



BARRINGTON



Barrington Homeowners Association, Inc. Community Pool Rules - Summer 2023

Pool Patronage

Section One: Membership

Membership in the Barrington Community Pool is limited to community residents. Community residency includes residents (owners and/or tenants) of the Barrington Homeowners Association (BHOA) who are current in their BHOA assessments, as well as temporary residents (who have been given or conveyed pool rights) and who maintain their personal residency in the Barrington neighborhood.

Homeowners whose BHOA assessments are not delinquent are in good standing and thereby eligible register for Barrington Pool access by filling out the pool waiver forms and submit a family photo to pool@barringtonva.org.

Owners may convey pool rights to tenants and/or their temporary residents. New owners moving into the Barrington neighborhood are to register by contacting the Barrington Pool Committee at pool@barringtonva.org.

Section Two: Community Pool Use

Use of the Barrington Community Pool shall be limited to the occupants of the Member's Residence. Owners and family members who are not residents of Barrington do not retain their pool use rights. Guests are allowed but must be accompanied by a Member (see Section One of Pool Patronage) at all times and must register during the check-in process.

Members must be responsible for themselves, their families, and guests. As part of pool registration, members and approved guests will accept legal and health waivers for themselves and all family members before using the pool. A copy of the waivers will be posted at the pool. All pool users must adhere to these guidelines.

Pool members must accompany their guests and shall be responsible for their guests during their entire visit at the pool. Each Member Residence is limited to a maximum of eight guests at any one time. During holiday weekends (or other periods of high use), attendance may be further limited to accommodate members. Children under age 3 do not require a guest pass.

Twenty free guest passes will be issued to each Member Residence in the pool registration system. Additional guest passes may be purchased from the guards for a fee of \$20.00 payable by check only to "Barrington HOA." Cash will NOT be accepted! Prior year guest punch passes will not be accepted, and guest passes do not carry over from season to season.

Section Three: Temporary-Residents

Temporary-residents conveyed pool rights are individuals who live in a Member Residence with the owner (or tenant) of the residence current in BHOA assessments and are conveyed pool rights. Temporary residents must live in the Member Residence during the Community Pool season for a minimum consecutive stay of six weeks during the period in which the Community Pool is open. Temporary residents shall comply with all Community Pool rules cited in this document.

Temporary-residents without pool rights are individuals who live in a Member Residence and are not conveyed pool rights and/or do not fit within the bounds as described above. If a Member Residence has a babysitter or nanny who provides full-time care (daily and/or live in), that individual may use the Barrington Community Pool. Access to the Barrington Pool is only allowed when accompanied by Member Residence children without any other privileges attached.

Section Four: Periods of Operation

The swimming season shall include the period from the Saturday prior to Memorial Day to Labor Day, both dates inclusive. Should it be decided to extend the swimming season, the community will be notified.

The Barrington Pool will open for general swimming (weather permitting) on the days and during the hours set forth below:

While the local public schools are in session:

- Monday-Friday: 4pm-8pm
- Saturday-Sunday: 11am-8pm

When local public schools conclude their regular school year, and until they return to full session:

- Monday-Sunday: 11am-8pm

The Barrington Pool will close at 6pm on July 4th and Labor Day.

The Pool Company and guards may begin clearing and cleaning unused tables, chairs, and equipment a few hours prior to closure during the last weekend (unless the pool season is extended).

Section Five: Best Health Practices

Members and guests of the Barrington Pool are expected to comply with the Virginia Health Department and CDC guidance. Please be aware this guidance may change throughout the pool season.

BHOA will continue to utilize the electronic check-in system that does not require contact. Upon entry to the pool area, lifeguards will request you to scan your electronic or physical pass to see your profile, including picture. The software used will allow records of pool attendance should that information become necessary.

The Pool Committee and Pool Manager reserve the right to deny entry if posted occupancy limits are reached.

Section Six: Pool Closures & Requests to Use the Barrington Pool

The Barrington Pool may close early, or its use may be limited, due to unforeseen or planned events. Unforeseen events include inclement weather, overcrowding, mechanical malfunction, and contamination due to fecal matter, etc. Planned events include swim meets, etc.

The process to request the use of the pool during or after normal operating hours is as follows:

- A. Approval Request:** Any community organization that serves the good of the Barrington community may request exclusive or partial use of the pool during or after normal operating hours. The request for exclusive use of the pool during or after normal operating hours must be in writing to the President of the BHOA and Pool Committee Chairperson.
- B. Approval:** The President of the BHOA and the Pool Committee Chairperson, in consultation with the Pool Committee, will approve or deny use of the pool for planned events and ensure homeowners are respectfully notified in advance of any closures during normal operating hours. Endorsed notification methods include the community entrance message board, the Pool bulletin board, the community newsletter, and special mailings.
- C. Responsibility:** Organizations using the pool for planned events **MUST:**
 - 1. Ensure that a licensed Pool Operator is present,
 - 2. Ensure the required number of lifeguards are present for the event,
 - 3. Pay for all related costs,
 - 4. Clean the pool area after the event, and
 - 5. Reimburse the Barrington Community for any damage beyond normal use.

The Pool may not be used after normal operating hours for any other purposes.

Liability

Section One: Risk

All persons using the pool do so at their own risk. The BHOA and associated Committees assume NO responsibility for any injury or accident in connection with such use or for any loss and/or damage to personal property.

Section Two: Agreement

Persons using the Pool agree not to hold the BHOA and/or associated Committees liable for any action of whatever nature occurring within the pool area.

Section Three: Acts of Others

Members are responsible for the actions of themselves, their children, and guests.

Section Four: Use After Operating Hours

No person shall use the Pool Facility (pool, enclosure, and buildings) unless it is officially open and lifeguards are on duty. Unauthorized use of the facility after hours will constitute a trespass, and violators will be prosecuted.

Section Five: Sponsored or Hosted Events

Sponsored or hosted events by groups or organizations that are authorized through the Pool Committee or BHOA assign NO liability by, from, to or through those groups or organizations.

General Rules

Section One: Pool Management

The Pool Manager and lifeguards have primary authority for the proper conduct and operation of the pool during scheduled operating hours.

- a. Generally, lifeguards are responsible for the following:
 - a. To explain and enforce rules, regulations, and policies to ensure the safety of our members.
 - b. To monitor designated areas to recognize signs of danger.
 - c. To warn swimmers regarding unsafe situations.
 - d. To maintain order in swimming areas.
- b. All entrants to the Pool Facility must be checked in by the lifeguards through the Barrington Pool online system.
- c. All persons shall obey the instructions of the lifeguards and Pool Manager.

- d. Persons must stay clear of guard stations and may not loiter at the check-in desk. Please do not sit with or talk to guards on duty.
- e. The last 10 minutes of each hour will be reserved as a PAUSE break for the pool and its patrons. The PAUSE time will allow for lap swimming/walking as well as other calm activities. The restrictions of the PAUSE break include no playing, including with balls or toys, no splashing, and no diving. The diving well and beach area will be closed for use during the hourly PAUSE time.
- f. Personal radios, tape decks, and other sound equipment are permitted, but only if used with earphones. The lifeguard may revoke the sound equipment privilege if abused.
- a. It is prohibited to videotape or photograph any patron or member of the pool during general pool hours, other than their own family members. This includes use of personal cell phones. The only exception will be for certified swim instructors videotaping for the sole purpose of swim instruction.

Section Two: Health and Sanitation

- a. Members should stay home when they are sick. Swim privileges shall be refused to all persons having colds, coughs, inflamed eyes, infections, open sores, poison ivy, or wearing bandages.
- b. Anyone who chooses to wear a mask or face covering may do so at their discretion.
- c. All persons are required to wear a bathing suit and take a shower prior to entering the pool. We urge patrons to take a shower prior to coming to the Pool Facility.
- d. Spouting of water and similar unhygienic actions are not permitted.
- e. In deference to most pool members, any person who is incontinent, or parents of children not yet toilet-trained or in swim diapers are asked to use extreme care in selecting their or their children's swimwear attire. Babies must wear cloth diapers with rubber or plastic pants over the cloth diaper or wear a swim diaper. Disposable diapers are not allowed. Anyone unclothed will not be allowed in the pool.
- f. All clothing changes (including diaper changes) must be done in the bathhouses.

Section Three: Children

- a. Supervision of children at the pool is the responsibility of a parent or responsible guardian.
- b. Children 10 and older may swim at the pool unaccompanied by a parent or responsible adult if they have guardian permission. A Barrington Pool Parent Consent form must be completed and a responsible caregiver must be available at the home phone number on the release form during the time in which a child is at the pool. Should any behavior

problems arise, this privilege will be revoked on an individual basis when and if abuses occur.

- c. All children under the age of a 10 years old must always be accompanied and supervised by a parent or responsible person at least 16 years of age.

Section Four: Food and Drink

- a. Food and drink will be allowed inside the Pool Facility. If any beverage other than water is spilled on the deck, notify a lifeguard immediately. Patrons are responsible for disposing of trash in the appropriate trash bins.
- b. Pre-packaged ice cream and refreshments will be available at various times for purchase, including approved fundraising activities and swim team meets, as authorized by the BHOA or the Pool Committee.
- c. Glass containers are NOT permitted anywhere in the Pool Facility (pool, enclosure, or buildings).

Section Five: Prohibited in Pool Area

- a. No smoking, chewing tobacco, dip, e-cigarettes, or similar product use is permitted inside the Pool Facility (pool, enclosure, and buildings).
- b. No gum will be permitted in the pool.
- c. No pets are permitted in the pool enclosure and buildings.
- d. Playpens and wheeled vehicles are NOT permitted in pool enclosure (except for wheelchairs and baby strollers).
- e. No excessive splashing, kicking, and chase/pool games.
- f. No running, pushing, or rough play will be permitted in the pool enclosure.
- g. No profane language will be permitted.
- h. No yelling or verbal abuse may be directed at lifeguards, the Pool Manager, or members. If you have SAFETY CONCERNS, please speak to the Pool Manager, and then notify the Pool Committee. All concerns will be communicated appropriately to the Pool Manager.

Section Six: Community Pool Parking Area

- a. Community Pool Parking Lot is for use during normal operational hours of the pool, during special events (i.e., swim team, Social Committee, etc.) and BHOA authorized events ONLY.

- b. The use of bicycles, skateboards, scooters, rip-sticks, etc. in the parking lot during normal hours is strictly prohibited.
- c. Bicycles will be parked in the bike rack outside the Pool adjacent to the Parking Lot.

Safety Rules

Section One: Main Pool

Observe the following rules in the Main Pool area:

- a. Dunking, splashing, snorkeling, and either standing or sitting on another's shoulders are prohibited.
- b. Somersaults, jumping in backwards, playing on pool ladders dividing ropes, or other careless actions from the pool edge are prohibited. Do not walk on the peninsula wall dividing the Main Pool from the Junior Pool swim area.
- c. Only inflatable water wings or USCG-approved life vests are allowed as flotation devices for non-swimmers. Children relying on flotation devices must be always within arm's reach of a responsible adult when in the water.
- d. Non-swimmers must be within arm's reach of a responsible adult at all times. This includes the area by the main steps.
- e. Only swim masks with tempered safety glass are permitted and only in uncrowded conditions.
- f. Lap lanes are to be used solely for lap swimming when lap swimmers are present. This will always be strictly enforced.
- g. Additional lanes may be created or cordoned in response to the needs of the Community, to accommodate swim team functions (including practice, meets, ceremonies, etc.) during normal pool operations, if approved by the Board of Directors OR the Pool Committee.
- h. Anybody who has been saved or pulled from the pool by a lifeguard is required to observe a 45-minute waiting period before entering the pool again. An incident sheet will be filled out by the lifeguard and signed by the responsible adult and a witness. A second incident will result in pool privileges being revoked for the day.
- i. No toys or projectiles are permitted to be thrown across the pool. Items that are deemed unsafe by the lifeguard staff will be asked to be removed.

Section Two: Diving Area

- a. The primary function of the diving area is for diving. If this area is not in active use for diving, then it may be used for other swimming, as deemed appropriate by the lifeguards.
- b. Diving board use is limited to persons who can swim unassisted.
- c. No swimming aids (such as water wings) will be allowed when jumping off the diving board.
- d. Nobody will be allowed in the diving well to catch or assist a diver.
- e. No inflatable devices may be used in the diving area.
- f. Goggles may not be used on the diving board.
- g. Only one person at a time is allowed on the diving board.
- h. Users must delay their dive until the entire diving well area is clear of swimmers.
- i. Consecutive bouncing, racing dives, handstands, or other dangerous actions on the diving board are prohibited.
- j. Divers must swim directly to the ladder after each use.
- k. Dives and jumps must be straight off the board towards the center of the pool (no veering to the sides).
- l. Front flips are permitted off the diving board, if done in a safe manner.
- m. Back flips and back dives inward off the diving board are prohibited.
- n. Jumping or diving off diving board with foreign objects (such as a kickboard, toy, goggles, etc.) is prohibited.
- o. The diving well will be closed for all Barrington Swim Team home meets.

Section Three: Zero Level/Beach Entry and Junior Pool Swim Areas

- a. Children not yet toilet trained are required to follow the diapering guidelines explained in Section Two: Health and Sanitation, e.
- b. All children who cannot swim should be closely monitored by a parent or responsible person, 16 years or older, in the zero level/beach entry.
- c. Pool floats and noodles are not allowed in the zero level/beach entry or the Junior Pool except for water wings or life vests.
- d. Dunking, splashing, snorkeling, and either standing or sitting on another's shoulders are prohibited.

- e. No excessive splashing, kicking, chase/pool games or jumping into pool from the pool's edge.
- f. The zero level/beach entry will be closed for all Barrington Swim Team home meets.

Section Four: Basketball

The basketball equipment is for the use of people in the water only (and can be used provided the pool is not too crowded).

- a. NO dribbling, bouncing, shooting, passing, or playing with the ball while on the deck.
- b. NO leaning over the backboard or rim or interfering with the basketball while on the deck. No basketball play from the pool deck.
- c. The basketball equipment will remain open at the lifeguard staffs' discretion.

Administration and Enforcement

Section One: General

These rules have been developed for the safe operation of the pool in the best interest of the Community. The Homeowner's Association Board of Directors have approved these rules and made them available on the Barrington website [www.barringtonva.org], and a copy is also available at the Pool.

Section Two: Communications

Safety issues are everyone's concern: Alert the lifeguards and Pool Manager immediately regarding a safety issue.

Non-Safety Issues: Comments regarding pool operations should be brought to the attention of the Pool Management Company — Crystal Aquatics. Crystal Aquatics employees are onsite to accept comments and suggestions from the Community. Member Residences may also contact Pool Committee members directly to discuss situations that arise that are not adequately addressed by Crystal Aquatics representatives.

Urgent Concerns: Members of the Pool Committee are available for Member Residences to call with urgent complaints or concerns. When you are discussing your concerns, please express those thoughts and feelings calmly. All guards, managers, and committee members should be treated with respect.

Using the proper channels for your concerns will help facilitate resolution and ensure they are responded to appropriately. Pool Committee and Board members will elevate the issues as necessary to ensure the Community's comments and concerns are duly considered.

Section Three: Suspension

Failure to comply with these rules shall be considered sufficient cause for members to be deprived of the use of the Pool. If a suspension is deemed to be warranted, the process outlined in the Barrington Declaration Section 3.1(4) will be followed. The Pool Manager has authority to remove a patron at his/her discretion for the remainder of the day while circumstances are reviewed.

Any person deliberately damaging pool furniture or pool structures or trespassing after hours will be automatically suspended for an indefinite period and criminally prosecuted.

Section Four: Pool Committee

The Pool Committee is an official committee established by the Barrington Homeowner's Association Board of Directors to implement pool operations as directed by the Board. Interested members of the Barrington Community are asked to volunteer for an entire year.

Members work together to draft operating rules, purchase equipment on budget approved by the Board, monitor and recommend maintenance efforts, and survey community regarding the quality of pool operations. The BHOA maintains liability insurance for Committee members consistent with Association bylaws.