

# 2023 VIRGINIA OAKS POOL RULES

The Virginia Oaks pool will open on the Saturday before Memorial Day at 11 am. The pool will close for the season at 8 pm on Labor Day. Access to the pool is limited to Residents in good standing and their guests. "Good standing" shall mean an Owner or tenant whose right to use all or any portion of the Common Area has not been suspended for a violation of the Declaration or rules and regulations or for nonpayment of assessments. Pool hours are 11:00 am to 8:00 pm, daily.

The following rules have been developed for the operation of the pool in the best interest of all Residents and can be changed or amended as necessary by the Board.

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## 1.0 **ADMITTANCE**

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### 1.1 **POOL RESIDENTS**

- A. All Residents must have their keycard to gain entry to the pool.
- B. If a Resident keycard is lost, replacement cards can be obtained for \$5.00 each by contacting the Association Management Company.
- C. Each patron under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a responsible Resident 16 years of age or older while at the pool.
- D. Residents are responsible for assuring their guests follow the rules and will be held accountable for all guests' infractions.
- E. Diaper dependent patrons will be admitted to the main pool and wade pool when accompanied by a responsible Resident at least 16 years of age and wearing appropriate covering such as a swim diaper made specifically for use in water.
- F. Residents with open wounds or infectious diseases must not enter the pool
- G. Anyone who fails to obey a guard's direction, misbehaves or endangers the safety of others may be suspended from the pool and have the keycards deactivated.

### 1.2 **POOL GUESTS**

- A. Any and all guests must be accompanied by a responsible Resident at all times when at the pool.
  - B. All guests must abide by the same rules and regulations as Residents.
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## 2.0 **POOL RULES**

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### 2.1 **GENERAL**

- A. All persons shall obey the instructions and respect the authority of the lifeguards. Failure to do so may result in immediate removal from the pool facility.
- B. Persons must not engage in conversations with lifeguards on duty, except when an emergency or safety issue is present.
- C. Diaper dependent patrons must wear swim diapers made specifically for swimming.
- D. There shall be no running or gymnastics on the pool deck or in the pavilion or pool house.
- E. No diving, horseplay, dunking, pushing, or excessive splashing is allowed.
- F. No one is permitted on another's shoulders and tossing of people is prohibited.
- G. No glass containers are allowed in the pool, on the pool deck, or in the pavilion or pool house.
- H. No alcohol or smoking of any substance in any form is permitted in the pool, on the pool deck, or in the pavilion or pool house.
- I. There shall be no jumping onto floats from the side of the pool. Lifeguards reserve the right to deny floats and other similar equipment based on pool occupancy.
- J. No wheeled vehicles except for mobility aides, strollers, and coolers are permitted.

### 2.2 **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

- A. Health code regulations require that all swimmers shower before entering the pool. Individuals leaving the pool area shall be required to shower before returning. Swim privileges shall be refused to all persons having colds, coughs, inflamed eyes, infections, or open wounds/sores or other communicable illnesses.
- B. The pool manager on duty has the authority to temporarily close the pool for health, safety, weather, mechanical repairs, or other good cause.
- C. Health regulations dictate that pools must be closed, shocked and cleaned when contaminated with human waste.

- D. **THUNDER:** The pool will be closed and cleared under the authority of the pool manager when electrical or thunderstorms are in the area. The pool will remain closed for 30 minutes from the last thunder heard or for such other time as the pool manager determines. All patrons will need to follow the instructions given by the lifeguard and/or pool manager.
- E. **LIGHTNING:** All patrons and guards must exit the pool area – deck included – when lightning is seen. The pool will remain closed for 45 minutes from the last lightning seen or for such other time as the pool manager determines. All patrons will need to follow the instructions given by the lifeguard and/or pool manager.
- F. **LIFEGUARD BREAK:** During a required 15-minute lifeguard break period, only lap swimming/walking is permitted. During lap swim/walk, all swimmers and walkers should swim or walk the long length of the pool. Non-swimmers are permitted to remain on the pool deck, however, they are not allowed to linger, sit near the edge of the pool, or soak their feet in the pool during this time since lifeguards are on break.

### 2.3 **LAP LANE**

- A. Lap lane is designated for lap swimming only.
- B. No playing in or swimming through or in the lap lanes.
- C. No hanging on or swimming across lap lane ropes.
- D. Lap lane should be shared by swimming in a counter-clockwise circular pattern.
- E. No floats in the lap lanes. Lap swimmers are permitted to use kickboards and pull buoys only.

### 2.4 **WADING POOL**

- A. The lifeguard and pool manager are not responsible for patrons using the wading pool areas. Anyone using the wading pool area should be accompanied by a responsible person 16 years of age or older.
- B. Wading pool is for children 5 years of age or younger who are accompanied by a responsible person 16 years of age or older.
- C. No diving.
- D. Diaper dependent patrons must wear a swim diaper made specifically for swimming.
- E. Diaper changes on tables or in pool area are prohibited. Change diapers in bathrooms.

## 2.5 **POOL PARTIES**

Pool parties outside of normal pool operations are governed by the Pavilion Rental policy. Renters should refer to the policy and rental form found on the TownSq app.

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## 3.0 **RULES ENFORCEMENT**

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- A. All persons using the pool do so at their own risk.
- B. Failure to comply with these rules, or any part thereof, may result in suspension of privileges or the imposition of monetary penalties. The lifeguards or pool manager may immediately suspend privileges for behavior and rule infractions that threaten safety of person or property for a 24-hour period. All corrective action taken by the pool management staff shall be reported to the Pool and Recreation Committee and the Association management company.
- C. Any person deliberately damaging pool property will be reported to the Association management company and may have their pool privileges suspended, be assessed the costs incurred to repair such damage, or be assessed monetary penalties.
- D. No one who has COVID-19, is displaying symptoms of COVID-19, or has been in contact (defined as being within six feet (6') or in the same enclosed room) with someone with COVID-19 with the previous seven (7) days shall be permitted in the pool. Symptoms are deemed to be the following: a fever of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher; sense of a fever; cough, shortness of breath, chills, sore throat or muscle aches that cannot be attributed to another health condition; or any combination of the foregoing.

*Rules and regulations reviewed in 2023, last updated 2021.*