WILLIAMSBURG SQUARE COMMUNITY COUNCIL SWIMMING POOL REGULATIONS

POOL SEASON MAY 27, 2023 – SEPTEMBER 4, 2023

MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY – 1:00 PM – 8:00 PM
SATURDAY, SUNDAY, HOLIDAYS – 12:00 PM – 8:00 PM
WEDNESDAY - CLOSED

RULES AND REGULATIONS

NOTE: For these pool rules and regulations ONLY, the definition of an adult member is a person 16 years of age or older.

Children between ages 10 – 15 must pass a swim test or be accompanied by an adult.

Children 9 and under must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

The following rules and regulations were developed to assure safe and sanitary operation of the pool facilities and to maximize the enjoyment of the pool for all residents and guests. Every resident is requested to read them carefully, and parents are urged to make sure their children understand the rules and obey the lifeguard, who is responsible for enforcing them. A qualified lifeguard will be on duty at all times. The Homeowners Association (HOA) has contracted with a professional pool management company to operate your community pool. Your cooperation with the pool personnel will make their job easier and will make the pool a safe and pleasant recreation facility.

- 1. Persons using the pool area do so at their own risk and sole responsibility. The HOA and the contracted pool management company assume no responsibility for any accidents or injury in connection with such use, or loss or damage to personal property.
- 2. Each resident in good standing of the Williamsburg Square Community will be allowed entry to the pool.

 **Good standing means that each household is current with assessments and that there are no outstanding maintenance or architectural violations on the property. If assessments become delinquent during the pool season, then the pool privileges of that household will be suspended.
- 3. Admission to the pool requires submission of a pool application and completed waiver form. When entering, all pool users must register with the desk guard on duty at the guard station to be allowed entry to the pool.
- 4. Each adult resident may bring two (2) guests to the pool at the time of entry. Guests may only remain at the pool while the adult resident is in attendance.
- 5. All children between the ages of ten (10) and fifteen (15) years of age must be accompanied by an adult member, unless they have passed a swim test administered by the pool manager or lifeguard.
- 6. CHILDREN NINE (9) YEARS OF AGE AND UNDER will NOT be allowed into the pool area unless accompanied by an adult member. Each adult member is responsible for his/her own children.
- 7. Any unauthorized person(s) found inside the pool enclosure or bathhouse when the pool is closed will lose pool privileges for the remainder of the swimming season and WILL BE PROSECUTED for trespassing.
- 8. The cost of any property damage will be charged to the responsible household resident.
- 9. The pool may be closed at any time at the discretion of the lifeguard due to weather or operational difficulties. The pool can only be closed early due to lack of attendance after the lifeguard has contacted an HOA Board member (or Agent) for approval.
- 10. By order of the Montgomery County Department of Health, all persons entering the facilities must take a cleansing shower prior to entering the pool area.
- 11. Appropriate swimwear must be worn at all times. Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied back.

- 12. In accordance with Montgomery County Department of Health regulations, diaper age children must wear swim diapers in all pools.
- 13. NON-SWIMMERS must remain in the shallow water three-foot section.
- 14. We will allow pool patrons to use a properly fitting U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) approved and labeled Personal Floating Device (PFD) designed to provide vertical support and to keep the head above the surface of the water may be worn, provided each non-swimmer is accompanied by an adult in the pool within arm's reach. The adult must remain in the water in which they can stand flat on the pool bottom. Patrons wearing PFD are not permitted in deep water or deep water play features. PFD are not provided at WSAP facilities.

While PFDs are especially important for use with children, they are not to be substituted for adult supervision, which should always be present and act as the first line of defense in avoiding unwanted water contact.

What is NOT Permitted:

Non-USCG approved PFDs, inflatable toys, back floats/bubbles, rafts, inner tubes, water wings, rings (including those built into bathing suits) and similar objects are not permitted.

- 15. The following will not be permitted in the pool areas:
 - a. Smoking is only permitted outside the fence away from the front doors. Smoking is prohibited on the pool deck, showers, bathrooms, guard office and pump room.
 - b. Glass or sharp metal objects
 - c. Pets
 - d. Abusive or profane language
 - e. Food
 - f. Alcoholic beverages and/or persons under the influence of alcohol or drugs
 - g. Running, pushing, splashing, horseplay, or unruly behavior
 - h. Wheeled vehicles or objects (except baby carriages, strollers, or wheelchairs)
 - i. Persons with infections or communicable diseases, or sores, or bandages (other than Band-Aids)
 - j. Playing, swinging, or sitting on ladders
 - k. Sitting, hanging, or diving over float lines
 - 1. Climbing, hanging, or playing on guard stands
 - m. Chewing of gum or tobacco
 - n. Spitting or spouting of water or nose blowing
 - o. Throwing or kicking objects in the pool or on the deck
 - p. Behavior or excessive noise which interferes with the comfort and enjoyment of the facility and others
 - q. No balls, Frisbees, sponges, or other thrown or bounced objects are allowed to be used within the pool or pool area (deck)! (See o. above)
 - r. Open-play music is prohibited, this includes wireless speakers and boom boxes. Individual headphones must be used for personal music devices
- 16. All trash must be placed in the receptacles provided.
- 17. The office or lifeguard station is off limits to anyone other than the lifeguards, pool management personnel, maintenance personnel or HOA Board members. This is for safety to allow the lifeguards to leave the office quickly in the event of an emergency. Violations of this rule will result in suspension of pool privileges for the remainder of the day.
- 18. Lifeguards are the only authorized paid swim instructors at Williamsburg Square. Checks should be made out to the swim instructor. If a problem occurs with your instructor, contact the pool manager. If the pool manager is unable to correct the problem, contact the pool management company. *NOTE: Lifeguards may only conduct lessons during their off-hours.

- 19. No diving from the pool side will be permitted in the shallow areas of the pool. The lifeguard on duty may regulate the type of diving permitted in order to ensure swimmer safety.
- 20. The following rules will apply to the use of the diving board:
 - a. Non-swimmers are not permitted in the diving well.
 - b. Children must pass a test, administered by the Pool Manager, before being permitted to use the diving board.
 - c. Adult members are not permitted to swim in the diving well to catch a non-swimmer.
 - d. Only one (1) diver is permitted on the board at a time.
 - e. Swimmers must proceed immediately to the nearest ladder or out of the diving well after diving.
 - f. Wait until the previous diver is clear (to the ladder) before diving.
 - g. No "double bouncing" will be permitted.
 - h. No swimming in the diving well will be permitted unless the diving board has been closed by the Pool Manager.
 - i. No hanging on the diving board will be permitted.
 - j. Permission of the Pool Manager must be requested to close or open the diving well.
 - k. Unnecessary swimming or "loitering" in the diving well will not be permitted.
- 21. Only the Williamsburg Square Board of Directors has the right to authorize a swim team. Only one swim team will be permitted. All team events and procedures must be submitted in writing to the Williamsburg Square Board of Directors before approval can be granted for the use of the community pool by the swim team. This information must be submitted by the April Board meeting. The Board of Directors has the right to revoke permission for the use of the pool by the swim team at any time with just cause.
- 22. The swim team is permitted to use four (4) lanes of the pool during an authorized practice. If the team members use more than the allocated lanes for practice, causing other residents an insufficient area for swimming or possible safety hazards due to the lifeguard being unable to view the entire pool, corrective action will be taken by the Board of Directors. The Association is not responsible or liable for any actions of the swim team or its representative while on community property or at any other location or pool.
- 23. All members and representatives of the swim team must provide, in writing, that the Association is not responsible for any actions of the swim team.
- 24. Swim team members must check in with the desk guard upon arriving at the pool.
- 25. The swim team is responsible for any additional cost required to staff the pool during a swim meet. The Williamsburg Square Community Council and Board of Directors require that, if the swimming pool is open, it must be staffed with a licensed Montgomery County Pool Operator and lifeguard.
- 26. The lifeguard has the authority to bar any person (resident or guest) from the pool or pool area due to overcrowding or for any violation of these rules or for any other behavior, which, in their judgment, constitutes a hazard to persons or property. Any individual refusing to leave the pool after notification by the lifeguard is considered trespassing and may be removed by legal authorities.
- 27. These rules and regulations may be revised at any time by the Board of Directors or Montgomery County without prior notice. If a change occurs, new rules and regulations will be provided to all residents, in writing, within 30 days.

Questions concerning these regulations, or the pool facilities shall be directed to the Pool Manager or to The Management Group Associates and not the lifeguards.

ANY PERSON MAY BE RESTRICTED FROM THE USE OF THE POOL FACILITIES OR SURROUNDING AREAS FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THE AFOREMENTIONED REGULATIONS OR FOR ANY REASON CONSIDERED BY THE POOL MANAGER OR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO CONSTITUTE A HAZARD TO OTHERS OR TO THE FACILITIES.

ANY UNAUTHORIZED USE OF THE POOL FACILITIES AND/OR SURROUNDING AREAS BY PERSON(S) WILL BE PROSECUTED TO THE FULLEST EXTENT OF THE LAW.

HAVE A SAFE, ENJOYABLE SUMMER!!

WEBSITE ADDRESS

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE COMMUNITY HAS A WEBSITE FOR COMMUNICATION WITH THE COMMUNITY:

WWW.WSAPHOA.ORG

ALL HOMEOWNERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO VISIT THE WEBSITE WHICH CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS CONCERNING THE WILLIAMSBURG SQUARE / ASHTON PLACE COMMUNITY.