.
5. Do not put your head underwater at any time while in the hot tub.
6. Do not use the hot tub when alone.
7. Do not use electrical appliances in or near the pool or hot tub.
8. **For any child using the hot tub, a responsible adult must be either in the hot tub with the child or sitting directly on the edge of the hot tub, within arm's reach of the child.**
9. Pregnant women, persons suffering from heart disease, diabetes, and/or high or low blood pressure should consult a physician before using the hot tub.
10. Use of the hot tub incurs a risk of drowning. Do not use the pool or hot tub while under the influence of alcohol, narcotics, or other drugs that may cause impaired judgement, drowsiness or lower blood pressure.
11. Enter and exit the hot tub slowly. Never stand up quickly.
12. Exit the hot tub immediately if you feel ill or start to feel queasy or dizzy.
13. Do not remain in the hot tub longer than 10 to 15 minutes. Cool down before re-entering.
14. Children must yield to adults who want to use the jets in the hot tub.

Safety

1. **REPORT ALL INJURIES TO THE LIFEGUARD**
2. **ALL WHO USE THE POOL AND HOT TUB DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK.** When in the pool and hot tub area, act with the utmost care and caution to avoid accident and injury not only to you, but also to others.
3. All pool gates must remain closed at all times. **Access to the pool area is via key card only.**
4. **If you are bringing food and beverages, please be sure to bring your own coolers. The upstairs refrigerator is for use by upstairs community center only.**
5. All pool and hot tub users must shower before entering the pool or hot tub. Perspiration and sunscreen affect the chemical balances in the pool and hot tub.
6. **WHEN WEATHER CONDITIONS SUCH AS ELECTRICAL STORMS OR HIGH WINDS DICTATE THAT THE POOL MUST BE CLOSED IN THE INTEREST OF SAFETY, ALL PERSONS MUST VACATE THE POOL AREA IMMEDIATELY.**
7. In case of emergency, the pool will be cleared of all persons.

Care and Safety of Children

1. Direct adult supervision of every child at all times while they are in the pool or hot tub is essential to ensure their safety. (Lifeguard is not a babysitter)
2. Children must yield to adults who wish to use the lap lanes or other deeper areas of the pool for swimming or exercising.
3. Swim diapers are mandatory for all children who are not toilet trained. They are readily available for purchase online. **NO CHILDREN REQUIRING SWIM DIAPERS ARE PERMITTED IN THE HOT TUB.**
4. Extra attention is required while supervising children while the grill is in use.
5. Unsupervised children are limited to bathrooms and are not allowed to wander into the community center or fitness room unaccompanied.

Schedule

The pool and hot tub are open every day, weather permitting, from Memorial Day through Labor Day, 6am-9pm. The pool and hot tub may be used only during the regularly scheduled times. The pool and hot tub are available to all Links residents during the scheduled times. No group ever has exclusivity over the pool and hot tub area. Lifeguard is available on weekends and holidays only during the pool season from 10:00am to 6:00pm.

Pool Use for Links Homeowner Events

Links homeowners planning for large parties (10 or more participants) must contact a Community Center Oversight Committee (CCOC) member for prior approval. Please send an email to linkscoc@gmail.com.

There is no additional charge for a large party when the Links homeowner is only bringing family members.

There is an additional charge if the Links homeowner wants to bring in kids' sports teams, scouting troops, work friends, and/or other non-family guests. A flat rate of \$25 is charged to cover additional cleaning and hygienic supplies.

To obtain prior approval, all Links homeowners planning such events must sign and submit the **"Pool Use for Links Homeowner Events Form"** located on the CCOC Website, thereby agreeing to control their guests and acknowledge the Links homeowner's responsibility for any damages incurred by and/or excessive clean up necessitated by the actions of their guests. Detailed instructions are located on the form including fees.

Complaints

All complaints pertaining to the pool and hot tub MUST be submitted in writing and sent to linkscoc@gmail.com. A response will be sent back to you as soon as possible.

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