

Park West Community Association

2020 Pool Operating Plan

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Background

- The plan presented here recognizes the unprecedented challenges presented by the COVID-19 global pandemic.
- The plan is predicated on approval from the Fairfax County Health Department (FCHD) in the form of operating permits for our pool. The plan presented follows guidance from Governor Ralph Northam’s “Forward Virginia Blueprint”.
- This plan also relies on individual members to act responsibly, adhere to guidelines and rules and to stay at home if they exhibit symptoms or have a fever.
- Members that are immunocompromised or in high risk categories should follow the “safer at home” guidance.
- The pool staff, PWCA Board and PWCA volunteers reserve the right to refuse entry to any member exhibiting symptoms and to eject any member not adhering to safety protocols.
- Procedures may be added, eliminated or modified within this plan based on guidelines set forth by Governor Northam or the FCHD.

Procedures Applicable to All Operations Phases

- All members will check-in and check-out through the front gate of the pool. Pool passes are required with certain exception – see Rule #4 for the exception. A pool use acknowledgement and waiver of liability signature is also required prior to entry to the pool.
- Face coverings are required to enter and exit the pool facility and must be worn when proper physical distancing cannot be maintained.
- Any member who wants to enter the pool deck must agree to a waiver of liability.
- Pass holders under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult.
- If you show signs of Covid-19, please stay home.
- If you use the pool and later test positive for Covid-19, you must inform the Board of Directors and pool management immediately.
- Life guards will not enforce physical distancing. We expect the members to maintain applicable social distancing requirements between other non-family members when at the pool. The lifeguards' job is to ensure swimmers are checked in, be in the lifeguard chairs when swimmers are in the pool and to clean and disinfect between swim sessions. Guards in the chairs will not wear masks.
- Pool furniture and other support items will NOT be available. If you require a chair while in the facility, please bring your own.
- No communal pool equipment will be provided. No equipment or toys may be brought on the pool deck with the exception of personal fitness-related swimming support equipment (e.g. kick boards, goggles).
- Bathrooms are open but we appreciate minimal use of the bathrooms. Please do not use the bathrooms for changing.
- Showering at the pool is **STRONGLY** discouraged.
- Bringing your own water bottle is **STRONGLY** encouraged.
- Guest passes and Sunshine Dollars will NOT be honored.
- A hand sanitizer station is provided near the check-in desk.
- The pool will close and pool deck evacuated between each respective block of swimming time for cleaning and disinfection.
- A Lost and Found will NOT be maintained. Any personal items left behind will be discarded during cleaning and disinfection.
- If the pool is closed for weather-related or other issues, the reserved time slot(s) during the closure are lost.

Phase 3 Operations

1. The main pool and wading pool will be open for recreation, exercise and lap swimming. The diving board is not available for use.
2. Social distancing rules apply. **10 feet of separation is required from anyone not in your family.** It is everyone's responsibility to respect your pool community and follow guidelines. Violators may be asked to leave the pool for the day.
3. The pool will operate in 60 minute windows followed by a 30 minute closure. Members will sign up for time slots on SignUpGenius. PWCA may limit the number of time slots each member may reserve in a week. **No reservation, no entry to the pool.**
4. The pool deck will be sectioned off for social distancing requirements. Non-swimmers / non pool pass holders are allowed at the pool if accompanying a child under the age of 16 who is swimming or exercising in the pool. These individuals must be the child's family or guardian. They must show photo ID, have a reservation, and sign both the waiver of liability and the pool user acknowledgement form before entering the pool.
5. No pass box at entrance – individuals keep passes with them during their time at the pool.
6. One dedicated lap lane will be available. This lap lane is dedicated for exercise at all times.
7. Flotation devices: learn-to-swim vests ONLY. No raft-like flotation devices except for children under 1 who must be monitored by their parent or guardian.
8. Reduce the amount of gear you bring for your time at the pool as much as possible.

Pool Layout Phase 3 Operations

