

**STRATFORD SWIM CLUB
RULES AND REGULATIONS
MAY 2011**

An Adult from each member family must sign at the Front Desk acknowledging that they and their family members will abide by these Rules and Regulations before entering Pool Grounds for the first time each season.

The Pool Manager and Lifeguards are on duty to protect and assist you. It is your responsibility to support them in every way and not to disobey these Rules and Regulations. The Pool Manager is in complete charge of all pool personnel. He/She enforces all Rules and Regulations. He/She acts on all violations of the Rules on conduct reporting same to the Operations Committee, together with recommendations of action to be taken and enforces results.

A. Pool Hours

Monday through Thursday	11 AM to 9 PM
Friday and Saturday	11 AM to 10 PM
Sunday	12 PM to 9 PM

NOTE: Certain hours may be reserved for swimming instruction and social activities. Pool will be closed at the discretion of the Pool Manager during inclement weather, for maintenance or for lack of attendance.

B. Daily Guests

Adults:	Daily -- \$6.00	Weekends/Holidays -- \$8.00
Children:	Daily -- \$6.00	Weekends/Holidays -- \$8.00
Grandparents:	No charge when accompanied by a Member	

Each family membership will be allowed unlimited guest privileges, provided same guest shall not be allowed more than ten (10) times per season. Guest privileges are at the discretion of the Pool Manager during July and other crowded times.

NOTE: Guests from the following towns will be admitted to the Swim Club only five (5) times during the season: Stratford, Somerdale, Hi-Nella, Lindenwold, Laurel Springs, Magnolia, Gloucester Township, Clementon

Guests and visitors must be registered by the sponsoring member, be accompanied by this member, and must pay current guest fees. Members will inform their guest of Club Rules and Regulations and be responsible for their conduct. Members must be at least 12 years old to bring in guests and their guests must be at least 12 years old.

C. The Stratford Swim Club may not be rented by any outside groups unless approved by the Board of Trustees.

D. Membership Cards

A membership card will be issued to each member. This card **MUST** be presented at the Front Desk upon entering the club. **ANY MISREPRESENTATION WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE REVOCATION OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP PRIVILEGE WITHOUT FINANCIAL ADJUSTMENTS.**

DISCIPLINARY ACTION WILL BE TAKEN FOR MISUSE OF THIS CARD!!!

E. Parking Area

1. All cars and motorcycles must proceed slowly and carefully on the driveway and parking areas being considerate of grounds, children and adults. No hot-rod tactics, gunning motors or horn blowing will be tolerated.
2. Entrances, exits and roadways will be kept clear at all times. Park only in designated areas.
3. Bicycles and mopeds must be parked in designated areas only.

F. Pool Grounds

1. No alcoholic beverages, including kegs, beer balls, etc. are permitted on pool property.
2. Persons under the influence of intoxicants will be denied entrance to the pool or, if within the pool area will be escorted off the premises.
3. Glass containers are not permitted on Club grounds.
4. The Club has no facilities for checking valuables. Please do not bring them to the Club. The Club will not be responsible for articles lost or stolen.
5. The cost of any willful property damage or misuse of Club property will be charged to the responsible adult member.
6. No persons other than Club members, their guests and visitors are permitted on the grounds of the Swim Club during pool hours.
7. No profanity will be tolerated on Club property.
8. No pets are permitted on Club grounds at any time.
9. Smoking is NOT PERMITTED in the screened porch, in the pools, on pool aprons or within 25 feet from the edge of all concrete decks. No eating in pool or on pool aprons.
10. All persons are directed to dispose of refuse in containers provided for that use, including recycling containers.
11. No unauthorized persons will be permitted in the Manager's Office, Lobby Desk Area, Board of Trustees office or kitchen.
12. There will be a number of children's and adult functions during the season, at which time, admittance to the pool will only be authorized for those particular age groups. Admittance will be limited to the specific groups, with payment of the admission fee.
13. Playground -- Parental supervision is required **at all times**. Shoes are required. No one over the age of 10 years old is allowed to use the equipment. Anyone deliberately vandalizing equipment will be ejected from the club.
14. Picnic tables may not be reserved prior to normal club hours.
15. All guests are required to wear the wristband of the day.

G. Pools

1. Children twelve (12) years of age and under may use the main and intermediate pools unaccompanied by an adult only after passing a basic swimming test. At the discretion of the Manager or Assistant Manager, any swimmer twelve (12) and under will be required to undergo another test. Loss of a band may be possible if requirements are not fulfilled.

Returning Members: all children age 8 years and under will be tested.

New Members: all children age 12 and under will be tested.

Guests: all guests age 12 and under will be tested.

Unauthorized use or lending of bands to unqualified swimmers will result in disciplinary action at the Manager's discretion.

- A. **BASIC TEST (Blue)** consists of swimming one length of the main pool and treading water for two minutes.

NOTE: Blue band swimmers are not permitted in the diving area.

B. ADVANCED TEST (White) consists of swimming two lengths of the main pool, treading water for two minutes and survival float for two minutes. The swimmer must either swim freestyle or breaststroke and demonstrate the correct breathing method.

NOTE: White Band swimmers are permitted in the diving area.

Only one band will be worn as earned. Lost bands must be replaced for a \$1.00 charge.

Adults accompanying unbanded swimmers in the main pool must be completely in the pool with the swimmer except at 3 foot where oranges cones are located.

2. Children under TWELVE (12) years of age are not permitted in the Club unless accompanied by an adult or babysitter. A BABYSITTER MUST BE FOURTEEN (14) YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND MUST PAY A DAILY GUEST FEE OR A \$100.00 SEASONAL RATE. THIS BABYSITTER CANNOT BE IN CHARGE OF MORE THAN TWO (2) CHILDREN AT ANY GIVEN TIME. The Pool Manager will act at his/her own discretion involving any exceptions to this rule. (Also see special babysitter membership information on line 19.)
3. Adult swims are announced at the discretion of the Pool Manager. No one is allowed in the water at this time under the age of 18, except for toddlers under the age of 3 accompanied by an adult.
4. No water guns permitted on club grounds.
5. Diving is permitted only in the diving well. No flotation devices including swimmies, water wings, etc. are allowed in the diving area.
6. Flotation devices allowed in the main pool only at the discretion of the manager.
7. Ball playing is permitted only in the open area behind the pump house.
8. Water balloons are prohibited on club grounds.
9. Use of the intermediate pool is limited to children unable to use the main pool. Parents should not permit to add to the already overcrowded conditions in the intermediate pool by invading it during adult swims.
10. Use of the baby pool is limited to children under six (6) years of age, attended by an adult or responsible babysitter.
11. All persons must refrain from entering the pool with severe colds, open cuts, wounds, bandages, blisters, excessive sunburn, inflamed eyes, nasal or ear discharges.
12. No running, wrestling, shoving, pushing, undue disturbance or disorderly conduct will be permitted at any time.
13. Distracting of and loitering near the Lifeguards while they are on duty is prohibited.
14. Use toilet facilities before entering the pool. This is a MUST. Parents, please instruct your children.
15. Spitting and nose blowing are not permitted in the Pool.
16. Appropriate bathing attire is required. No thongs or cutoffs are permitted.
17. All persons must shower before entering the Pool.
18. The Pool Manager or Lifeguards may direct anyone to leave the Pool for reasons of health, safety or signs of fatigue.
19. Special memberships are available to accommodate working parents who are members and use a babysitter to watch their children. Please refer to our website www.stratfordswimclub.com under "membership".
20. All boys ages 8 and under must wear a speedo type bathing suit. The bathing suit may be worn under a regular bathing suit.
- 21. ADULTS MUST ACCOMPANY CHILDREN 5 AND YOUNGER INTO THE BATHROOMS, NO EXCEPTIONS**

H. Swim Meets

The following regulations will apply during and after all swim meets, in addition to applicable rules previously listed:

- 1. All spectators will stay clear of the apron area.
- 2. Use of the baby and intermediate pool by anyone will be not be permitted during a swim meet.
- 2. The Pool Manager will clear the Club grounds at the completion of the swim meet. Members and guests present at the swim meet must re-enter the Club in the usual manner.
- 4. On days of Home swim meets; the pool will re-open at approximately 12:30 PM.

I. Disciplinary List of Minor Infractions of Rule and Regulations (Informal Complaint)

- 1. Fifteen (15) minutes on the bench for first infraction or ten (10) minutes of constructive work.
- 2. Thirty (30) minutes on the bench for the second infraction or twenty (20) minutes of constructive work.
- 3. Suspension of pool privileges for the day for the third infraction. Parent Notification of suspension. The Child will not be permitted back to the pool unless accompanied by a parent.
- 4. In the event of an infraction considered to be serious in nature, the Pool Manager can suspend the violator for not more than three (3) days and must notify the Operations Committee of this action. Any more than a three (3) day suspension must be approved by the Board of Trustees. This rule supersedes all of the above mentioned, when applicable.
- 5. An informal complaint shall be a verbal warning to a violator by the Pool Manager.

J. Enforcements of Rules and Regulations (Formal Complaint)

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to invoke the following disciplinary action for violation of the above Rules and Regulations, upon the filing of a formal written complaint.

- 1. To suspend membership of the violator and his/her family.
- 2. In the event a formal complaint is made to the Board of Trustees against a violator of a rule by the Pool Manager, the violator shall be immediately suspended. A formal hearing shall take place before the Board of Trustees within ten (10) days of the lodging of the formal complaint.
- 3. At the formal hearing before the Board of Trustees, the Pool Manager(s) and witnesses shall state the facts constituting the violation. The violator and his/her witnesses shall present his/her defense.
- 4. In the event of a revocation of pool membership (Rule J.1), the violator and his/her family shall forfeit their annual dues and be denied access to the Club. Additionally, if the violator is a Bondholder, the Club will repurchase his/her bond. The bond must then be surrendered or it will be declared null and void by the Board of Trustees.
- 5. No formal hearing may take place without a quorum of the Board of Trustees (five members of the Board).
- 6. Disciplinary action under Rule J.1 and J.4 shall take place only by a quorum of the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees has delegated the authority to enforce these Rules and Regulations to the Pool Manager. Failure to comply with these Rules and Regulations may be sufficient cause of temporary suspension of the pool privileges by the Pool Manager or, if persisted in, action by the Board of Trustees.

Rules and Regulations subject to change by the Operations Committee.