

## ELKS 197 POOL RULES & REGULATIONS

The Elks provide lifeguards as a necessary and proper pool safeguard to members, families and their guests. It is, however, prudent to request that all pool participants constantly maintain their own vigilance for the safety of all. Any unsafe conditions should be immediately reported to the lifeguards or, as a final alternative, to a member of the Pool Committee. Each member will be held responsible for the conduct of his/her spouse, children and guests. For any infraction of these rules or any damage to Elk's property, the person in charge may ask the violators to leave immediately and such members may be called before the House Committee for disciplinary action.

The lifeguards have full authority to enforce rules and regulations. All persons using the pool will abide by his/her instructions. All pool personnel are required to report any person failing to abide by or repeatedly violating the rules. The Pool Committee will take appropriate actions. Following are the rules and regulations covering Elks members, families and their invited guests as adopted by the Elks Lodge.

### **Admission Requirements**

- Pool registrations will be issued only to member's spouses, dependent children under 21 years of age and full-time students living at home. Children under 3 are not required to register, but should be noted on the member's or spouse's pool registration. Pool registrations must be purchased from the Pool Committee at a cost established by the lodge and are not transferable.
- Two emergency contact numbers are required on pool registrations for children under 16.
- All registered members, guests, visiting Elks and their families must check in at the gate when entering. Registrations will be verified and all guests must pay and sign in at time of admission. Guest admissions will be limited depending on facility capacity. Guest fees are \$8.00. A special rate of \$5.00/day will be available for guests arriving after 4:00PM. Guests are allowed only when accompanied by a member or confirmed registrant.
- \*No unattended bags may be used to save a place in line, and no saving places in line for other members and/or guests. Unattended bags will be set aside. The lodge will not be responsible for unattended bags.
- Guests must be personally known to their hosts. In no event may anyone extend guest privileges to a person soliciting entry. Guests may not bring other guests to the pool.
- No children under 13 years of age shall be left at the pool at any time without supervision by an accompanying adult. If in violation after one (1) warning, the member will be asked to come before the Pool or House Committee.
- No children without transportation shall be left at the pool during threatening weather conditions.
- In addition to member Elks of Lodge #197, their dependents and guests, the following are eligible to use the pool: Elks living in the jurisdiction of Lodge #197 and having membership in another lodge will be considered the same as a guest and pay the usual fees.
- Visiting Elks and their immediate families will be permitted free use.
- Elks who are residents of the national Elks Home will be admitted free.
- Visiting out-of-town (outside a 50-mile radius) relatives of members may purchase a weekly pass for \$10.00 per person, or pay a daily fee of \$4.00, per person.
- Widows of Roanoke Elks Lodge #197 members may purchase registration for use of the pool facilities.
- Pool Parties booked by the pool manager or lodge will pay \$5.00 per person using the pool. Large group rates are also available.

### **Health and Safety**

- Please make sure your child wears shoes prior to entering the pool entrance.
- All persons intending to swim are requested to shower in our shower facility before entering the pool.
- Any person suspect of contagious diseases, open wounds or infectious conditions shall not be allowed to swim in the pool.
- The pool is not a restroom and should not be used as such.
- All persons swimming in the pool must wear a bathing suit. Cutoffs are not considered bathing suits.
- The pool access steps are to be used only by the elderly, handicapped, mothers-to-be, or anyone who is prevented from accessing the pool because of difficulty using a vertical pool ladder.
- No dogs, cats or other pets shall be allowed in the pool area or the grassy area. Guide dogs will be permitted.
- Non-swimmers are not allowed in the deep end of the pool. Pool supervisor shall establish minimum test of competency.
- All persons using the high diving board must be at least four feet in height. Any one under four feet, who wishes to use the high board, must have a parent or guardian accompany them. The parent or guardian MUST stand at the bottom of the ladder as the child climbs to the top and jumps off the board. No catching a child from the board and they must have passed the deep water test to go off the diving boards.
- Only one person is allowed on the diving board at a time. Hanging on the board and swimming in front of the board are not permitted. Only one bounce will be permitted when diving from the diving boards. No water wings or flotation devices may be used when jumping from the diving boards.

- Diving & jumping off of the boards must be straight into the center of the pool, regardless of age.
- Rafts, tubes or other equipment will not be allowed in the pool. Coast Guard approved individual flotation devices are permitted.
- Kickboards are for kicking laps in the designated lap lanes only. They are not permitted in the open swim area and they may not be used as floats for children.
- Ball playing of any kind and throwing of any pool toys is forbidden on the deck and grassy area. Foam balls are permitted in the pool.
- Members, family and guests are expected to place garbage and cigarette butts in the receptacles provided so that the pool deck and grassy area may be kept clean and attractive.
- There will be a rest period of 15 minutes every hour for all swimmers under 18 years of age. Any persons younger than 18 years of age and in the pool during rest period may be subject to disciplinary action. *A child under 3 accompanied by parent is allowed.*
- Boisterous conduct, rough tactics, running or shoving will not be tolerated and may result in suspension of pool privileges for a specified period of time.
- We encourage a friendly environment; therefore, profanity, vulgar remarks, or disrespectful comments may result in expulsion from the facility.
- No loitering is allowed on the premises, including the wooded areas surrounding the property.
- Smoking will not be allowed by anyone underage on the property or pool area.
- All children under 4 years of age or non-swimmers who cannot touch the bottom MUST be accompanied by a parent or guardian in the water.
- Warnings to swimmers by lifeguards will be escalated in the following manner: 1st Offense: Rule is explained and individual is given warning. 2nd Offense: 30-minute time out. 3rd Offense: He/she will be asked to leave for the day with report form submitted to House Committee.

#### **Food & Beverage**

- No bottles or glass containers are allowed in or around the pool enclosure or grassy area.
- Alcohol not purchased from the Lodge is strictly forbidden. Violators will have to appear before the House Committee and be subject to suspension of Lodge privileges. *There is no drinking in the pools during regular operating hours.*
- Coolers are permitted; however, they WILL be subject to inspection by pool personnel or the Pool Committee.
- Please support your lodge by purchasing food, snacks and beverages from the snack bar and the Lodge.
- Outside franchise food is strictly forbidden.
- *Tables and chairs in the pool area may not be reserved prior to the regular opening of the pool. Any attendee may not use/reserve more than two lounge chairs.*
- Lodge personnel may reserve tables if required for a special function. The Pool is available for private parties, at \$5.00 per person. Special group rates are available.

#### **Kiddy Pool Rules**

- An adult must individually supervise children in the pool. No children over 6 years of age are allowed in the kiddy pool at any time, including rest periods.
- Adults supervising children in the kiddy pool are to help enforce rules for the safety of the children and are to keep the area clean and picked up. Parents should teach and encourage their children to use our restroom facilities and not the pool.
- Diapered children must use swim diapers or rubber pants over their disposable diapers. "Non-protected" diapers are not permitted. They may be a health hazard and may clog the filters and cause costly repairs.
- No Smoking in the Kiddy Pool area.

#### **Miscellaneous**

- The breezeway phone is provided for emergencies. Please be considerate by limiting personal phone calls to three (3) minutes.
- The lodge is not responsible for any valuables lost or stolen.
- Any items found should be turned over to a pool employee.
- Members or guests parked illegally will be requested to move their vehicle immediately. Illegal parking includes no parking areas marked with signs, fire lanes and unmarked spaces. Repeated violators will have to appear before the House Committee and be subject to suspension of Lodge privileges for not more than 30 days.
- These rules are made for your protection and to increase your enjoyment of the pool and the Lodge.