

***RIDLEY TOWNSHIP SWIM CLUB***  
***RULES AND REGULATIONS – 2024***  
**APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**MARCH, 2024**

The following rules and regulations have been established for the protection and benefit of all the members of the Ridley Township Swim Club and their guests. They have been established to assure safe and sanitary operation of the club facilities. *Parents are requested to caution their children to observe these rules and regulations and to obey the instruction of the manager, lifeguards, and other pool personnel. Failure to comply with these rules may be considered cause for suspension of the pool privilege.*

***DEFINITIONS***

1. Recreation Area – Land owned by the Ridley Township Swim Club.
2. Pool Area – the fenced-in swimming area including the bathhouse.
3. Parking Area – the paved area in front of the bath house reserved for the parking of automobiles.
4. Picnic Area – fenced-in area at North end of grounds, set aside for picnics and recreation.
5. Adult – one who has reached their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday by opening day.
6. Child – one who is over 1 year old but has not reached their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday by opening day.

***SAFETY AND GENERAL RULES***

1. No one is permitted in the pool unless a lifeguard is on duty.
2. Children under 12 years old and over 10 years old may be permitted to enter the Swim Club alone if he or she can pass a test given by the manager or assistant manager. The manager or assistant manager will provide the child with certification of successful completion of the test. If they do not qualify, they must be accompanied by an adult; or qualified swimmer 15 years of age or over.
3. No glass containers may be brought into the swim club.
4. All injuries, however slight, must be reported to either the manager or assistant manager.
5. No weapons of any type are allowed on property
6. No spitting.
7. No loitering in breezeway.
8. No alcoholic beverages are permitted on the club property at any time (with the possible exception of a Board sanctioned Adult Program).

9. Persons under the influence of intoxicants will be denied access to the pool property.
10. *No smoking of any form, including vaping, is permitted on the club property except for those designated areas. Smoking is NOT permitted by teenagers at ANY TIME on or around club property.*
11. No profanity or abusive language will be tolerated by anyone and is grounds for immediate dismissal off the club property.
12. **Chairs and tables provided by the club cannot be reserved.**
13. Bicycles must be walked on the pool property and parked in the bicycle stands in the prescribed area.
14. Use of rollerblades or skateboards is prohibited within the pool area and the picnic area.
15. No lacrosse playing permitted on pool property.
16. The use of the pool apron for sun bathing is prohibited.
17. Once thunder is heard, or lightning seen, everyone must vacate the water as quickly as possible and follow staff directives for taking shelter if needed.

### ***CLEANLINESS AND HEALTH***

1. Appropriate swimwear (bathing suit) is required – i.e. no jeans or cutoffs.
2. Use toilet facilities before entering pool.
3. Persons suffering communicable illnesses, skin disease, sores, fungus infections, eye, ear, nose or throat infections are prohibited from using the pool. The pool manager will bar from the pool any person who, in his/her opinion, exhibits evidence of the above.
4. No pets are allowed on club grounds at any time.
5. Food or refreshments of any description may be consumed only in prescribed areas. No food or any description may be carried to or eaten on the pool apron.
6. *Gum and tobacco chewing is positively forbidden in or around the pool area.*
7. All trash must be deposited in the trash receptacles. Cigarettes and other inflammables must be discarded only in those receptacles so designated.
8. ***CHILDREN NOT TOILET TRAINED MUST WEAR RUBBER PANTS WHILE IN THE POOLS.***
9. *Sitting or putting your feet on the tables is strictly prohibited.*
10. *A changing area is provided in the restrooms – do not use tables for changing diapers.*
11. Member's barbecues are only allowed in the rear of the pool, a suitable distance from the basketball and volleyball courts.

### ***AUTHORITY OF STAFF***

1. The pool manager or lifeguards may at their discretion penalize or dismiss from the pool and picnic area any person who violates the rules of the club, or exhibits conduct unbecoming a lady or gentleman, or who fails to show evidence of his right to use the pool when requested, for a maximum of three days, unless extended by the Board of Directors.
2. The staff may prohibit or allow certain activities within the pool area when conditions warrant.
3. The staff may, at their discretion, declare the pool closed for health or safety reasons.
4. The staff may prohibit diving or ball throwing when, in their judgment, conditions warrant this action.
5. The manager may, at his/her discretion, declare guest privileges closed for the balance of the day.

### ***MAIN POOL***

1. No one is permitted in the pool unless a lifeguard is on duty.
2. Non-qualified swimmers are not permitted in deep water beyond the 4-foot rope line. No Swimmies permitted beyond the 4 foot rope line.
3. *No floating devices will be permitted in the main pool, except on designated float nights. Small inflatable rubber or plastic toys will be permitted in the wading pool ONLY. However, no hard, sharp, or breakable items such as buckets, shovels, skin diving equipment, etc., will be allowed in the MAIN POOL!*
4. *Swimmies are permitted only with adult supervision.*
5. No running, pushing, wrestling, dunking, rough play, etc., is permitted within the pool area. Management may prohibit ball throwing at their discretion.
6. The diving and swimming sections of the main pool shall be separated by a floating lifeline; sitting on, standing on, or pulling along the lifeline is not permitted.
7. Swimming instructions are available for a reasonable fee – see management.

### ***WADING (BABY) POOL***

1. Children in the wading pool are always the responsibility of their parents.
2. The wading pool is only under the supervision of the lifeguards during the busy hours.
3. Use of the wading pool is restricted to children under the age of 6 years

### ***DIVING BOARD***

1. All children under the age of 12 must pass swim test BEFORE using dives.
2. Children under the age of 12 must wear a swim test wristband when using dives.
3. You must be 46 inches or taller to use the high dive.
4. Wait on deck behind ladder until diver leaves the board.
5. Fulcrum wheel should be set between 1 and 5 when the dives are being used for recreational diving (medium and high dives only). Exception may apply only for skilled divers.
6. No multiple bouncing and no running off diving boards
7. Do not walk backwards toward end of board.
8. No handstands, cartwheels, or sitting on boards.
9. Do not walk back and forth on high dive.
10. Do not stand on very end of the board adjacent to ladder steps on high dive.
11. Dive directly in front of diving boards.
12. After entering the water, exit pool immediately to nearest ladder. High dive can use either ladder, but you must swim a safe distance from medium and low dives.

### ***SLIDE***

1. Children 12 years of age and under must take the deep water test in order to use the slide. Wrist bands must be visible.
2. The line will form on the deck at the bottom of the stairs.
3. Only one person is permitted on the slide at a time.
4. Do not go up the stairs until the person in front of you has hit the water.
5. Last person down the slide must be clear from the landing zone before the next person goes down the slide.
6. No diving, running, standing, kneeling, rotating, tumbling or stopping in flume.
7. No traveling head first down the slide.
8. Must keep all parts of the body within the flume.
9. Immediately exit the landing zone after your slide.
10. No one is permitted to hang on the landing zone markers.

### ***ADMISSION AND POOL HOURS***

1. Membership fees must be paid in full prior to admission to the pool
2. Pool Hours: 11:00AM to 9:30PM
3. Pool hours for special events will be posted on the bulletin board by the activities committee and the athletic committee at least 3 days before the event. You can also visit our website: [www.rtscgators.com](http://www.rtscgators.com) for special calendar events.

4. Rain checks are NOT issued after 4:00PM.

5. Pool Schedule – 2024

Saturday, May 25, 2024 – Pool Opens at 11:00AM to 8:00PM

Sunday, May 26, 2024 and Monday, May 27, 2024 – 11:00AM to 8:00PM

Tuesday, May 28, 2024 to Friday, May 31, 2024 – 4:00PM to 8:00PM

Saturday, June 1, 2024– Sunday, June 2, 2024 – 11:00AM to 8:00PM

Monday, June 3, 2024 to Friday, June 7, 2024 – 4:00PM to 8:00PM

Saturday, June 8, 2024 –Sunday, June 9, 2024 – 11:00AM to 8:00PM

Monday, June 10, 2024 - Saturday, June 15, 2024 –11:00AM to 8:00PM

Sunday, June 16, 2024 - Pool opens regular schedule 11:00AM to 9:30PM

Monday, September 2, 2024 – Pool closes at 7:00PM

**GUESTS**

1. Each family shall be allowed guest privileges.

2. Daily guest rates shall be as follows:

a. Weekdays \$10.00

b. Saturday and Sunday \$12.00

c. Holidays \$15.00

e. Kiddie Discount after 6:00PM –  
(10 years and younger) \$8.00

3. Members guilty of violating the guest regulations shall be subject to loss of all privileges.

4. *Members shall assume full responsibility for the conduct of their guests, and for any damage, breakage, or indebtedness incurred by such guests. Guests are subject to the same regulations as members.*

5. *Members are to ensure their guests know the pool rules and assume responsibility for their guests. Guests 12 years of age or older, who are **NOT** water safe, are not permitted in the 5 foot or the diving area of the pool.*

6. When sponsoring member leaves the pool, sponsored guests must also leave.

**PARKING AREA**

1. Members shall drive slowly and carefully at all times in the club parking area.

**PICNIC/RECREATIONAL AREA**

1. Members must abide by rules and regulations governing athletic activities.

2. No glass containers may be brought into the recreation area.

3. All injuries, however slight, must be reported to either the manager or assistant manager.

### ***RESPONSIBILITY***

- 1. THE CLUB WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR LOSS OF JEWELRY, VALUABLES, CLOTHING OR PROPERTY IN OR ABOUT THE POOL AREA, GROUNDS AND PARKING AREA.*
- 2. ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS, INCLUDING CHILDREN, USING THE CLUB'S FACILITIES AND PARKING AREA DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK. THE CLUB WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ACCIDENT IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH USE.*

**Any questions as to the meaning or interpretation on the rules for the use of the Ridley Township Swim Club shall be determined by the pool manager and approved by the Board of Directors and will be posted on the appropriate bulletin board at the admissions entrance of the pool.**

**Any changes in or additions to the rules for the use of Ridley Township Swim Club; may be made at any time by the pool operations, sub-committee with Board approval, and members shall be expected to abide by such changes or additions. Such changes or additions shall be posted on the appropriate bulletin board at the admissions entrance to the pool.**