



AQUATIC CENTER RULES & REGULATIONS

ELIGIBLE USERS

1. A daily fee of \$5 will be charged. Ages one and younger will be free. Spectators (non-paying guests) are allowed on the pool deck during open swim, but are not allowed to enter the water.
2. Children under the age of ten must have a parent or responsible party in the building at all times. They are not to be dropped off at the Activity Center. A responsible party is defined as a person sixteen years of age or older. Children age 4 and 11 months and younger must be within arm's reach of a responsible party, who must be in the water, at all times.
3. Supervision for groups of children may not exceed eight children per responsible party. The responsible party must maintain visual contact at all times.
4. Admittance to the aquatic center will be refused for the following reasons:
 - inability to care for self
 - improper attire
 - improper behavior
 - infectious conditions or contagious disease such as colds, open sores, influenza, eye infections, rash, or diarrhea.

SWIMWEAR & DIAPER POLICY

1. Proper swimsuits must be worn. Cutoffs, gym shorts, sports bras, regular undergarments, street clothing, etc., are prohibited. Thongs and other excessively revealing swimsuits are also prohibited.
2. Individuals wishing to request a variance from this policy due to religious or medical reasons must see the aquatic supervisor on duty to complete a swimwear variance request form.
3. All non-toilet trained (incontinent) patrons must wear a swim diaper and proper swim attire at all times. For sanitary reasons, all clothing and diaper changes must be made in the family changing or locker rooms.

GENERAL POOL AND LOCKER ROOM RULES

1. No running on pool deck.
2. No food is allowed on pool deck. Water is allowed in a plastic bottle only.
3. Water toys are permitted in the zero-depth pool only. Inflatables are prohibited in both pools. This includes, but is not limited to, inflatable toys, inner tubes, and rafts. Noodles and soft toys (such as Splash balls) are allowed in the zero-depth pool. Individual circumstances (i.e. number of swimmers in pool, age, size, etc.) may arise regarding the use of toys, floatables, inflatables, etc. When these situations occur, staff members may use discretion in regulating these policies in order to maintain a safe pool environment.
4. Personal flotation devices must be U.S. Coast Guard approved. A responsible party must be within arm's reach of the person using the floatation device at all times.
5. Children five years and older must use the locker room facility appropriate for their gender. Family changing rooms are also available.
6. BVRC is not responsible for lost or stolen items. All items are the responsibility of the owner. Lockers are available in the locker rooms, but patrons must provide their own lock. Locks should be used only when the locker is in use and must be removed daily. BVRC will remove any locks left overnight.
7. Swimming classes, including private lessons, are limited to those offered by the BVRC. These are the only lessons permitted in the aquatic center.
8. Reasonable and safe accommodations will be made for any guest with special needs. Please see the aquatics staff for assistance.
9. Swimmers violating personal conduct regulations, written or verbal, may be subject to disciplinary action or asked to leave without a refund.

ZERO-DEPTH POOL

1. No running in the zero-depth area.
2. Patrons may not be carried on another's shoulders or back in the activity pool.
3. Patrons should closely watch their children near the entrance of the current channel, as this has swiftly moving water.
4. Only noodles and soft toys (such as splash balls) are allowed in the zero-depth pool.
5. Diving is strictly prohibited in the zero-depth pool.
6. Swimmers must enter the lazy river channel from the starting end of the river (north side). No one should enter this area by jumping from the pool deck, as injury could occur.
7. Floatable (anchored toys) rules:
 - Standing on the floatable is prohibited.
 - Pushing others off of the floatable is prohibited.
 - Remain clear of the anchor chains at all times.
 - Swimming under the floatable is prohibited.

LAP POOL

1. During times of designated lap swim, no other activity will take place in the lap lane area. Lap swimmers must be actively swimming, walking, or jogging laps.
2. A circular pattern will be used for lap swimmers. Swimmers should stay to the right side of the lane, swimming in a counter-clockwise direction. Additional lanes may be added when space allows.
3. Lap swimmers should be courteous to one another, maintaining a reasonable distance between swimmers.
4. Slam dunking or hanging on the basketball goal is not permitted. All basketball play shall occur in the water. "Throw-ins" and jumping from the deck are prohibited.
5. Only soft foam throw toys (such as splash balls) are allowed in the lap pool. Noodles are not permitted in the lap pool.
6. Diving is permitted only in the nine-foot deep area of the lap pool. Backward dives, inwards, reverse dives, twists, "suicides" or "sailor dives" and flips are *strictly prohibited*.
7. Floatable rules:
 - Standing on the floatable is prohibited.
 - Pushing others off of the floatable is prohibited.
 - Remain clear of the anchor chains at all times.
 - Swimming under the floatable is prohibited.

AQUATICS TRAINING

In an attempt to provide the safest facility possible, our staff undergoes extensive training. We may simulate rescue situations at any time, including during recreational swim times. This training may include the use of "life-like" mannequins or "live victims" placed in the pool or on the deck. In the event that you witness one of these training sessions, please do not be alarmed and/or call "911". The aquatics management staff will notify all patrons of this training as it prepares our staff to respond to emergency situations. Our goal is to provide patrons with a safe and clean aquatic environment where families may enjoy themselves. However, parents are expected to closely supervise their children in and around the pool and assist in enforcing the pool rules.

RECREATIONAL WATER ILLNESS (RWI)

RWI's are germs like Cryptosporidium (Crypto), Giardia, and Shigella. These germs are spread by accidentally swallowing water that has been contaminated with fecal matter. Our aquatic center uses an automated chemical delivery system in order to maintain optimum levels of disinfectant, but some RWI's are very difficult to control. In an attempt to prevent the spread of RWI's, we require all non-toilet trained patrons entering the pool to wear "waterproof swim diapers" or plastic pants with elastic legs and an elastic waistband. Also, anyone who has experienced diarrhea symptoms within the last two weeks should not use the aquatics facility. We ask that parents please take their children to the restroom before entering the pool to avoid accidents. Children should be discouraged from drinking pool water.