

Community Club of Falconbridge Pool Rules and Regulations

The following policies and rules have been established for the benefit and protection of all members and guests and have been approved by the Community Club of Falconbridge (CCF) Board of Directors. These rules may be amended or changed at the discretion of the CCF board at any time. Copies of these pool rules have been made available to all members. Additional copies are available in the clubhouse foyer. It is the responsibility of each member to understand and comply with these pool rules.

All persons using the pool do so at their own risk. The Falconbridge Homeowners Association, Community Club of Falconbridge, and the pool management company are not responsible for accidents and injuries.

Attendance Policies

The pool is open to FHA and CCF members in good standing and their guests. Pool hours will be posted at the clubhouse.

- Children under the age of eight (8), any child or person not capable of looking out for themselves, and all guests must be accompanied by parent, guardian, or responsible caregiver. Any child under the age of 8 or child not capable of looking after themselves will not be permitted to remain in the pool unless physically attended by a responsible person (15 years of age or older). The supervising parent, guardian, or caregiver must adequately supervise the child(ren) in their care. A lifeguard may challenge the qualifications of the responsible person if actions warrant. Children age four (4) and under may only use the pool if they are accompanied by an adult **who is physically in the water** with the child.
- The responsibility of parents and guardians who accompany children continues while they are in or near the water or elsewhere on the grounds. The lifeguards are employed for the safety and welfare of everyone.
- Children eight (8) years of age and older must pass a swimming test administered by the Pool Manager or a staff lifeguard before being permitted to come to the pool independently. The test must be taken each year or be waived by the Club Manager. Any lifeguard can administer the test by appointment. Lifeguards will maintain a list of the children who have successfully passed the swim test. A child may pass the swim test when they demonstrate self-confidence while they:
 - Jump into the water
 - Swim the length of the pool, using any stroke except the “doggy-paddle”
 - Tread water for 2 minutes
 - Back float for 2 minutes
- Up-to-date emergency contact numbers must be available in the Guard Book for members whose children will be swimming independently.

Safety

All accidents or injuries should be reported to a lifeguard immediately.

- Adults who have joined the “Dawn to Dusk” Adult Swim Program and signed the waiver, may swim in pairs at any time between sunrise and sunset on all days from the season opening day (Mid-May) through the season end-day (Mid-Sept). See separate document for details and rules of the Dawn to Dusk Adult Swim Program.
- For those members not enrolled in the Dawn to Dusk Adult Swim Program, swimming is only permitted when a lifeguard is on duty
- No stunts or flips from the side of the pool.
- No wheeled vehicles (except wheelchairs and strollers) are permitted in the pool area or clubhouse. This includes wheeled toys, skateboards, or inline skates..
- **No glass containers** of any kind are permitted in the pool area, including the upper terrace. No members or guests, known to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs, will be allowed in the pool. Lifeguards or a CCF Board Member may require such a person or persons to leave the premises if deemed necessary.
- Inflatable devices for infants and toddlers may be used if parents/guardians are in the pool with the child and supervising the use thereof.
- Approved floats and balls may be allowed in the pool at the discretion of the lifeguard. The lifeguards may take away toys if they are being abused or restrict their use if they are being disruptive.
- The deck phone is for emergency and CCF business use only.
- Members and their guests are not permitted on the lifeguard stand at any time.
- For safety reasons, please keep conversation with the lifeguard on duty to a minimum.
- Safety equipment is for emergency purposes only and should not be handled or removed.
- Only one person is permitted on a diving board at a time
- No masks, snorkels, fins, or floatation devices while diving. Goggle use is at the discretion of the lifeguard based on a swimmer’s diving ability.
- Jump/dive straight off the board; not toward the side of the pool
- No swimming in the diving area when the board(s) is in use. This includes swimming in front of the boards, jumping/diving in from the side of the pool, hanging or swimming in the corners of the deep end.
- Non-swimmers may not use the diving board. If a child cannot swim to the ladder after going off the diving board unassisted they are not permitted to go off the board.
- No diving in areas less than 5 feet deep. This includes any head-first entry.

Behavior

- All members and guests should shower before entering the pool.
- Swimmers must wear appropriate swim attire: Thongs, cut-offs, torn T-shirts and street clothing are not allowed. No thongs, cut-offs, torn t-shirts, or street clothing are allowed.
- Rubber-soled pool shoes are permitted.
- Shouting, abusive or foul language, running, pushing, acrobatics, wrestling, fighting, spitting, horseplay, unsafe or unruly behavior, or causing undue disturbances **will not be allowed or tolerated. Lifeguards are authorized to remove anyone violating club rules.**
- Smoking, chewing gum, and food/drink are not permitted in the pool water or at pool edge. Please use the trash receptacles, recycling bins, and clean up after eating.
- No pets (animals) permitted in the pool area or clubhouse except for guide dogs.
- Loud music is not permitted within the pool area.
- The pool furniture is not to be removed from the pool area. Please clean any excess oils or lotions from pool furniture.

- Only authorized persons are permitted in the guardhouse or pump room.
- Neither the lifeguards, Club Manager, nor the CCF Board is responsible for lost or stolen articles. Items left at the pool or clubhouse are put into the lost & found basket. Unclaimed items are donated to charity.

Security

- Admittance to the pool is through the clubhouse foyer during normal pool hours.
- Close all gates and doors behind you. Do not open pool gates to let in unsupervised children or guests.
- All members and guests, regardless of age, must be signed in each time they visit the pool.

Hourly Adult Swim

During posted pool hours, a ten (10) minute adult swim will be called at the end of each hour.

- Only persons 18 years of age and older are permitted in the pool during adult swims. On duty staff is excluded.
- **All children must have all body parts out of the water and be at least 2 feet back from the pool edge.**
- Parents/Guardians may have infants and children one (1) year of age and younger in the pool with them during adult swims (direct hands-on supervision is required).
- One (1) long whistle means everyone out of the pool. Adult swims will be noted after the whistle. Two (2) short whistles mean everyone can get back into the pool
- Designated Swimming Lanes are for lap swimmers only. Please be considerate.
- A lap lane is normally available upon request. The lifeguard is authorized to designate the lap lane at other times, or to cancel normal lap lanes times when the pool is crowded. The lap lane is the lane farthest from the clubhouse.

Enforcement of Rules

- Lifeguards and management will enforce the rules of the CCF.
- All members and guests are required to abide by these rules and obey the instructions of the lifeguards.
- **Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children and members are responsible for their guests at the pool.**
- Non-compliance with the rules may result in suspension of pool privileges. The lifeguards have the authority to suspend pool privileges for the remainder of the day or longer for **any** infraction of these rules. Repeated violation of pool rules or conduct detrimental to others may result in termination of membership.
- **Eviction or suspension of pool privileges for non-compliance of the rules by a member or their guest shall not entitle such member to a refund of membership fee in whole or in part.**
- Lifeguards enforce the rules but cannot change them. Requests for changing to pool rules should be brought to the attention of the CCF Board of Directors.
- Only authorized persons are allowed in the pool area when the pool is closed. Any unauthorized use will be treated as trespass and violations will be subject to arrest and criminal prosecution.

Pool Closings

- The pool may be closed at the discretion of the lifeguards for inclement weather, maintenance, or other reasons.
- The pool may be closed, and the pool, deck, and clubhouse cleared, under the following conditions:
 - Cool or cold temperatures
 - Lightning or thunderstorms
 - Hail, showers, or heavy rain showers that prevent (block) observation of the bottom of the pool
 - Any other climatic conditions that may endanger pool users or staff
- If a storm occurs after 7:00 pm, the pool may be closed for the evening.

Health Considerations

- Persons with open sores or wounds, skin rashes or eruptions, sore or inflamed eyes, nasal or ear discharges, and other infectious or communicable diseases are not permitted in the pool.
- **AT NO TIME will infants/toddlers wearing disposable diapers or cloth diapers be permitted in the pool**
- **Infants/Toddlers and Children who are not toilet trained are required to wear swim diapers or “swimmies” covered by rubber pants and a swimsuit.**
- Parents/Guardians should make sure that their children are taking adequate “potty” breaks.
- Use the adult swim time to change diapers and have children take bathroom breaks.
- By Health Department Codes the pool must close for 24 hours after a “bathroom accident” in the pool.

Rules regarding the “Dawn to Dusk” adult swim program are provided in a separate document.