# THE PLANTATIONS TWO COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC. SWIMMING POOL RULES AND OPERATING POLICY

IN THE INTEREST OF ENSURING PLEASURABLE SWIMMING FOR ALL, TO ENSURE MAXIMUM SAFETY AND BETTER POOL MANAGEMENT, THE FOLLOWING POLICY HAS BEEN ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF THE PLANTATIONS TWO HOMEOWNERS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

For the purposes of this policy, "pool" and/or "pool area" is defined as the complete area around the pools enclosed by the fence and also includes the pool building, including the shower rooms and pool office.

#### **GENERAL POLICIES:**

- 1. All members or guests using the pool or pool area do so at their own risk and sole responsibility, and will be held responsible for all actions of their children and guests. Plantations Two assumes no responsibility for any accident or injury in connection with the use of the pool.
  - a. All injuries on Association premises must be reported to the Pool Management. First aid needs will be attended to in the Pool Manager's office.
  - b. Plantations Two will not be responsible for any loss, theft or damage of personal property of any kind. It is strongly recommended that members clearly mark all items brought to the pool.
- 2. <u>Upon entering the pool, all members must SIGN IN at the admission desk</u>. The pool staff will check for a valid pool pass as proof of identification. If your photo does not match your pool pass, the pool staff may ask for a valid driver's license or ID for proof of address. The pool staff may refuse admission to a member(s) whose pass is non-verifiable. If a pool pass is non-verifiable, the attendant will provide the member with a notification sheet so that the member can contact the Plantations Two Business Office for more information. A pool pass that is non-verifiable is either in default for failure to pay HOA dues or as a result of violation of published HOA rules and regulations including architectural violations. In such cases, admission to the pool may only be approved by the Board after all fees have been paid and all violations corrected.
- 3. A guest pass will be issued to each <u>member household which will admit 5 guests</u> (a guest is anyone 2 years or older). Note: All guests must be accompanied by a pool member who is at least 16 years of age unless otherwise approved by a pool committee member. No more than five (5) guests per visit. More than five guests is considered a party and parties must receive prior approval by a pool committee member (refer to Pool Party Rules and Guidelines posted at www.plantations two.com). Passes are not transferable.
- 4. Additional guest passes may be purchased for \$15.00 (5 guests per pass) at the pool office or online on our website, www.plantationstwo.com on the Pool page via Paypal. Only checks will be accepted at the pool office; no cash will be accepted. Important: When guest passes are purchased online, you must show your receipt to the desk guard so passes can be added to our system.
- 5. All guests will receive a wrist band which must be worn for the duration of their visit at the pool. These bands are valid only for the day in which they were purchased.
- 6. Certified lifeguards will be on duty during all hours of operation. They may use their discretion when enforcing all rules and regulations, in order to provide and maintain a safe and healthy environment. The manager is in charge of the pool and is responsible for ensuring that regulations are obeyed. The manager has been directed by the HOA Board to dismiss from the pool property any adult or child for any infraction of the rules or when safety is threatened. The pool manager can bar any person from the pool for up to one week for each violation or for the remainder of the season for three violations.
- 7. It is suggested that members who have physical conditions, such as dizziness, fainting spells, etc., make it known to the pool manager for your safety.

### **POOL RULES:**

- 1. Each member must <u>SIGN IN</u> at the admission desk every time they enter the pool. Any <u>guests will be given wrist bands at</u> this time. No one will be admitted to the pool area without completing the check-in policy as stated above.
- 2. Children under **11** years of age must be accompanied by an adult when visiting the pool. Babysitters between the ages of 13 to 16 may be considered for admission with children they are caring for, if written permission from the children's parent or quardian is provided to the pool manager.
- 3. Children **11** to 15 years of age are eligible for an individual pool pass if he/she has written permission from a parent or guardian. A swim test, administered by a lifeguard is required for all children between **11** and 13 years of age. The pool manager will not validate pool passes for youths **11** to 13 years of age until the youth demonstrates the ability to swim one pool length unassisted and tread water unassisted for 1 minute.
- 4. For Members: Children 8 years or younger who wish to use the slide or swim in the well area must pass a swim test.

  Once a child passes their name will be added to a list in the guard office. These kids will receive a wrist band each time they come to the pool.
- 5. For Non-members: Children 12 years and under who wish to use the slide or swim in the well area must pass a swim test.

  Wrist bands will be given after successful completion of the swim test.
- 6. <u>Lifeguards may ask a child of any age to complete the swim test if, in the guard's opinion, the person does not exhibit the ability to swim in deep water.</u>
- 7. Adult member passes are for members 16 years of age or older, while children's passes are for those **11**-15 years of age.
- 8. Diaper-aged babies must wear a swimsuit and rubber pants or swim-diaper. Disposable diapers are prohibited.

- 9. Children using the wading pool are the responsibility of the parent(s), not the lifeguards, and must be accompanied by an adult. Persons responsible for children using the baby pool and non-swimmers using the main pool must keep their charges under immediate supervision at all times.
- 10. Rest periods for children (or adult swim time) will be announced each hour by the pool staff. During this period, all children 15 years old and younger must be completely out of the main pool. Children under the age of 2 may accompany adults in the main pool during this period. The baby pool is for children 5 years of age or younger and must be at all times supervised by an adult. This includes during the adult swims.
- 11. The pool may be closed at the discretion of the pool management due to inclement weather, including but not limited to thunder, lightning, rain, as well as operational breakdown, or any reason relating to public health and safety.
- 12. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited from the pool area. Persons under the influence of alcohol or drugs will be asked to leave the pool area.
- 13. Only Coast Guard approved safety devices, or YMCA approved arm floats and swim trainers may be worn in the main pool. Adults must supervise and be within arm's reach of non-swimmers and children wearing life jackets, arm floats and foam swim trainers, as per Montgomery County regulations. Rafts, squirt guns or squirt toys, and hard plastic or weighted diving sticks are prohibited. Soft or torpedo type diving sticks, float rings, noodles, and soft (squish) balls are allowed. All other pool toys may be allowed on a case by case basis. Masks that cover the eyes and nose may be worn for children age 10 or older, and must be approved by the lifeguard or pool manager before use. Swim fins may be used only in the roped swim lane and must be approved by the lifeguard or pool manager before use.
- 14. Pets are not permitted in the pool area, with the exception of service animals. No animals, including service animals, may enter the pools.
- 15. Only authorized personnel are permitted in the pool office and filter equipment rooms or on the lifeguard stands.
- 16. Abusive language, yelling and screaming, dunking, water fighting, aggressive splashing, acrobatics, running, tripping, towel snapping, wrestling, and pushing people into the pool are prohibited.
- 17. Persons entering any portion of the pool must avoid diving or jumping onto other persons in the pool.
- 18. Slide Rules:
  - a. Feet first down the slide no head first.
  - b. Only one person may go down the slide at a time.
  - c. The well area may be used for activities other than the slide at the lifeguard's discretion (i.e. open well).
  - d. When the slide is being used, no one may dive from the sides of the pool or swim into the slide area. Swimmers should leave the diving well by the nearest ladder after exiting the slide.
- 19. At the lifeguards' discretion, a swimming lane may be roped off for those wishing to swim laps.
- 20. Unauthorized persons found inside the pool area while the pool is closed will lose their privileges for the remainder of the season and risk prosecution for trespassing.
- 21. Smoking is not permitted in the pool area
- 22. All parties must be scheduled in advance with the pool committee chair. Any group of 6 or more guests is considered a party and requires pre-authorization. A \$3.00 per guest fee will be charged to all non-members (see General Policies #3, 4, & 5).
- 23. For quick identification and to ensure safety, all children in a pool party will be given wrist bands and those 12 and under must pass a swim test administered by a lifeguard in order to swim in the deep areas of the pool.

### **POOL PERSONAL HYGIENE AND ATTIRE:**

- 1. Before entering the pool, all persons must take a cleansing shower using soap and water. This is to reduce the amount of grass clippings, sand, and debris brought into the pool area on the feet and body.
- 2. Any persons having apparent skin disease, sore or inflamed eyes, cough, cold, nasal or ear discharge, wearing Band-Aids or bandages, or having any communicable disease, will be excluded from the pool.
- 3. Spitting, spouting water and blowing one's nose, and urinating are prohibited in the pool.
- 4. No chewing gum is allowed.
- 5. Glass containers are prohibited while on pool property.
- 6. Waste and trash from the consumption of food or beverages must be deposited in the trash containers provided. All food consumed on the pool deck must be eaten while sitting at a table. Food waste such as seeds, skins, vines, etc., must be deposited in the containers provided not on the pool decking.
- 7. Baby carriages and strollers will be permitted in the table area and must be kept at least 15 feet from the pool at all times. No other wheeled vehicles (skateboards, rollerblades, scooters), with the exception of wheelchairs or other assistive devices for disable individuals, will be allowed in the pool area.

## **POOL HOURS:**

Starting the Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend through the Monday of Labor Day (May 26 - September 3, 2018):

On Any Day Public School is in Session (May, June, or September): 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Regular Summer Hours (June, July & August): 12:00 noon – 8:00 pm