

Hayfield Farm Swim Club, Inc.

OPERATING RULES – Effective May 16, 2025

The Board of Directors invests the pool manager, assistant managers, and lifeguards with broad discretion in enforcing the rules as they are employed for the protection of shareholders, their family members, guests, and visitors ("pool users"). Anyone who violates the rules or whose actions might reasonably be expected to annoy others or present a risk to the health and/or safety of others may be subject to removal from pool property, payment of damages, prosecution, and/or loss or cancellation of pool privileges.

The following rules are for the safety, protection, and benefit of all pool users. They are designed to ensure safe and sanitary operation of the facilities, particularly the swimming and wading pools. Pool users are responsible for instructing their children and guests to observe all rules and to obey all instructions from the pool staff.

1. Admissions and General Information

- a. Members must scan in and out with pool staff at the front desk using assigned keytag and must have a photograph and all membership data entered in the pool access control system.
- b. Children ages 9-12 (having passed their 9th birthday but not yet having reached their 13th birthday) may enter the pool property alone provided they have passed the basic swimming test. The test consists of swimming 25 yards freestyle and floating or treading water for one minute. Arrangements for taking the test can be made through the pool manager or assistant managers.
- c. After 6 p.m., all children ages 9-12 must be accompanied by a member aged 16 years or older.
- d. All children under 9 years of age, and those ages 9-12 who have not passed the basic swimming test must be supervised by an individual aged 16 years or older while on pool property.
- e. Grandchildren of members in good standing are considered members of the shareholder's household and may use the pool and facilities if the child is 18 years or younger and the member has included the grandchildren on the annual family census form.
- f. All guests, whether planning to swim or not, are required to pay the appropriate guest fee. All guests ages 4 and over must pay a \$7 fee. Guests ages 3 and under will be admitted free of charge.
- g. Members must accompany their guests (other than those granted special houseguest privileges) to, and while at, the pool.
- h. Members are responsible for guests' behavior while the guest is on pool property.

- i. The club is not responsible for loss or damage to personal property.
- j. No pets of any kind are permitted within the fenced pool property. Service animals of patrons are permitted while the patron is attending the pool.
- k. To avoid confusion, members and guests are not permitted to wear bathing suits or clothing with "guard" or "lifeguard" printed on them. Only on-duty pool staff may wear clothing/suits identifying them as a lifeguard.
- l. Members and their guests must vacate the pool property no later than 15 minutes after closing time.

2. Pool Rules

- a. Members and their guests must WALK on the pool deck. No running.
- b. Members and guests should not question the authority of the lifeguards. Any complaints must be made to the manager on duty.
- c. Pool users will shower in the bathhouse before entering the pool. All swimmers leaving the pool deck must take a foot shower before entering the pool.
- d. Any person with a skin disease, nasal or ear discharge, inflamed eyes, or any communicable disease will not be permitted to enter the pool.
- e. Persons with open cuts, blisters, etc. are advised that these might become infected and are advised not to use the pool.
- f. No beverages, including water, are allowed on the edge of the pool or in the pool. Members are permitted to have a water bottle at either end of their designated lap lane during their swim session. No food is allowed on the pool deck.
- g. Alcoholic beverages are not permitted on the pool deck, but may be consumed in moderation on the grounds so long as no branding is visible (i.e. beer cans must be covered by a "koozy"). Glass containers of any kind are not permitted on pool property.
- h. Chewing gum is not allowed on pool property.
- i. Smoking, the use of tobacco products, and vaping are prohibited on pool property during regular pool hours.
- j. Monday through Friday, a rest period beginning 10 minutes before the hour and lasting 10 minutes will be called. All children under the age of 16 must exit the pool until pool staff has terminated the rest period.
- k. On Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, the rest period will be called 15 minutes before the hour and last 15 minutes.

- l. Sports balls and water guns will be permitted in the pool only when the manager or assistant manager on duty determines they are safe for use.
- m. Floatation devices and rafts may only be used on designated raft nights. Use of flotation devices, including life preservers or “floaties” of all types, is restricted to children in the shallow area of the pool who have not passed the swimming test. Children wearing floatation devices must be within arm’s length of a parent or guardian at all times.
- n. Swim fins may only be used for lap swimming in the designated lap lanes.
- o. Face masks must have plastic or tempered lenses/face pieces.
- p. Snorkels are prohibited.
- q. Persons unable to pass the basic swim test are not permitted in water beyond chest deep.
- r. Street clothes may not be worn as a substitute for swimwear in the pool. Allowance for cultural difference will be taken into consideration. White t-shirts and hats are permitted for sun protection in the pool.
- s. Abusive, offensive, or profane language is prohibited on pool property.
- t. Personal radios and speakers are permitted, but must be operated with headphones.
- u. Playpens and strollers are permitted in areas designated by the manager or assistant manager on duty.

3. Specific Rules for Children

- a. Children who are not toilet trained must wear a swim diaper or a diaper with fitted rubber pants.
- b. Diapers cannot be changed on the pool deck or on tables or chairs. Diapers should be changed in the rest rooms on provided diaper changing tables and disposed of in designated diaper pails.
- c. Main pool – children ages 6 and under must be supervised by a pool user aged 16 years or older within arm’s reach at all times while in the pool, unless the child has passed the basic swim test.
- d. Wading pool – only children under 6 years of age are permitted in the wading pool unless authorized as an exception by the manager or assistant manager on duty. Children using the wading pool must be supervised by a pool user aged 16 years or older while on pool property.

NOTE: Parents are responsible for watching their children in the wading pool. No lifeguards are on duty in the wading pool.

4. Diving Rules

- a. Children 12 years and younger must pass the basic swimming test to use the diving boards.
- b. Only one person at a time is permitted on the diving board or ladders.
- c. No one may dive from the board until the previous diver has reached the ladder on the same side as the board from which they jumped.
- d. Diving from the concrete deck on the side of the pool into the diving area is prohibited unless diving boards have been closed by the manager or assistant manager on duty.
- e. Goggles are prohibited when using the diving boards.

5. Lap Lane Policy

- a. Two lap lanes will be provided during periods of normal operation for members and guests. One additional lap lane may be provided at the manager's discretion.
- b. Lap lanes will be used for continuous lap swimming. In the event of lane use by more than one swimmer, all swimmers will circle swim.
- c. Lap lanes will be used on a first-come, first-served basis.

6. Pool Clearing Policies

- a. Vomit/feces protocol (CDC guidelines): In the event of vomit or feces in the pool, the manager on duty will tell all pool users to exit the pool for a minimum closure time of 30 minutes after staff has cleaned up all material in the pool.
- b. Diarrhea protocol (CDC guidelines): In the event of diarrhea in the pool, the manager on duty will tell all pool users to exit the pool for a minimum closure time of 8 hours after the staff has cleaned up all material in the pool.
- c. Thunder and lightning protocol: The manager on duty will suspend all pool activity until 30 minutes after the last thunder is heard and/or after the last lightning is seen.