



## Swim & Tennis Club - Pool Rules

**The pool facilities are operated to provide enjoyment to our members. The following rules have been established to assure safe and sanitary operation of the pool facilities and include additional protocols as prescribed for the COVID-19 Pandemic. All members should review these rules and parents are urged to read and discuss these rules with their children.**

The enforcement of these rules, which apply any time the pool is open, is the responsibility of the Pool Manager and Lifeguards. The Board has been directly involved in the revision of the pool rules required for this season. Violators of these rules may be immediately expelled from the pool area and repeat violators will be referred to the Board of Directors of the Swim & Tennis Club for further action.

While at the pool, members should contact the Pool Manager regarding any issues or concerns that need immediate attention. Members may follow up any issue by contacting the HOA Property Manager, at [hiddenbrook\\_homes@hotmail.com](mailto:hiddenbrook_homes@hotmail.com) or 703-318-7159. Any concerns with the operation of the pool facilities, lifeguard duties/behavior, or actions of other members, should be addressed in writing to the HOA Property Manager by email. Anonymous concerns can be placed in the mail slot on the clubhouse front door. Members are also welcome to attend a Board meeting to report concerns directly to the Board.

### **General**

1. Members should not use the pool if they have a cough, fever, or other symptoms of illness or symptoms of COVID-19 over the prior 14 days.
2. Members should not use the pool if they were exposed to someone with COVID-19 symptoms or diagnosed with COVID-19 within 14 days. Refer to the CDC website for additional symptoms ([Symptoms of Coronavirus | CDC](#)).
3. Each household is required to maintain the social distance as set forth by Federal, State and/or local government orders, which is currently 10 feet.
4. Pool capacity will be limited to 25 households/memberships per allotted time slots to enable 10 feet of separation from others. The pool will be for membership use only, no outside guests.
5. Members must have a reservation to utilize the pool and pass required COVID screening procedures before being admitted.
6. Pool staff will take temperatures of members entering facility. No data/information will be recorded. Any member with a temperature of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher will not be able to enter the facility or the pool deck area.
7. Members must wear a face covering when not in the swimming pool or their assigned zone. The club will not provide masks.
8. Members should arrive dressed in swim attire and bring a bag to store personal items on the pool deck within their assigned zone.
9. Members may bring their own folding chairs for each visit, but chairs may not remain at the pool.
10. Any person using the pool may be required to take and pass a swim test.

11. Curtains will be removed from changing stalls and members are encouraged to shower before using the pool.
12. One family/household may use the bathroom facilities at a time.
13. Responsible parent or guardian must closely supervise all children, swimming, and non-swimming, at all times.
14. No person is allowed in the pool unless a Lifeguard is on duty.
15. All members shall obey all instructions and directions of the Pool Manager and Lifeguards.
16. No equipment should be shared between S&T members of different households.
17. Pool closures due to a potential/actual COVID-19 exposure will be assessed by the HOA Board and appropriate action taken. In the event that a deep cleaning of the facility is deemed necessary, the pool will remain closed for the duration of time to meet all COVID requirements.
18. **CHILDREN SHALL NOT BE LEFT UNATTENDED.** Supervision of children in the wading pool is the responsibility of an adult or responsible person of at least 13 years of age. Use of the wading pool shall be limited to children 5 and under.
19. **Children 10 and under (members) must pass the 'basic swimming test' administered by the lifeguards and receive a wristband permitting them to swim in the deep water. Guards may re-test at any time they feel swimming ability is questionable. Passing the swim test does not guarantee a child is competent to swim on their own. The swim test merely provides some assurances of their skill level at the time of testing. Parents are ultimately responsible for the safety of their children.**

**The Basic Swimming Test shall consist of:**

**Swimming 25 Meters of the pool without stopping or struggling and treading water for a one-minute period.**

20. All non-toilet trained, or incontinent persons are required to wear swim diaper and rubber/waterproof pants over the swim diaper. Swim diapers are to be changed frequently and disposed of properly.
21. No diving into shallow water (less than 4 feet).
22. Proper swimming attire shall be worn when in the pool. For safety reason street clothes, excessively loose garments, cutoffs, buckles, rivets or other protruding elements will not be permitted for swimming. Water shoes are permitted and encouraged.
23. **No distracting Lifeguards on duty or in the Lifeguard stand.** Direct all questions to Lifeguards in the pool entry area.
24. No loitering in the Lifeguard office or Lifeguard break table area.
25. No loud, abusive, or profane language or other breach of good behavior directed at the staff or other members will be tolerated.
26. No running on deck, no climbing on the gates, no exiting/entering through the fence.
27. No roughhousing, dunking or rough play will be permitted on the deck, in the pool, on the diving board, slide or in the changing rooms.

28. No jumping, diving, or playing into or over the lap lanes when in use.
29. No spitting, spouting water, or blowing nose in the pool.
30. No intoxicated persons shall be allowed in the pool area.
31. Floatation devices may be used at the discretion of pool management and may not be shared among households.
32. No tennis, or hard basket balls shall be permitted in the pool area.
33. No glass or other breakable objects shall be permitted anywhere in the pool enclosure.
34. No tobacco product is permitted anywhere on Hiddenbrook grounds.
35. No food is allowed at the pool.
36. Members may bring beverages in non-glass containers; drinking fountains will be available for refilling drinking containers **only**.
37. Trash and litter must be placed in proper containers.
38. Bikes must be parked in the designated area and not block the walkway.
39. Drive slowly in the parking area.
40. No overnight parking; violators will be towed.
41. Do not blow vehicle horn when summoning children.
42. No parking within any yellow fire lanes.
43. The club and pool management will not be responsible for the loss of or damage to personal belongings. Equipment found at the end of each time slot will be removed and thrown away at the end of each day.

## **Member Admission**

1. **Unpaid dues or late fees prohibit entry to the pool area.**
2. Members must reserve a 90-minute time slot through the on-line reservation system. Each membership will have a single account. The time slots are:

Slot 1 – 11am to 12:30 pm

Slot 2 – 1 pm to 2:30 pm

Slot 3 – 3 pm to 4:30 pm

Slot 4 – 5 pm to 6:30 pm

Slot 5 – 7 pm to 8:30 pm

Each time slot will accommodate up to 25 households/memberships.

To maintain equitable use of the pool, members will not be able to book multiple time slots. Each membership will only be able to have one active booking at a time. Members will have access to create, reschedule, and cancel bookings through the on-line booking system.

Authorized administrators will also be able to perform this same function on behalf of a membership should there be any issues.

3. A family photograph of all pool members will be kept in the reservation system to be used by the lifeguards for identification purposes. A current photograph must be on file to enter the pool facility. Children under 11 years of age must be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or designated person 13 years or older while in the pool area. Parents must accept all responsibility for their children's actions.
4. **Members age 11 and 12 shall be admitted without adult supervision (as stated in item 2) only if they have passed the advanced swimming test and written permission has been given by the parent and noted in the membership record. A parent or legal guardian shall be present when the child takes the swimming test. Guards may re-test at any time they feel swimming ability is questionable. Passing the swim test does not guarantee a child is competent to swim on their own. The swim test merely provides some assurances of their skill level at the time of testing. Parents are ultimately responsible for the safety of their children.**

**The Advanced Swimming Test shall consist of:**

**Swimming 50 Meters of the pool (across and back) without stopping or struggling, and treading water for a 2-minute period**

5. Pool check-in will be at the lifeguard office/station. Members should proceed down the corridor, through the restrooms and out onto the deck. Patrons may not return through this area to exit. The large gate on the pool deck will be opened for egress to the parking lot.
6. At the end of each time slot, members are requested to promptly exit the pool deck through the gate that leads to the parking lot.
7. Lifeguard Station: No one except lifeguards and management will be permitted to enter the lifeguard office/station.

## **Pool Operations**

1. Check the [www.hiddenbrookhomes.org](http://www.hiddenbrookhomes.org) website for schedule of operations.
2. The pool capacity will be set at or below the requirements as prescribed by the Commonwealth of Virginia's COVID-19 phasing program.
3. The pool management company reserves the right to close the pool or any section of the pool for any reason including, but not limited to, reasonable considerations related to safety, operations, staffing, maintenance, or inclement weather.
4. In the event of inclement weather, the pool will remain closed for the period of time deemed necessary by the pool management company. Users must be out of the pool and off the deck area during this time.
5. In the event of a biohazard accident in the pool, Fairfax County Health Code procedures will be followed.
6. All injuries must be reported to the pool management.
7. Due to limited time-slots, no breaks for 15-minute lap swim will be in place.
8. Lap Swimming: A lap lane may be shared with members of a different household as long as 10 feet of distance is maintained between swimmers. Circular lane swimming is recommended however, it is also ok to pass going in different directions.

9. The grill will not be available for use.
10. No deck furniture or picnic tables will be provided.
11. The slide, diving board, and basketball hoop will remain closed.

**Thank you for cooperation and enjoy the season!**

**Revised for 2021 Pool Season due to COVID-19, by the Hiddenbrook Board of Directors**

**Note:** The Board will modify the pool rules as the CDC, Federal, State and/or local governments provide directives and phase limitations. Updated rules will be posted and communicated via registered email addresses.