

# **WINDY POINT RECREATION ASSOCIATION, INC.**

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The following is a list of rules and regulations which are deemed necessary for the safe and satisfactory operation of our pool. We would ask that you and each member of your family make every effort to comply with these rules to ensure everyone's safety and enjoyment of the pool. Failure to comply with these rules may be grounds for suspension of pool privileges at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

### **ARTICLE I- SCHEDULE**

1. The date of pool opening and closing, as well as pool hours, will be published in the newsletter and on the website prior to opening day.

### **ARTICLE II- ADMITTANCE OF MEMBERS**

1. All members will pay annual dues (see membership options). Annual dues cover a member or member family which is defined as the head(s) of the household and all dependents.
2. Delinquent Accounts: Any member whose account is in arrears will not be allowed access to the pool, facilities, or programs until the account is settled.
3. All members must sign in and provide valid ID as they enter the gates.
4. All correspondence should be sent to the appropriate officer at Windy Point Recreation Association. P.O. Box 1377, Yorktown, Virginia 23692. WPRA communicates primarily through email. Members must inform appropriate officer if not receiving emails. EMAIL: windypointpool@gmail.com
5. The swim team shall be made up of only those who have the privileges of membership in the Association per GPSA (Greater Peninsula Swimming Association) rules.
6. Children 10 & under must be accompanied by a parent, guardian or a designated babysitter at least 15 years of age. Guards reserve the right to validate swim abilities.

### **ARTICLE III- ADMITTANCE OF GUESTS**

#### **1. Guests**

- a. Guests must be accompanied by a member 15 years or older at all times. Members must be present with and are responsible for their guests at all times.
- b. Members must sign their guests' names in the guest register.
- c. Guests are subject to the same rules as members.
- d. Guests may be refused admittance by the management for just cause.
- e. Each family may purchase an unlimited number of guest passes for \$5 each, or ten for \$35. A non-member, visiting the pool as a daily guest may use the facilities a maximum of 15 times per season.
- f. Special houseguest passes for out of town guests may be obtained at the gate. The cost of houseguest passes are \$20 per family, per week. Local guests may be issued house-guest passes at the discretion of the pool manager if they are temporarily residing with a member.
- g. Non-member childcare givers, who are employed by members on a continuing basis, may be admitted to the pool, without guest fees, while attending members' children. Childcare givers must be 15 years old or have a Red Cross Childcare Certification. Non-member Childcare Givers may not bring guests to the pool. The families of non-member Childcare Givers have no pool privileges. It is the responsibility of the Childcare Givers to supervise, at all times, the children to whom they are being paid to care for.
- h. Members who are employed on a continuing basis as babysitters of non-member children may bring these non-member children as guests. Members will be charged the least of \$5/child/day or \$20/week.

- i. Member grandparents paying as a family membership who are not Senior Members are permitted to bring up to 6 local non-member grandchildren, listed on membership application, without paying guest fees. Non-member grandchildren will not be admitted to the pool unless accompanied by a member grandparent.
- j. Foreign exchange students residing with a member paying the family rate will be admitted free of charge.
- k. Employee's families may not use pool facilities unless they are members of the pool. Non-member employees may not sponsor guests. Employee members may not have guests while on Duty.
- l. Members are limited to 6 guests per household per visit. Members planning to bring a larger group need to give advanced notification to the pool manager, to ensure the pool is properly staffed. Any employee who is also a member, may not sponsor guests while on duty. The guest may be accompanied by another member.
- m. Families bringing more than 6 guests must notify the pool manager a MINIMUM of 7 days in advance for approval. Larger groups are not to exceed 15 guests at one time. Groups larger than 15 guests will be required to book a party with the clubhouse chairperson.

## **2. Spectator guests**

**A spectator guest is defined as a guest who is to not enter the pool water at any moment and must be fully dressed in "street clothes" (not a swim suit).**

- a. Must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age.
- b. Must attend as a spectator only.
- c. Must be accompanied by a member/signed in and wear a wrist band provided by Guard Management.
- e. Are admitted with no fee.
- f. Are subject to the same rules as members.
- g. May be refused admittance by the management for just cause.

## **3. MEMBERS FALSIFYING THE NAME AND/OR ADDRESS OF ANYONE MAY LOSE THE USE OF THE POOL FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SEASON.**

## **4. Admittance at Swim Meets:**

- a. Members, members' guests, participating teams and their guests will be admitted.
- b. Signing of the guest register and fee are not required.
- c. Pool rules and rules adopted for specific meets will apply.
- d. Time of admittance will be set by the pool management.
- e. The management may refuse admittance for just cause.

## **5. Special Activities/Programs/Swim Lessons**

a. Any non-member or non-member family member participating in a special activity or program offered at the pool (i.e. water aerobics, swim lessons) is not permitted to remain in the pool past the scheduled end time of such activity. There will be a 10 minute grace period following the activity. For non-members wishing to stay at the pool, a guest pass may be purchased at the front desk, so long as the non-member is accompanied by a member.

## **ARTICLE IV- GENERAL OPERATION OF THE POOL AREA**

**1. The pool manager and lifeguards on duty shall have full authority and discretion to enforce all rules of the pool.** Any criticism of the lifeguards shall be directed to the pool manager. Criticisms of the pool manager shall be directed to the Board of Directors.

2. Swimmers who are deemed unsafe in the water may be requested by the lifeguard to swim the length of the pool to prove their ability or may be asked to exit the pool. The manager/assistant manager must be notified if the latter occurs. A swimmer deemed to have weaker swimming abilities may be given a wristband to wear.

3. Any person acting in such a manner as to endanger him/herself or infringe on any other person's rightful enjoyment of

the pool and surrounding grounds, in the opinion of the manager/assistant manager, will receive an initial warning. A second offense will result in a 10 minute timeout. A third offense will result in loss of pool privileges for that day. For minors, parents will be notified by the Board of Directors about the action.

4. Pets will not be allowed inside the gate and should not be encouraged to remain at the gate where they might slip in.
5. Alcohol is prohibited on pool grounds.
6. Anyone showing signs of intoxication will be refused admittance.
7. Any damage to the Windy Point property caused by members or their guests may be charged to the member involved. Intentional damage to association property, in the opinion of the manager, will result in a minimum penalty of automatic suspension of pool privileges for two weeks, repayment for the cost of repairs, and may result in more severe sanctions as determined by the Board of Directors.
8. Persons with open sores, discharge from nose or ears, or contagious conditions may not enter the pool.
9. All trash and litter must be placed in cans provided.
10. All unauthorized persons shall stay clear of the lifeguard stand and avoid diverting the attention of the lifeguards from their work.
11. The association does not assume responsibility for the loss or theft of personal articles within the pool grounds. All persons are asked to keep their personal belongings to a minimum while using the pool.
12. Smoking and vaping is not allowed within the gates. Chewing tobacco is permitted on pool grounds but shall not be used/in the mouth while in the water. Chewing tobacco must be disposed of in a trash receptacle. Any member who fails to dispose of their spit can or other chewing tobacco waste may be banned from bringing and using chewing tobacco within the gates.
13. Member's personal property shall not be kept in the storage area, snack bar, tables, or bathrooms.
14. No glass containers will be permitted in the pool area.
15. **NO FOOD OR DRINK, INCLUDING WATER, IS TO BE CONSUMED IN THE POOL. Food or drink, including water, is not permitted within 4 feet of the pool, to include in the pool, during normal operating hours.**
16. Consumption of food IS permitted on the pool deck in the pool-chair areas. Large crumbs should be picked up and disposed of in a trash receptacle as well as all trash relating to food consumption. **NO FOOD IS ALLOWED TO BE CONSUMED WHILE IN THE WATER.** Members who fail to pick up after themselves or leave large amounts of food- related waste laying around will have their food consumption confined to the grassy area and wooden deck.
17. Preference is to be given to persons 18 years of age and older for the use of the pool-owned chairs.
18. The use of clothing which, in the opinion of the manager, is subject to shredding or unraveling such as "cut offs" is not allowed in the pool. Anyone seen wearing such attire will be refused admittance in the pool.
19. The addition or deletion of rules may be made at any time as the Board of Directors entertains members' suggestions as to the merit or necessity to provide a safe and enjoyable environment.

## ARTICLE V- OPERATION OF THE MAIN POOL

1. Swimming is allowed only when at least one lifeguard is on duty at poolside. (If there is no lifeguard on duty during pool hours, please notify the manager.) Pool gates will remain closed until official posted pool opening hours, unless specified by special events.
2. All swimmers should take a cleansing shower before entering the pool.
3. Water-wings, pool noodles, and blow-up floats are NOT approved personal flotation devices. They are toys and not meant to protect a child from harm while in the water. Any non-swimmer or weak swimmer even if they are using/wearing a flotation-type device must be DIRECTLY SUPERVISED (within arms' reach of an attentive parent/guardian or designated sitter 15 years or older) while in any part of the pool.
4. Floats used in the pool for recreation are dependent upon lifeguard approval.
5. **Diving Boards**
  - a. Only one person on each diving board at a time.
  - b. Before jumping, the previous diver must be at the ladder.
  - c. Divers must take off from the end of the board in a forward direction, and are permitted only one bounce.
  - d. Water wings, PFD's, or floats are not allowed on the board.
  - e. Parents/guardians are not allowed to "wait" and have children jump into their arms.
  - f. Dives limited to 1 ½ flips (No twists or backflips).
6. Courtesy and consideration of others are cardinal rules for the satisfactory use of any pool. The following is a list of Don'ts...There are others, but, if in doubt, **DON'T!**
  - a. spout water, blow nose, expectorate, etc. into the pool.
  - b. run, trip, or wrestle on the concrete area of the pool, or in the pool.
  - c. dunk or dive near other people.
  - d. Members are encouraged to report any infractions of the rules and discipline problems to the pool manager.
  - e. No chicken fighting or sitting on shoulders are allowed in pool.
7. In case of emergency or for control purposes, the pool may be closed at any time at the discretion of the management.
8. All persons using the pool and facilities of the Association do so at their own risk. The Association is not responsible for any accident or injury in connection with such use.
9. All persons under 16 years of age will be required to leave the pool for a ten minute rest period each hour. Sitting on the steps or edge of the pool with feet dangling in the water will not be permitted.
10. **Weather Protocol**
  - a. When heavy rain obstructs the lifeguard's visibility of the main drain, patrons will be asked to clear the pool until conditions improve.
  - b. With each lightning strike or clap of thunder, patrons will be asked to clear the pool AND exit the gates for 30 minutes at a time.
  - c. If said conditions continue, the pool will close for the day.
11. Members will use every caution upon entering and leaving the pool area. Speed limits are posted and will be strictly adhered to.

## ARTICLE VI- OPERATION OF THE WADING POOL

1. Children over 6 years of age are not allowed in the wading pool.

2. Parents, adults, or Childcare Givers must remain in the wading pool area with their children.
3. Children in diapers are not permitted in either pool without vinyl pants or swim diapers.
4. Article V number 3 and 6 also apply.