

**CLUB RULES**

The following rules apply to everyone on the premises of North St. John's Swim and Tennis Club, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as the "Club") including the Board Members, general members, Staff, guests of the members, non-member swim or dive team participants, contractors, salespeople, etc., whether on the premises by invitation or not.

These rules provide protection, safety, and sanitary operations of all Club users.

Parents are responsible for informing their children to observe these rules and to obey instruction of the Club Manager and Staff.

Failure to comply with these rules will be considered sufficient cause for immediate suspension of Club privileges for the offending member, and can result in termination of membership.

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**I. GENERAL RULES**

- A. Responsibility and Authority of Club Management:
- B. The Staff (managers and lifeguards) have complete authority over the pool, tennis courts and Club grounds. The Staff has the authority to refuse admission or immediately eject any member or guest from the Club property for violation of any Club rule.
- C. Three Strikes You're Out: If a child or minor is misbehaving there will be three steps of discipline.
  - 1. First Offense the child will be given a verbal warning or seated on a bench outside the office for a period not to exceed 15 minutes.
  - 2. Second Offense the child will be seated on a bench outside the office for a period not to exceed 15 minutes and the Staff will inform the parent of the problem.
  - 3. Third Offense the child will be asked to leave the pool grounds, parents will be called to pick the child up, and a report will be filed in the office.
  - 4. Depending on the offense, suspension will be an option and may or may not follow the three-strike discipline procedure.
  - 5. If there is a continuing problem with a child, the Board may be asked to take appropriate and immediate action. Again, parents please remember you are responsible for the actions of your children and your guests.
- D. The Club will not be responsible for loss or damage to personal property.
- E. The cost of any Club property damaged will be charged to the responsible member.
- F. The Club assumes no responsibility for any accidents or injuries.
- G. Children under 18 are not permitted in the pool during adult swim and are not allowed to sit on the side of the pool during adult swim.
- H. Members are responsible for the actions of their guests and are to ensure that their guests are informed of and abide by the rules, and obey the instructions of managers and lifeguards.
- I. The office and pump room are for the admittance of Staff or Board Members only.
- J. If experience necessitates changes or additions to these rules, such modifications may be made immediately, and all members are to be notified by email or posting of the rule changes.

**II. CLUB HOURS**

- A. Club hours vary, but generally the Club will be open from 12:00 noon to 9:00 P.M. daily, including holidays. Hours vary when public school is in session and for home swim and dive events.
- B. At the discretion of Club Management, the pool may be closed due to emergencies including, but not limited to, service demand times. Please refer to the Inclement Weather Policy for details.
- C. If the pool has not opened by 4:00 PM, due to inclement weather, the facility will remain closed, regardless of weather conditions, until the next scheduled day of operation. In the event of inclement weather which arrives after 6:00 PM, the pool shall be closed for the remainder of the evening.
- D. Swim team meets and practices, dive meets and practices, as well as camp information, swim and dive lessons, will be posted on the premises. The baby pool will be open subject to the availability of lifeguards.
- E. During home swim and dive meets, pool hours may vary. The pool will reopen after swim and dive meets, time permitting, once the grounds have been cleared and cleaned.
- F. The diving well will be closed during dive lessons and warm-ups for home dive meets, camp and when no guard is in the chair.
- G. The dates of evening events (Family Night, Adult Nights, Teen Nights, dive meets, swim meets, etc.) will be posted 2 weeks prior to the event. The pool may close 1 hour before the event.
- H. In addition to normal Club hours, the tennis courts are available to members and their guests before the pool opens each day and during the months the pool is closed. Since the tennis court gate will be locked with a combination lock, any member desiring to use the courts during this time must obtain the combination to the lock from the Club office or the Director of Tennis. The gates leading from the tennis courts to the swimming pool area will not be open during this time.

**III. ADMISSION TO THE CLUB****A. MEMBERS**

1. Members and their dependents (as defined by the By-Laws) are required to have photo IDs taken for member identification. The ID card must be presented at the Club office upon entry.

**B. CHILD CARE PROVIDERS**

2. Members have the option of selecting one individual per family designated as a childcare provider. This childcare provider will have full access to Club facilities while performing childcare duties. There will be an additional \$100 fee per season.

**C. GUESTS**

3. Guests must be accompanied by a Club member in good standing. The member must enter his own name and his guest's name and residence in the guest register before granted access to the Club. Any member who brings a guest without registering and paying the appropriate fee may have his or her membership terminated.
4. A non-member, living in the membership area, may only use the pool as a guest ten (10) times per year. The Club office will keep a record and enforce the number of visits per guest.
5. Members who provide full time daycare for children who are related to them may purchase a seasonal guest pass for \$250.00 per child. Those children may use the Club facilities Monday – Friday between the hours of 12 PM and 5 PM.
6. Members are permitted to have parties at the Club for up to 15 guests without Board approval. For over 15 guests, the member must submit a party form and provide to the Club Manager who will coordinate schedule and staffing before issuing a request to the Board for their recommendation.
7. Members having a party at the Club are required to leave a list of the names of their guests at the front desk. Please refer to the Pool Party Form for details.

**D. GUEST RATES**

1. Senior citizens (60 years and older) – Free up to the ten (10) allotted visits
  
2. Adults and Children
  - a. Weekdays
  - b. \$9.00 – Opening to 6:00PM
  - c. \$6.00 – 6:00PM to Closing
  
  - d. Weekends and Holidays
  - e. \$10.00 – Opening to 6:00PM
  - f. \$7.00 – 6:00PM to Closing
  
3. Guest Pass – \$70 for 10 visits
  
4. Guests only playing Tennis will be charged the same fees as Club guests
  
5. Houseguest is defined as a guest who is entertained overnight or longer at the member's home. A houseguest will use one guest privilege for each such uninterrupted visit. Houseguests will receive a special weekly rate of \$25.00 per person or \$75.00 per family.
  
6. Please refer to the Guest Pass Policy for details.

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**IV. SAFETY****A. MAIN POOL**

1. Guards are responsible for opening the pool at the appropriately scheduled time.
2. Members shall not use the main pool unless it is officially open, and the lifeguards are on duty and seated in the lifeguard chairs.
3. Running, pushing, wrestling, or undue disturbance will not be permitted on the pool deck.
4. The throwing of children or adults in the pool is not permitted.
5. Jumping is permitted from the edge of the pool.
6. Swim fins and breathing tubes are permitted in the pool.
7. Sponge-type balls and U.S. Coast Guard certified personal floatation devices are allowed in the pool during non-crowded conditions.
8. All other balls or toys including surf mats will not be permitted in the pool unless approved by the Board.
9. Personal flotation devices including arm floats and noodles will be permitted in the pool. Parents are responsible to be within arm's length of a child wearing a personal flotation device at all times. The Club assumes no responsibility for any accidents related to the use of a personal floatation device.
10. Water Blasters are not permitted in the main pool.

**B. DIVING WELL**

1. Swimming will be permitted in the diving area only when the diving boards and slide are not being used and are closed by the lifeguard on duty.
2. Diving is only permitted in the dive well.
3. Only simple front dives are allowed from the edge of the dive well when the boards are closed.
4. All other dives including jack knives and can-openers are permitted only off the diving boards.
5. A lifeguard is required to be in the dive well guard chair any time the dive well is in use.
6. Only one person at a time is permitted on the diving boards or slide.
7. No double bouncing or multiple bouncing on the diving boards.

**C. WADING POOL**

1. All children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
2. No child can be left unattended at any time, for any reason.
3. Only children six (6) years of age and under may use the baby pool unless they are with their siblings and parents.

**D. FACILITY**

1. Intoxicated and/or disruptive persons shall not be allowed on Club premises.
2. It is recommended that alcohol not be consumed on Club premises at any time, except during officially sanctioned social activities.
3. Glass containers, bottles or anything breakable will not be allowed on the Club premises.
4. **The Club is a non-smoking facility.** Cigarettes and other tobacco products are permitted outside the fenced in area only and away from the club entrance.
5. Children under twelve (12) years of age must be supervised by an adult or responsible caregiver who is eighteen (18) years or older while on the Club premises.
6. All trash must be deposited in the appropriate trash and recycle containers provided.
7. Grills should be turned off when not in use. Please clean the grill and grill utensils when you are finished.
8. Lacrosse balls are not permitted.
9. No chairs are allowed on the pool deck.

**V. HEALTH**

1. Pets of any kind are not permitted inside the Club area.
2. It is recommended that showers be taken before entering the pool.
3. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to monitor the time that their children are using the showers to prevent excessive water use and flooding of the floor.
4. No member can enter the pool area, or permit a child to do so, while wearing bandages or suffering from an infection or communicable disease.
5. Babies with swim diapers (no cloth diapers) will be allowed only in the baby pool. Children **MUST BE** toilet trained to use the main pool.
6. No diapers of any kind are allowed in the main pool.
7. Nose blowing, spitting and bodily elimination is prohibited while in the pool.



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**VI. TENNIS COURT RULES AND REGULATIONS****A. SCHEDULING**

1. Members are free to use the tennis courts any time they have reserved them or on a first-come, first-served basis, when the courts are not reserved.
2. Members may have guests on the courts, but are responsible for the guest's behavior while on Club property. Any guest who uses the tennis courts during hours the pool is open must pay the guest fee specified in the Club rules. All guests must be signed in at the Club office when the swimming area is open.
3. Members may reserve a tennis court for use during the summer season when the Clubhouse is open. Each member may sign up for one, 1 ½ hour period, during the seven-day period following the day the reservation is made. After the 1 ½ hour period has been completed the member may sign up for another period if no one else is waiting to use the court.
4. When signing up for a court in advance, all persons who will be playing must be listed.
5. All players who reserve a court must begin play within 10 minutes after the assigned time or relinquish the courts if members are waiting to play.

**B. ATTIRE**

1. All persons using the courts shall wear non-marking tennis shoes.
2. All persons using the courts shall be clothed in suitable attire, including tops for men.

**C. USE OF COURTS**

1. Courts are available for use by any member or guest under the following conditions:
  - a. Members are reminded that guests using any Club facility are subject to the rules.
  - b. Members and guests age 16 and over, have preference for courts every weekday after 5:00 P.M. and on Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays.
  - c. Children may use the courts during this period of time but must relinquish the court after the game in progress is complete if a member or guest age 16 and over desires to play.
2. Tennis courts are to be used for tennis only.
3. Bicycles, skateboards, skates, or motor vehicles are not permitted to be operated on or near the courts.
4. Sitting on the nets is also prohibited.
5. Tennis lessons for a fee shall not be given by members or non-members on NSJ tennis courts without prior approval of the Vice President for Operations and the Club Manager.
6. The Tennis Pro may reserve only one (1) court for tennis instruction except for Club sponsored events.
7. All the tennis courts may occasionally be reserved for Club sponsored events.
8. Playing members and spectators must keep the courts and surrounding area free from trash and other debris by using receptacles in the area provided.
9. Trash removal service is provided only during the summer months (Memorial Day to Labor Day).

10. Any members using the courts during the months other than the summer months must take trash and debris with them when they leave the Club premises.

**D. BEHAVIOR**

1. Unruly actions on or near the courts, or misuse of the tennis courts as judged by the Staff, the Director of Tennis, or the President, are cause for dismissal from the Club premises for the day.