

# CABIN BRANCH

**CABIN BRANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION**



## SWIMMING POOL RULES AND REGULATIONS 2026 Pool Season



All Cabin Branch Homeowners Association (HOA) Members and their guests must abide by these rules. The employees of the pool management company chosen by the Board of Directors to manage the pool are authorized to enforce these rules and take appropriate action against violators, including barring violators from the pool area. The Board of Directors further reserves the right to revoke the membership of any HOA Member who fails to comply with these rules.

The Rules and Regulations are intended to ensure safe and sanitary operation of the pool and its facilities. It is believed that members' cooperation in abiding by these rules will afford pleasant relaxation and recreation for all.

Parents are requested to instruct their children both to observe the Rules and Regulations and to obey the instructions of the Lifeguards and other employees of the pool management company.

**A. POOL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- i. GOOD STANDING IS REQUIRED FOR ACCESS. All unit owners (or their tenants of record) who are current in their assessments are entitled to use the swimming pool facility in accordance with the Rules and Regulations. This privilege may be suspended by the Board of Directors for owners who are delinquent in their assessment payments or for a violation of the Association’s covenants, Bylaws, or rules. It is the unit owner’s responsibility to ensure that passes have been updated and that assessment payments are current for household members to access the pool. Gate guard staff is not authorized to “look up” a member’s standing or renewal status at the pool.
- ii. Your Pool Pass must be presented to the lifeguard staff whenever a member enters the pool premises. No one will be admitted to the pool premises if he or she does not present his/her pass. This will ensure that those members who have had their pool privileges revoked will not be able to gain admission to the pool.
- iii. Any member seeking admission to the pool without his or her pass may be admitted only as a guest of another member and only upon presentation of the **guest pass** for validation. (See paragraph on the Guest Pass).

**B. Children eleven (11) years of age and under must be accompanied by an individual pool member aged sixteen (16) or older to be admitted to the pool area and that individual must remain with such children during the entire time the children are in the pool area.**

- i. All children seven (7) years of age and younger will not be issued pool passes, only children eight (8) years and above.
- ii. Siblings cannot bring in siblings under 12 unless the oldest is 16 years of age or older.

**C. The risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any place where people are present. There is a possibility that the pool area may be contaminated with, and users may be infected with COVID-19. ENTER THE POOL AREAS AND USE THE POOL AT YOUR OWN RISK.**

**D. Do not enter the Pool Area if you are presenting signs of physical or gastrointestinal illness.**

**E. The use of soft beach balls, water guns/squirters, toys, and floatation devices (other than rafts) will be permitted only as pool conditions allow and at the discretion of the Pool Manager. Rafts and similar items are not permitted. Hard balls of any sort (football, basketball, baseball, softball, rugby, etc.) are not permitted in the pool area. Kickboards and flippers may be used in the lap pools only, at the discretion of the lifeguards.**

**F. There will be a fifteen (15) minute “Lap Swim” once each hour during normal pool hours.**

- i. This period will occur for the last fifteen (15) minutes of each hour.

- ii. During "Lap Swim", only lap swimmers are permitted to swim in the lap pool. The leisure pool will be closed during these 15-minute periods.
- G.** Pool users are solely responsible for their personal property while on pool grounds.
  - H.** At the discretion of the Pool Manager, admission shall be refused to anyone wearing bandages or with skin abrasions, colds, coughs, inflamed eyes, infections, open sores, excessive sunburn, nasal discharge, or other evidence of contamination.
  - I.** No food or beverages within 10 feet of the edge of the pool.
  - J.** All bathers must shower before entering the pool.
  - K.** Members or guests who are abusive towards other members, guests, or pool management company personnel or who disregard the direction of pool management personnel will have their pool privileges revoked.
  - L.** Running, pushing, wrestling, cursing, undue disturbances, and any activity endangering self or others in or about the pool and pool area are not permitted.
  - M.** No one under the influence of alcohol will be permitted to enter the pool area. No alcoholic beverages are permitted in the pool area.
  - N.** No glass containers of any kind are allowed within the pool area.
  - O.** There is NO SMOKING, VAPING OR E-CIGARETTE USE allowed anywhere within the pool area.
  - P.** All injuries occurring within the pool premises must be reported to the Pool Manager.
  - Q.** Expectorating and spitting water in and around the pool and nose blowing in the pool area are prohibited.
  - R.** No pets are allowed within the pool area except Service animals, except and unless the Association is holding an after-season pool event for dogs. Service animals MUST be wearing service vest/working animal notification.
  - S.** Only those persons wearing proper swimming attire are permitted in the pool. Pool users must wear swimming suits or swimming trunks upon entry into the pool. Clothing such as cut-offs, gym shorts, and underwear is not permitted as swimwear. Swim attire should not have been worn for exercising immediately prior to pool use and must be colorfast and of lightweight material suitable for swimwear, such as Lycra, Spandex, or nylon.
  - T.** Only children five (5) years of age and under may use the wading pool. Older children accompanied by an adult who is tending a young child are allowed within the wading pool area, but not the wading pool itself.
    - i. ***There is no lifeguard station within the wading pool area. Therefore, adults are solely responsible for all children in the wading pool area.***
  - U.** Any pool patron in diapers must wear swim diapers or rubberized protection to enter the wading area or in the main pool.
  - V.** Only infant seats, strollers and wheelchairs are permitted in the pool area. Strollers are not permitted within ten (10) feet of the pool. Playpens, portable cribs, and similar equipment are prohibited. Please always apply brakes on strollers unless moving.

- W.** The pool may be closed at any time due to equipment failure, unsatisfactory water quality, or weather. The pool area may be closed for at least one-half hour after lightning or thunder. The pool will be cleared of all people in the event of an emergency. The Pool Manager shall have the authority to affect the closing of the pool consistent with Montgomery County regulations.
- X.** The Pool Manager is responsible for the strict enforcement of Rules and Regulations. He/She or designated staff has the authority to suspend any member or guest temporarily or permanently from the use of the pool and its premises, for the current season.
- Y.** The maximum number of people in the pool or the pool area shall be consistent with the current Montgomery County regulations. The Pool Manager will be responsible for enforcement.
- Z.** Lap lanes are restricted for the purpose of lap swimming and will be enforced by the pool management company.
- AA.** The playing of audio devices (radios, cassette players, TV's, etc.) within the pool area is permitted only if used with personal earphones.
- BB.** Members are permitted to possess and use cell phones within the pool area. However, photographing anyone at the pool, including pool staff, without their express prior permission is prohibited.
- CC.** Parents are asked to limit the number of lounges and chairs used by their children. The saving of chairs, lounges and/or umbrellas for anticipated members or guest during one's extended absence from the pool is prohibited.
- DD.** Personal, commercial, and political advertising or solicitation within the pool's premises is prohibited.
- EE.** No diving permitted.
- FF.** The lifeguards have been empowered to enforce these rules and regulations with the goal of maintaining a safe and healthy environment. Pool management shall have the authority to dismiss from Cabin Branch pool property any member or guest who poses a threat to safety or breaks the rules. Failure to comply with guard directions is grounds for expulsion from the pool and suspension of privileges for a day or up to the remainder of the current season.
- GG.** Gate guards are authorized to prohibit entry to anyone who cannot provide a valid pass.
- HH.** CAREGIVERS. Non-Cabin Branch members serving as caregivers (including babysitters) will be permitted to enter the pool when a Cabin Branch member submits a Caregiver Pool Pass and pays a \$25 fee. The Caregiver pass can be found on Access Granted and is valid for one season; the Caregiver form must be resubmitted and paid for each year. The Caregiver must present the caregiver pass when entering the pool with the member(s) in need of care and may not enter the pool with the Caregiver pass except in the company of the person(s) being cared for. Caregivers entering the pool with the homeowner will be considered guests and must enter on a Caregiver guest pass.
- II.** One (1) GUEST PASS, good for 10 admissions, is provided free of charge to each registered household. Additional Guest passes are available for purchase online for a fee of \$20.00/10 visits.

**JJ.** Guest passes are issued electronically. No paper passes will be issued. Guests will be checked in by the lifeguard when entering the pool facility.

**KK. GUEST PASSES CANNOT BE PURCHASED AT THE POOL. No cash/checks will be accepted by the lifeguards.**

Additional guest passes can only be purchased online through the pool pass application portal.

- i. A HOA member must be present with anyone wishing to use a guest pass.
- ii. Children under the age of two (2) accompanied by an Adult will not be deducted from the guest pass.
- iii. All guests must follow all Pool Rules.

I certify that I have read and understand the community Pool Rules and that I have explained them to my family/household. I understand that failure to comply with these rules could result in the termination of privileges for the household.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_