



# *CLARK COMMUNITY POOL*

## *RULES & REGULATIONS*

*2016*

**FOR POOL EVENTS, INFORMATION AND EMERGENCY  
CLOSINGS:**

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Memorial Day of the current year to swim in the main  
pool.**

**ENFORCEMENT OF RULES: THE NEW STATE LAW OF NEW JERSEY DEMANDS THAT THE POOL BE CLOSED FOR TWELVE HOURS, WITH NO EXCEPTIONS, FOLLOWING AN INCIDENT OF FECAL MATTER IN THE POOL. THESE RULES WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.**

The Pool Management, Lifeguards, Police Department, and the Health Department of the Township of Clark shall have the authority to close or limit the pool activities whenever deemed necessary for health and safety for those present.

**SECTION 1: DEFINITIONS**

**Resident:** Anyone who dwells permanently or continually within the confines of the Township of Clark, New Jersey. Proof of residence required.

**Age:** Seniors Citizen must be age 62 by Memorial Day, proof of age required.  
**Children must be 3 years of age as of Memorial Day of each swimming season to swim in the main pool; proof of age required.**

**Pool Site:** The total area belonging to the Pool Utility of the Township of Clark for the Community Pool.

**Pool Apron:** The prepared concrete deck surrounding the pool

**Hours:** Swimming Lessons - Children  
Monday through Friday, 10:20 am to 11:50 am  
Monday through Thursday, 6:00pm – 6:40pm

Swimming Lessons – Adults  
Saturday & Sunday, 10:15 am to 11:00 am

Aqua Zumba  
Saturdays, 10:15 am to 11:00 am

Toddler Time  
Monday through Friday, 10:20 am to 11:50 am  
Baby Pool Only

Open Swimming  
Monday through Friday, 12:00 pm. to 8:00 pm  
Weekends and Holidays, 10:00 am to 8:00 pm  
(Lap Swimming 9:00-10:15 am, Adults Only)

Adult Swims (Lap Lanes)  
1:00 & 3:00 p.m. in center section of pool on crowded days  
(Manager's Discretion)

Special Events  
Open swimming will be terminated at such times as set by management.  
Kid parties & Swim Team parties require open swimming to end at 8:00 pm  
Pool will reopen at 8:30 for party  
Management reserves the right to close the pool earlier than

designated hours at their discretion.

**Admission:** No one is allowed into the pool without a properly validated I.D. card for the current season. Any card, which has been tampered with or is judged unacceptable at the gate, must be referred to management for replacement or forfeiture. All guests must be accompanied by a member in good standing. All guests must obtain a receipt of payment to enter the pool area. I.D. cards are not transferable.

**Swimming Lessons:** The pool will provide instruction classes for pool members in accordance with the American Red Cross guidelines. Each level consists of 12 forty minute sessions over a three-week-period at a fee to be set by the Pool Committee for the current year. The levels offered will be Toddler, Beginners, Advanced Beginner I/II, Intermediate and Swimmer. Junior lifesaving will also be offered for an additional fee. Adult swim lessons will be offered on weekends.

**Swim Team:** To join the swim team, a parent must register and sign a permission slip for each participant. Members of eligible age may join the Clark Swim Team. See management for full details. See application for rules. Non-members will be permitted to join for an additional fee, and are only permitted to use the facility during practices and home meets.

## **SECTION 2: MEMBERSHIP**

**Family:** Includes husband and wife, Parent (s), widow or widower, and all children, including those of previous marriage, who are unmarried, living at home and who are not yet 21 years of age by Memorial Day of the membership year. Family membership does not include grandparents, nanny or babysitter

**One Parent & One Child** One parent and one child, unmarried, living at home and not yet 21 years of age by Memorial Day of the membership year.

**Individual:** Any person who is 14 years of age by Memorial Day of the membership year.

**Husband & Wife:** Couples who have no children or whose children are no longer eligible under the family plan, or whose children do not wish to belong.

**Domestic Partnership:** (As defined by Chapter 246 P.L.203) See instructions prior to signing up.

**Senior Citizen: (Residents and Non-Residents)** Any individual who is 62 years old or older by Memorial Day of the membership year. Senior Citizen membership does not include grandchildren.

**Armed Forces:** Any servicemen or women who reside in the Township of Clark may use the facility free of charge during their stay at home.

**Misc.** All memberships are valid for one season and are renewable every season. The size of the pool membership is subject to state regulations. (Maximum 1500 memberships).

Non-resident memberships will be on a first come first serve basis. Membership is non-discriminatory.

Membership applications are accepted throughout the season. (The number of guests a member can bring to the pool may be limited at the discretion of pool management). Each member will be given a receipt for the guest fees, which will be good for one day only. NO RAIN CHECKS except at times management deems mechanical or local conditions require closure of the pool.

CANCELLATIONS: A current administrative fee will be leveled on membership cancellation prior to opening day. All I.D. cards must be returned.

Any membership that is revoked by management (i.e. stealing, profanity) shall not be refunded.

**Guardianship:** Any individual with a minor child living with them under the jurisdiction of the Court. Papers from the court must be presented upon registration and must be presented every year upon renewal.

**Health Aide:** Health Aide must present proper identification at gate and must accompany individual under their care. Individual must be a paid member of the pool.

**NO FEES ARE RETURNABLE AFTER OPENING DAY OF THE POOL.**

**SECTION 3: IDENTIFICATION CARDS**

All children up to age 14 years of age must update ID pictures every two (2) years.

All members will be issued identification cards, which must be shown for admission to the pool area. Guests must be accompanied by a paid up member in good standing.

IDENTIFICATION CARDS ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE. Anyone found using a card illegally will be referred to management for possible suspension of pool privileges.

Lost cards must be reported immediately and temporary admission for one day only will be issued. Upon membership verification and payment of the current fee, a lost ID replacement card will be issued for a fee of \$15.00. Anyone not having a card will not be admitted into the pool area. I.D. cards are to be kept for subsequent years. **DO NOT DESTROY OR MISPLACE. Cards will be revalidated yearly. THERE WILL BE A \$15.00 FEE FOR LOST ID CARDS.**

**SECTION 4: OPERATIONAL RULES**

**Dressing:** All dressing and undressing will be done in designated areas, i.e. ladies or men's room.

**Pool Attire:** All bathers, including babies, must wear bathing suits in both swimming and wading pools. Babies must wear rubber pants over their diapers including swim diapers in the wading pool. No cutoffs are allowed in the pool.

**Health:** All persons using the pool must use the shower, using warm water and soap, prior to using the pool. Any person having a communicable disease, open blisters, or cuts, sore or inflamed eyes, ears, nose, mouth, throat infections, excessive sunburn, or any type of skin disease will be excluded from the pool area. No bandages will be allowed in the water. No spitting will be allowed on the pool grounds or in the water.

**CHILDREN MUST BE 3 YEARS OF AGE BY MEMORIAL DAY OF THE CURRENT YEAR TO SWIM IN THE MAIN POOL.**

Children are **REQUIRED** to be toilet trained in order to swim in the main pool.

Children under 4 years must wear rubber pants in the main pool.

Children under 4 years of age **MUST** be accompanied by a parent, or guardian in the main pool.

If they do not meet these requirements they must remain in the baby pool area or upper pavilion area at all times. Any child who turned 3 years of age by Memorial Day of the membership year will need a new ID card for the new season.

**Children & Adult Supervision:** Children under the age of 12 years of age shall not be permitted in the pool area unless accompanied by a parent, guardian, or other responsible person at all times. Only children up to 5 years of age can use the wading pool when accompanied by an adult. Each parent must be responsible for their child. All recreation equipment is used at your own risk.

**Snack Bar (Pool Parties)** If a pool member decides to hold a party on the swimming pool premises, the member must discuss this matter with the Pool Director, or Managers, so that it may be placed on the pool calendar. At the time the party is listed on the calendar, the member must pay a \$25.00 deposit that shall be fully refunded if the party premises are left in a clean condition in accordance with pool specifications. If the premises are not in a clean condition, the \$25.00 deposit shall be forfeited. The tables and designated area made available to the pool member for any such party shall be for a period of two (2) hours. The snack bar vendor shall cater their party. Parties cannot be held on Memorial Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, or Labor Day.

**\*Food & Beverages:** Food and beverages will be dispensed, consumed and refuse placed in designated areas.

**THERE SHALL BE NO DELIVERIES OF FOOD TO THE PREMISE (I.E. PIZZA, ETC.) FROM OUTSIDE SOURCES.**

Gambling and the consumption of alcoholic beverages are not permitted on the pool site. Persons under the influence of alcohol or drugs shall be refused admittance or asked to leave the pool site. No rigid plastic, glass or metal beverage containers shall be brought to the pool site.

**Safety:** All swimming and diving activities will be conducted under the supervision of lifeguards at designated areas.

In the event of an accident at the pool site, it must be reported to the Director or Manager in charge as soon as possible. Management will notify Town Hall within 24 hours.

1. Diving: Only one person at a time shall be permitted on a diving board or ladder affording access to a diving board or slide. Divers shall not dive until the previous diver has cleared the pool area below the board. Divers completing dives must immediately swim to the ladder and exit the diving tank. Running dives (or jumps) from the pool deck are prohibited. Retrieving objects from the bottom of the diving tanks, unless authorized, is prohibited.
2. No water paraphernalia, including toys, water guns, balls, rafts, inner tubes, face masks, snorkels, fins, or portable baby pools and similar items shall be allowed in the pool area except as directed by pool management.
3. Personally owned chairs, chair umbrellas, and blankets are permitted only on the grass, under covered areas and along bulk headed wall of shallow end of the pool. Large umbrellas and canopies are not allowed.
4. Ball playing will be permitted in designated areas only. No wrestling, running, roughness, rowdiness, profanity, gambling, vulgarity, loitering, and other conduct adversely affecting the comfort and safety of other, including loud radio playing and cell phone conversations is permitted on the pool site.
5. Recreational activities – The pool is not responsible for injury incurred in using pool equipment. Use of all equipment is at your own risk.
6. The Clark Pool is a **NO SMOKING FACILITY.**
7. Automobiles – No horn blowing or speed in excess of 5 MPH will be allowed. **NO PARKING IN CIRCULAR DRIVEWAY IN FRONT OF BUILDING EXCEPT AS MARKED FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES.**
8. It is understood and agreed by and between the Pool Members and the Clark Swimming Pool Utility that swimming and diving are inherently dangerous activities and that serious personal injury or death may occur. As part of the Membership Agreement, the Pool Members voluntarily assume the risk of injury and further agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Clark Swimming Pool Utility, the Township of Clark and its employees, the Staff of the Clark Swimming Pool, the members of the Clark Pool Advisory Committee, the Mayor and members of the Township Council for any injuries or death which may result by engaging in these inherently dangerous activities. Any and all injuries should be reported to the manager on duty. Medical care may be declined by completing a waiver. Failure to report an injury is the responsibility of the pool member.
9. Penalties – Any person violating any of the above regulations shall be subject to immediate ejection from the pool site, revocation of his/her membership, and possible legal prosecution. In the event a membership is revoked no refund will be issued.