

GPRA POOL RULES AND POLICIES

Pool Hours: Monday – Saturday 12 noon – 8 pm
Sunday – 1 pm – 7 pm

*****Pool hours may vary at times due to home swim meets, rain, and social events.

*****Guests fees are \$5.00 per person

Concession Stand Hours: Monday – Thursday 12 noon – 7 pm
Friday – Saturday 12 noon – 8 pm
Sunday 1 pm – 7 pm

Pool Rules:

1. No running on the pool deck.
2. No horseplay.
3. No glass containers permitted.
4. No smoking on pool grounds.
5. Shower off before entering the pool from the sand area.
6. No gum in pool area.
7. No fighting.
8. Food and drink allowed behind the white line only.
9. No skates or skateboards are allowed on pool grounds.
10. No biking on pool grounds.
11. No diving except for in the deep end.
12. No balloons allowed in pool area.
13. Members 16 years and older have priority for the lounge chairs.

Slide:

1. Only one person on the slide at a time.
2. Slide down only in a forward sitting position.
3. Make sure area in front of slide is clear before sliding.
4. No flotation devices.
5. No sliding onto, into, or through any device or holding a device while sliding.

Diving Board:

1. One person on the diving board at a time.
2. Only one bounce on the board.
3. No swimming in the diving well when diving is taking place.
4. Diver must be at the wall before the next person goes.
5. No running starts onto the diving board.
6. No jumping onto, into, or through any device.
7. DO NOT touch lane flags while diving.

Basketball:

1. Throw the ball from inside the pool only.
2. DO NOT hang on the rim – this applies to outside basketball courts also.
3. DO NOT slam the ball against the backboard.

Tennis courts:

1. No black-soled shoes allowed.
2. No skating, skate boarding, or bicycling allowed.

Playground:

1. The managers or the guards do not supervise the playground.
2. No digging holes on property.
3. Throw your own trash away.

Membership, Dues, and General Information

1. An annual meeting will be held yearly before the pool opens so that the general membership has a chance to receive all information about the pool for the coming year. The budget will be approved, approval of board officials, inform members of new policies and procedures, etc.
2. Annual family membership to Gulf Park Recreation Association may be obtained any time of the year and are open to anyone. A family membership allows all family members living in one home full use of the pool, tennis courts, basketball courts, and volleyball courts that are associated with GPRA grounds. Pool access is limited to official pool hours or by special arrangements made by pool managers.
3. Annual membership dues will be set by the board and then voted upon at the general membership meeting each year.
4. Dues may be paid in two ways: Either in one payment due by March 15th of each year or on an installment plan – 1/3 due by March 15th, the next by April 15th, and the last payment due by May 15th. Payment must be paid in full prior to entering the pool.
5. There is a \$25.00 late fee on dues.
6. Membership includes those members of your family that are living in your home.
Extended family members and babysitters are not part of your membership.
7. Babysitters: A babysitter does not have to pay a guest fee if she/he is babysitting for a pool member and that member cannot be present. However, guest fees **will be** collected for that sitter if she/he is attending the pool along with an adult member of the family.
8. Unsupervised child drop off: In order for a child to be dropped off and unsupervised, the child must be at least 10 years of age and have passed the swim test given by a lifeguard. A current mobile phone number must be recorded beside the child's name in the "sign-in" book. This policy is for children 10 and 11 years of age and **ALL** children must be self supervised. **Absolutely no children under 10 years of age can be dropped off without adult supervision.**
9. Unsupervised child swim test: In order for a child 12 and under to swim unsupervised by an adult, the child must successfully pass a swim test administered by a Lifeguard and this test must be recorded on a sheet in the "sign-in" book at the front table. The swim test consists of swimming up and back in the swim lane without stopping or holding onto the lane rope or side of the pool, floating or treading water for 1 minute, reciting 5 pool rules, and jumping off the diving board and swimming to the ladder. ***We must have the parents contact information filled out on the form in the "sign-in" book.
10. For a child who has been asked to leave the pool for fighting, being disrespectful, not following the rules, etc. parents will be contacted and notified. If a child is asked to leave the pool twice in the season, that child **cannot** return to the pool without adult supervision.

11. Rain and thunder storm policy: The pool will open regardless of rain but may close early due to continuous rain and an ominous forecast. This is up to the discretion of the pool managers. If an electrical storm occurs, the pool will be cleared and re-entry will be restricted for 15 minutes after the last thunderclap and for 30 minutes after the last lightning, whichever is the longest. No one may reenter the pool until the guards or pool manager indicates that it is safe to do so.
12. Tobacco policy: The use of tobacco is not permitted on GPRA property.
13. Alcohol policy: Alcohol is allowed but please be discrete. NO glass containers. However, it is under the discretion of a pool manager, board member, or other patrons of the pool to ask a member to leave for inappropriate behavior.
14. Parking policy: The use of the upper parking lot is restricted to handicapped guests, managers, and head lifeguards on duty. ALL other vehicles must park in the lower lot to reduce safety issues and restrict entry for emergency vehicles.
15. Tennis Courts: The tennis courts are open to everyone who is a member of GPRA 365 days a year. A key to the tennis courts may be purchased for \$5.00 at the front table or thru a pool manager. If using the tennis courts at night make sure to turn the light switch to the "off" position before leaving. The lights are set on a timer and will automatically turn off. Please help with the maintenance of our courts and do not let your children play on the nets or eat their snacks of the tennis courts. The lower two tennis courts are rented from the pool by a tennis pro. The tennis pro has access to those courts as needed. If no one is using the upper tennis courts, the tennis pro may also use those courts for lessons. GPRA members do have priority to use the upper two courts over the tennis pro. Simply tell the tennis pro you are there to play tennis and he will move his players. There are also times during the summer hours that the interclub tennis players will be using all four courts for their matches and they will have priority.
16. Concession stand: Concession stand access is restricted to employees and the pool managers. The concession stand hours are posted above. It is under the discretion of the pool managers to determine if the concession stand will close early due to a low census at the pool.
17. The guards will blow the whistle at 15 minutes before the closing hour to clear the pool. Please be courteous to our guards and pool managers and leave the pool area in a timely manner.
18. Parties: **All parties must be arranged thru the pool staff, no exceptions.** All regular parties occur during pool hours and private parties will be scheduled after regular pool hours only. You may unload your party items at the upper parking lot but then the vehicle needs to be moved. All guests are to park at the lower parking lot. Please let them know this before they arrive. **All party guests must check in at the front table.**
10. Party Fees:
 - a. 1-15 party participants \$25.00 fee plus \$5.00 guest fee for each non-member.
 - b. 16-30 party participants \$50.00 fee plus \$5.00 guest fee for each non-member.
 - c. 31 and over party participants \$75.00 plus \$5.00 guest fee for each non-member.
11. Private parties (those occurring after pool hours) \$100.00 fee plus \$5.00 guest fee for each non-member plus \$10.00 per hour per guard lifeguard fee. The concession stand **will not** be opened for private parties. The grill may be used for an additional \$10.00 fee