



## Masterson Station Pool Rules & Regulations

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### Pool Hours:

- Pool hours will be published on [www.mastersonstation.org](http://www.mastersonstation.org)
- The pool will be open for use during the times listed on the schedule. No one will be allowed in the pool during other hours except for supervised swim practice or swim lessons.
- All times are subject to change due to weather and season, special activities, swim meets, or maintenance.
- The Pool Manager and Head Lifeguard are authorized to close the pool in his or her judgement should circumstance warrant.

### General Rules:

- All members must obey the instructions of the lifeguards. In the event of a dispute, a member shall first follow the instructions of the lifeguards or staff and then report the incident to Pool Management and/or the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors will notify the member via email of further information or action. For further details see: Disciplinary Actions.
- Situations arising that are not specifically addressed by pre-established rules shall be managed by the Pool Management and the MSNA Board of Directors.
- Members and guests must check in at the gate using Access Granted before entering the pool area. No one will be allowed in the pool without a valid pool membership or guest pass at any time during the season.
- No one shall use the pool unless it is officially open, and lifeguards are on duty. Unauthorized use of the pool will constitute trespassing and ALL violators will be prosecuted. If a member of your household is caught trespassing in the pool area outside of official hours, the household's membership will be suspended or revoked, and a refund will not be issued.
- Anyone using the pool parking lot does so at their own risk. Masterson Station Neighborhood Association and the Pool Management Company assume NO responsibility for any accident, injury, or any loss and/or damage to private property. The pool parking lot must be vacated within 15 minutes of pool closures.
- All personal possessions must be removed from the pool and dressing room areas when you leave.
- Use of the pool may be suspended for dedicated events, weather conditions, pool contamination, swim meets, or when other situations dictate. For pool contamination, the pool

will close in compliance with the Fayette County Pool Regulations. The lifeguard will close the pool when severe weather, such as lightning, thunder, hail, or heavy rain is in the area. The pool will remain closed for 30 minutes following the last lightning flash or thunder roll. The pool will reopen at the discretion of the Pool Manager.

- The pool deck will be cleared during periods of severe weather. The Pool Manager may permit members and guests to remain in sheltered areas and the bathhouse during these times.
- Everyone must stay clear of the lifeguard stations and not loiter at the check-in desk.
- Everyone is required to wear a clean bathing suit or attire intended for pool use. No street clothes, cut-offs, or shorts.
- Everyone is required to take a shower prior to entering the pool. Individuals leaving the pool area or enclosure shall take a shower prior to returning to the pool.
- Members are responsible for the safety and conduct of their minor children while on the premises. Failure to cooperate with this rule will be grounds for immediate suspension of pool privileges and revocation without a refund. Parents/guardians not monitoring their children will be asked to leave.
- Personal music devices are restricted to handheld type devices and must be waterproof, battery operated and used with headphones. Loud music is prohibited.
- Profane language is not permitted on the premises.
- Pool lounge chairs are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Reserving chairs for individuals who are not on the premises is prohibited.
- Pool deck furniture is not to be moved outside the fenced pool area nor placed in the pool.
- Tailgating type activities such as grilling are not permitted on the pool deck, parking lot, or streets surrounding the pool. HOA sponsored events are exempt from this rule.
- Fireworks and sparklers are not allowed on the clubhouse grounds including the pool deck and parking lots.

#### **Health and Sanitation:**

- Food and drink may not be consumed within five (5) feet of the pool edge.
- Smoking and vaping are not permitted on HOA property.
- Swim privileges shall be refused to all persons having any communicable disease, to include: a cold; cough; inflamed eyes; or any infection to include ear discharge; nasal discharge; poison ivy/oak or an open sore, open wound, blisters or is wearing a bandage.
- Glass and other breakable containers are prohibited on the premises. Paper, plastic cups, and non- breakable containers must be used. Any costs related to broken glass cleanup will be the responsibility of the member. This may include shutting down the pool for a period for draining which could cost \$2000 or more. Do not bring glass to the pool!
- No play equipment or wheeled vehicles (except wheelchairs and strollers) will be permitted in the pool area.
- No pets are permitted. Only Service Dogs that are trained to perform a specific job or task for a person with a disability are permitted.
- All waste must be placed in garbage containers provided for this purpose. Do not throw waste into the pool.

- Those under the influence of alcohol, illegal substances or exhibiting erratic behavior will not be allowed in the pool area or may be asked to leave the pool area at any time. Members and/or their guests who exhibit this behavior may lose their pool membership as determined by the Board of Directors. In addition, the delivery of alcohol is not permitted.
- Spitting of water or any other unhygienic action is not permitted in the pool area.
- Do not chew gum in or around the pool.
- Any injuries occurring on pool property should immediately be reported to Pool Management and emergency personnel may be contacted as conditions warrant. An injury report will be completed and forwarded to the Board of Directors.

### **Safety (Main Pool):**

- Adults are defined as being 18 years of age or older.
- Children ages 13 to 17 will be issued a pool pass that allows their entry without being accompanied by an adult once they have completed the following:
  1. Must pass a swim test given by a lifeguard or the Pool Manager or must present a swimming certificate from the American Red Cross.
  2. Children unable to demonstrate to the lifeguards their ability to swim are not permitted in water deeper than their shoulder height.
  3. Children unable to follow pool rules will be asked to leave the pool area and their ability to attend unaccompanied by an adult may be suspended or revoked as defined in the disciplinary action section below. See also rules about boisterous and rough play, and somersaults.
- Children under the age of 12:
  1. Must be accompanied and supervised by an adult or care provider at least 16 years old and shall not be left in the pool area unattended. If any doubt occurs as to the child's ability to swim, the lifeguard may ask the child to leave the pool and to be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or babysitter for future visits.
- A 10-minute adult (18 years or older) swim will be called at the end of every hour. Only one child, five (5) and under, per adult is permitted in the pool during this adult swim break. The child must be kept near the adult.
- Boisterous and/or rough play, running, pushing, dunking, and wrestling will NOT be permitted in the pool area. Standing or sitting on another person's shoulders is not permitted.
- Somersaults, back flips, and other careless actions from the pool edges are prohibited.
- All toys must be approved by the lifeguard prior to use in or around the pool.
- ONLY soft balls designed for use in water are permitted in the pool area. Towels, hats, paper cups, popsicle sticks, plastic straws, etc., are not permitted in the pool as they may endanger other swimmers and cause damage to the filtration equipment.
- The use of floats, rafts, or inner tubes is NOT permitted except for US Coast Guard approved devices for infants and small children. An adult must accompany any child wearing a flotation device in the water. Plastic air-filled inflatable devices are not acceptable.
  - Swimsuits with inserts and life vests that "contain no air" are allowed in the pool. Life preservers (type 12-14) are permitted unless the lifeguard determines that they are unsafe. Kick boards and water wings are permitted if the lifeguard approves them.

When permitted, all these items must be used while under the supervision of an adult.

- Lap lanes are for lap swimming only with the exception that lifeguards may conduct swimming lessons in this area when the lane is not in use. However, if a member requests use of the lane during a swim lesson, the member's request overrides the swim lesson. Hanging or pulling on the lap line rope is not permitted.
- Diving is always prohibited in shallow water (less than 5 feet), except for supervised swim meets. Race starts are only permitted when supervised by approved swim team coaches during regularly scheduled practices or meets.

#### **Safety (Wading Pool):**

- The wading pool is limited to children 5 years of age or younger. This rule will be strictly enforced.
- No lifeguards are on duty at the wading pool. As such, each child must be accompanied by a person 16 years of age or older who remains inside the fence and who will be responsible for the behavior and safety of the child. Lifeguards shall monitor rule compliance in the wading pool area.
- Children not yet toilet trained are encouraged to use the baby pool rather than the main pool but MUST wear "Swim Diapers "under their bathing suits. Disposable or cloth diapers are NOT ALLOWED.
- Playthings must be limited to small floating, non-breakable items.
- The only floatation devices allowed in the pool are U.S.C.G. approved life vests. An adult must accompany any child wearing a flotation device in the water.

#### **Safety (Diving Area):**

- Only one person at a time will be allowed on the diving board.
- Users must delay mounting the diving board until the area under the board is clear of swimmers.
- Consecutive bouncing, racing dives, dives which propel the diver back towards the diving board, or other dangerous actions on the diving board are prohibited.
- The area in front of the board is for diving only, no swimming will be allowed in front of or under the board.
- Diving or jumping from the sides of the diving board will not be permitted.
- No device is allowed to be worn when jumping from the diving board.

#### **Disciplinary Actions:**

- Failure to comply with these rules, or any part thereof, shall be considered sufficient cause for members to be revoked from the use of the pool by the Pool Manager, and/or the Facilities & Pool Committee, and/or the Board of Directors, for a period to be at their discretion. For more serious or repeat violations, the Facilities & Pool Committee and/or the Board of Directors may revoke membership without a refund.
- Willfully defacing or destroying property will not be tolerated and will be grounds for

immediate suspension of pool privileges. Members will be liable for loss or damage caused by themselves or their guests.

- The Pool Manager shall report all such suspensions to the Facilities & Pool Committee and/or the Board of Directors as soon as possible. Suspension of a minor dependent will result in a parent or legal guardian appearing before the Facilities & Pool Committee before privileges are reinstated. More serious violations will require a meeting with Pool Management, the Facilities & Pool Committee, and the Board of Directors before any such reinstatement. Failure to comply with a suspension order will result in permanent revocation of pool membership without refund.
- A pool member who feels at any time that the pool is not being operated in the best interest of the community should contact the Pool Management Company or a member of the Board of Directors.