

# AQUATIC FACILITY RULES & REGULATIONS

The following is a general list of rules for all four County pools. This is not an all-inclusive list and may be subject to change to meet certain conditions for individual facility under Facility Managers' discretion.

## ALLEGHENY COUNTY POOLS CHAPERONE POLICY (effective beginning July 2024)

- Visitors ages 17 and under are required to be accompanied by an adult at least 21 years
  of age, with valid photo ID. Proof of age will be required for those 18 and older if age is
  not easily determined.
- One parent/guardian, over 21 years of age, may escort all their children. Additionally, one chaperone, over 21 years of age, may escort no more than four youths during any one visit.
  - Group leaders and/or camp counselors may escort all children they are responsible for. For groups interested in visiting a County pool, please call 412-350-2455 in advance.
- Chaperones are responsible for the actions of the escorted youth.
- If an escorted youth is banned from the pool, the adult escort and group will be banned for the same period.
- Each adult chaperone must be present at the time of entry and remain within the facility for the duration of their party's visit.
- Any person violating the posted rules of behavior will be asked to leave the pool.

#### 1. GENERAL FACILITY RULES

- The Allegheny County Department of Parks retains the right to refuse any individual's admission into its facilities.
- Only the facility Manager, Assistant Manager, Head Guard, or other supervisory
  personnel have the right to eject anyone from the pool area or bathhouse who is
  conducting him/herself in such a manner as to jeopardize the safety of him/her or
  others
- The following items are **prohibited** in the pool and around the pool area:
  - Beach balls and other related toys (such as footballs, basketballs, inc.)
  - Masks, fins, and snorkels
  - Any outside food
- Coolers (regardless of size and type) are <u>NOT permitted</u> into the facility.
- No intoxicating beverages and/or controlled substances of any kind shall be brought into or consumed in the facility

- Absolutely no glass containers, bottles, or cups are allowed in the facility
- No one, except authorized personnel, will be allowed in the filtration area, cashier's booth, guard room, or private sectors of the concession stand
- No one is permitted in the guard chairs except the lifeguards
- Any patron that trespasses by climbing the wall located at the back of each wave pool will be forced to leave the facility and may be banned from pool entrance the remainder of the season.
- No profane, abusive, or vulgar language shall be used or be permitted and transmitted on radio
- Personal umbrellas are permitted. Canopy umbrellas/tents are not allowed.
   Umbrella policies are subject to change depending on weather and crowd conditions at the discretion of the facility manager(s)

#### No running!

- Radio will not be played at such high volume as to interfere with an emergency signal, public address systems, or disturb other patrons
- Rough, boisterous play or running in the pool area (especially in the shallow water) is not permitted at any time
- As a safety precaution, all pool ladders are **EXIT** only
- Diving is only permitted in water 6 feet or deeper. At the wave pools, diving is only permitted on the deep side of the side chairs (8-feet deep water)
- Flips of any kind (i.e., front flips, back flips, gainers) are prohibited at ALL four County pools
- Only shatterproof glasses (including sunglasses) with a tight-fitting safety strap can be worn inside the pool.
- Leaders of organized groups will assume the direct responsibility of the conduct and behavior of the members of their group while at the facility
- Infants and children in diapers must wear a protective cover over the diaper
- At the discretion of the Pool Manager, people with signs of illness or disease, skin
  rashes, or sores are not allowed in the pool or pool area, unless they present to the
  manager a doctor's certification proving they are not in a communicable stage
- At the discretion of the Pool Manager, people with excessive amounts of plaster, adhesive tape, or bandages of any kind on their body will not be allowed in the water
- Smoking (i.e., cigs, pens, e-cigs) is also not permitted inside the facility. Please use the designated smoking areas located outside of the facility.
- Appropriate swimming attire is required in the pool and on the deck area. No street clothes, jeans, cargos, sweats, socks, etc., are permitted in the pool.
   Patrons wearing diapers must wear a swim diaper.
  - Under managers' discretion, patrons may be asked to change and/or leave facility
- Food, drink, gum, and chewing tobacco are restricted to the concession area.
- The Allegheny County Department of Parks is **not** responsible for any articles, lost or stolen. "Lost and Found" articles will be held for two weeks before disposal.

#### 2. SETTLERS CABIN DIVE POOL TOWER

- The tower is open to anyone over the age of 5-years-old and will be monitored by a lifeguard.
- Any patron using the diving well must be able to swim.
- No one is permitted to dive or jump in from the side of the diving pool
  - o Patrons must use the diving boards or tower
- Only one person is allowed on the tower at a time. On crowded days, a lifeguard should be poised to regulate the number of people on the tower.
- To use the  $7 \frac{1}{2}$  and 10-meter platforms, divers must first perform a successful dive from the 5-meter platform.
- When utilizing the platforms, divers must adhere to the following rules:
  - Wait for the lifeguard's signal to proceed
  - o Jump or dive as soon as they signaled
  - Swim to the surface as soon as possible
  - Swim to the nearest ladder and exit the water

#### 3. FLOATION DEVICES

- Only those rafts which are rented from the facility are acceptable for use
- Rafts are **not** permitted in Settler's Cabin dive pool
- Raft users:
  - o Will not kneel or stand on rafts when they are in the water
  - Will not sit, lay, stand, or jump on rafts when not being used in the water
  - Will not jump on or dive through the center of their rafts from the side of the pool
  - Will not drag their rafts along the ground
- Raft users will return their rafts in the same condition as when they were originally rented
- Life preservers, such as Coast Guard type 4 & 5, floatation wings are **prohibited** (unless medically necessary)
- Lifejackets must have certification displayed and must be Coast Guard approved, in good and serviceable condition, and the appropriate size for the intended user
- Properly fitting Coast Guard Approved Life Jackets Type 1, 2, and 3 ARE acceptable (see next page)

### **Life Preserver Types**

ТҮРЕ	EXAMPLES
Type I  Adult size: 22 lb. of buoyancy Child size: 11 lb. of buoyancy Will turn unconscious wearers to face-up positions	
Type II: Near-Shore Buoyant Vest	
Adult Size: 15 ½ lb. of buoyancy Child Size: 11 lb. of buoyancy Infant Size: 7n lb. of buoyancy Will turn some unconscious wearers to face-up positions	
Type III: Flotation Aid	
i.e., float coat, fishing vest, water sport vest Wearers must put themselves in face-up position	