

# **DAWSON COVENANT CHURCH**

## **GYM USE POLICY**

### **I. GENERAL**

The Dawson Covenant Church Gym (hereafter Gym) is an extension of the mission of Dawson Covenant Church, which is “to know Christ, to be like Christ, and to make Him known.” It is with this responsibility in mind that the following policies and guidelines have been adopted. Where a literal and strict interpretation of this policy would result in hardship or injustice, the Pastor or his/her designee has discretion to use his/her best judgment to accomplish the goals of this policy.

### **II. GYM USE PRIORITY**

- A. In view of the fact that the Gym is considered an important part of Dawson Covenant Church’s mission and outreach into the community, the Gym is available for use by both Members and Non-Members. Dawson Covenant Church activities have first priority. Members of the Church will be given a second priority with nonmembers and outside organizations having a third (3<sup>rd</sup>) priority.
- B. The Gym will not be available for use on Sunday mornings or Wednesday Evenings other than by the church itself. Gym usage is subject to availability according to the church’s calendar and approval from our church’s Secretary.

### **III. GYM RESERVATIONS**

- A. To reserve the Gym you should contact the Secretary, Karla Perkins. You may contact her by email at [office@dawsoncovenantchurch.org](mailto:office@dawsoncovenantchurch.org) or phone (320)769-2255.

### **IV. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- A. Smoking is prohibited within the church buildings and on the grounds of the church.
- B. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited anywhere on the property of Dawson Covenant Church.
- C. All use must be confined to the areas requested and approved upon reservation.
- D. Applicants must agree to indemnify the Church for any and all damages caused during the event other than normal wear and tear.
- E. The church will not be responsible for losses of personal property or injuries suffered by individuals or groups occurring during the use of the Gym.
- F. For the safety of all children, there should be no running or climbing, unless a normal and customary part of the activity.
- G. Everything used during an event/meeting (chairs, tables, dishes etc.) must be cleaned and/or returned to their original state and location.
- H. Minors are not allowed use unsupervised use of the Gym. Use of the gymnasium by minors requires the presence of two adults on premises – unless the minors are family members.
- I. No hard soled shoes, shoes with spiked heels or any other footwear that leaves marks on the Gym floor or damages the Gym floor are permitted to be worn.
- J. The Dawson Covenant Church reserves the right to refuse Gym usage to anyone for any reason at its discretion.
- K. No decorations or the application of materials to the walls, ceiling or floor which will mar, deface or damage these surfaces may be used. Helium balloons may not be used in the Gym.
- L. No chewing gum is allowed in the Gym.
- M. The Secretary or Pastor have the discretion to approve or reject all activities and scheduling of those activities.
- N. In the event the use of the Gym floor requires the use of tables on the playing surface, mats must be placed over the floor.
- O. The composite floor of the Gym must be dust-mopped before and after use.

- P. If any liquid is spilled it must be cleaned immediately.
- Q. Set-up and basic cleanup is the responsibility of the user of the Gym. Arrangements for tables, chairs, and any other needed items must be made at the time the Gym is reserved. Basic clean up includes sweeping the area of the Gym used for the activity and disposing of trash into the provided garbage containers.
- R. Any violation of these rules, regulations and conditions may result in the immediate termination of the right to use the Gym.

**V. LIABILITY**

The use of the Gym and any equipment will be at the risk of the participant. Dawson Covenant Church does not assume liability or responsibility for any injury to any user of the Gym. Dawson Covenant Church does not make any express or implied warranty of the premises, the equipment or fixtures.

**DATED** \_\_\_\_\_

**USER** \_\_\_\_\_

**CHURCH** \_\_\_\_\_