

# 2019 POOL RULES & REGULATIONS

To ensure your safety, please obey the rules

All persons must sign in upon entering the pool. Upon arrival, member will give their family name to the lifeguard on duty. The lifeguard will check the pool member photo ID form, which stays on file at the pool, & will sign in attending members. Guests must be accompanied by pool member at ALL times.

1. Per Maryland state law, children under 12 years of age must be accompanied and supervised by a person 16 years or older. **Our Lifeguards' job is pool safety – Parents are responsible for their children's where-abouts and conduct. It is the parents' responsibility to ensure that their children understand and follow the rules.**
2. Any child under the age of 6 is not allowed in the big pool unless supervised (within arm's reach) by a person who is 16 or older.
3. Pool Members are responsible for the conduct & behavior of their guest(s).
4. Maryland State law reads that all persons must shower before entering the pool.
5. Only swimsuits allowed in pool (no cut-offs, etc.) Fabric threads & fibers can clog filters.
6. Do not swim if you have an open sore, rash, or any other irritation.
7. 15 minutes of each hour will be required rest for all swimmers under 16 years of age. They must exit the pool at this time, when the whistle blows. During this time, an adult may accompany [only] one preschool or infant child in the pool for some special quiet time. Children over 6 exiting the pool may not go in to the baby pool at this time - The baby pool is for children 6 & under.
8. All persons shall obey instructions of the lifeguards and management. The pool manager in charge has the responsibility to refuse pool privileges to anyone who has violated pool rules & regulations. Disobeying lifeguard instructions is considered a distraction, and is cause for dismissal from the pool. Please see suspension policy.
9. Running, pushing, spitting, profanity, rude behavior, rough play, and other objectionable personal conduct is prohibited. Please ask that your children show good manners and respect for the lifeguards, and for all adults at the pool.
10. Dive only where / when diving is permitted. The board will be open or closed at the discretion of the lifeguard. One person is permitted on the diving board at a time. Diver must have hands in front when diving, and only one bounce on the diving board is permitted. Diving from the side of the board or hanging from the board is prohibited. When diving from the board, the swimmer must swim directly under the rope or exit by using the ladder. Management reserves the right to restrict the use of the diving board. Diving / jumping into the well is prohibited when the board is closed.
11. ALL Children wishing to use the pool must first demonstrate to a lifeguard their ability to swim a lap length and tread water, unless under direct supervision of an adult.
12. Swimmers in water have right of way. Those entering the water must make certain that no one is in front of them.
13. Only flotation devices certified by the coast guard are allowed in the main pool, except as follows: children will be permitted to wear "water wings" or safety bubbles in the main pool as long as they are under the direct supervision (within arm's reach) of a parent or of someone at least 16 years of age. This privilege is subject to suspension by the lifeguards if the use is such that it might present a hazard to other persons in the pool. (**no blow up rafts, chairs or donuts**)
14. Noodles are prohibited, except during specially designated "Noodle nights" on M,W,F. Fins and snorkels may be used with permission from the lifeguards. Playing any game, which involves diving down to the deep end of the well and touching the main drain, is prohibited.

15. Ball playing is strictly at the discretion of the lifeguards. Games should not "take over" the low area of the pool where small children play. Only soft foam uncovered nerf type balls are permitted – no "Splash Balls". (Not red, which is sometimes used by the guards for drills)
16. Under no circumstance shall a child be left unattended in the wading pool area. Only children 6 and under are allowed to use the wading pool. No flotation devices larger than an inflatable swim ring will be permitted in the wading pool.
17. Disposable diapers are not allowed in pools. Babies must wear only "Little Swimmers" type, or cloth diapers and rubber pants. Disposable diapers can clog filters, and diaper leakage will cause long pool closings.
18. Maryland State Law requires that the pool be shut down for 16 hours due to excrement in the pool, and for a period of time to be determined by the pool operator for blood or vomit.
19. NO GLASS or hibachis allowed in pool area.
20. No alcoholic beverages may be brought into the pool area at any time.
21. No chewing gum allowed in pool area, and it is highly advised that hard candy not be brought into the pool area either. Food is permitted in the pool area, but prohibited in the pool itself.
22. Smoking is prohibited. The Glade Towne Community Pool is a non-smoking facility. You may only smoke in the designated smoking area- outside the pool up by the parking lot.
23. Please Do Not Litter! Our pool budget does not provide for our lifeguards to stay and clean up after regular hours or private pool parties. Please remind children to throw away their trash. Please use trash receptacles. Problems are created when soda cans and food left behind attract ants and bees.
24. Pool manager in accordance with Maryland State Law will decide on emergency closing due to weather. State law requires that the pool close for one hour after hearing thunder or seeing lightening.
25. The pool office and guard designated table under the canopy is designated for the use of authorized personnel only
26. The telephone is for emergency use only.
27. Pool privileges for anyone who is observed or charged with vandalizing the pool area, whether the pool is open or closed, will be suspended until an administrative hearing is held and innocence or guilt is determined. If they are judged guilty, pool privileges will be suspended for the remainder of the season or as determined by the Board of Directors. Pool Membership fees are non-refundable.
28. There is parking available in the church parking lot. As a courtesy to residents who live on Chapel Place, please do not block driveways and mailboxes.
29. Pool parties will be scheduled through the Glade Towne office not the pool manager. However, information may be obtained at both the pool and office.
30. Please call the Glade Towne manager 240-422-8858 or email office@GladetowneHOA.com with concerns, questions, or problems.
31. Please put concerns for the Glade Towne Community Association in a signed letter. Anonymous letters will not be acted upon.

# 2019 Pool Season General Information

Swim Season	May 26 to September 2 (Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day weekend)
Pool Hours	Mon/Weds/Fri 2-7pm is "noodle night" Tues/Thurs/ Sat/Sun 12-5pm (While school is in session hours will be Fri 2-7pm Sat/Sun 12-5pm)
Smoking	The Glade Towne Community Pool is a Non-Smoking facility. If you must smoke there is a receptacle over by the playground to dispose of your butts.
Guest passes	<b>Guest passes must be purchased with <u>pool member's</u> check only or money order- cash is not accepted or kept in the guardhouse.</b> Pool Member may purchase same-day guest and pre-paid passes at the welcome desk \$5 per person, per day. Children 4 and under & senior citizens (55+) are free with pool member.
Private Pool Parties	Pool parties ??? please contact the Glade Towne office at 240-422-8858 office@gladetowneHOA.com for forms and information. Pool Parties can be held during normal pool hours as well as Fri/Sat/Sun evenings. Parties must be booked no less than 14-days before party in order to schedule support staff.
Swim lessons	Our pool management company no longer offers swim lessons but there is information at the front desk on private lessons.
Floatation Devises	Only Lost & Found Please check often in the basket under the canopy; all lost & found items will be discarded on Tuesday of each week.
<b>Pool Management Company:</b>	<b>Continental Pools contact: ph 1 (301) 498-1000</b>
2019 Board of Directors:	Damon Oberdorf; President; Bob Opatovsky, Vice president; Heather Evans, treasurer; Larry Albright, Chuck Hawley, Glen Rosevear & Lucas Hale
2019 Pool Committee:	Kirk Evans, Laureen Lindblade, New committee members are always welcome
Glade Towne office phone	(240)422-8858
Pool phone	(301) 845-8188
Website	www.GladetowneHOA.com
Email	office@GladetowneHOA.com

**No Cash kept on premises**



# **Dismissal and Suspension Policy:**

For violation of Pool Rules and Regulations

When a lifeguard has to repeatedly take attention away from the pool, to discipline a pool member for unacceptable behavior, it is a distraction from pool safety. For the safety, security and comfort of all pool members, the Pool Management Company and the Glade Towne Community Association prefer to take a pro-active "3 strikes and you are out" position.

As stated in rule # 9 ...running, spitting, profanity, rude behavior, rough play and other objectionable personal conduct is prohibited, and will not be tolerated... To avoid our lifeguards' repeated distraction from pool safety, the following steps will be taken for disciplinary problems:

- I. First offense:
  1. Verbal warning from lifeguard
  2. The second verbal warning that day will be followed up with a notation of name & incidence into "disciplinary problem" log.
  3. The third distraction of the lifeguards' attention from the pool is cause for pool member to be dismissed from the pool for the remainder of the day. A letter will be sent home to parent / guardian of minor pool member, (and to the responsible pool member if dismissed person is a pool guest) to advise them of reason for dismissal.
- II. Second offense:
  1. Verbal warning from lifeguard
  2. Second verbal warning that day will be followed up by second notation of name & incidence into "disciplinary problem log".
  3. The third distraction of the lifeguards' attention from the pool, is now cause for pool member to be dismissed from the pool for 5 days. Certified letter will be sent home to parent / guardian of minor pool member, (and to the responsible pool member if dismissed person is a pool guest) to advise of this second offense, causing the 5-day suspension of pool privileges.
- III. Third offense:
  1. Verbal warning from lifeguard
  2. Second verbal warning that day will be followed up by third notation of name & incidence into "disciplinary problem log".
  3. Third and final offense is now cause for this Pool member to be suspended for the remainder of the season. Certified letter will be sent home to parent / guardian of minor pool member, (and to the responsible pool member if dismissed person is a pool guest) to advise of this third offense, causing the suspension of pool privileges for the remainder of the season. Pool Membership fees are non-refundable.
- IV. or disciplinary action at the discretion of guards on duty.

Please note:

Any arrogant or physical behavior compromising safety will result in an immediate 5-day suspension, accelerating action to step II part 3. If after the 5-day suspension there is further distracting behavior, step III will apply.

Management reserves the right for immediate / permanent dismissal for any act deemed of a criminal nature. If pool member or guest refuses to leave or to stay away from the premises as instructed by management, their presence will be deemed as trespass, and the police will be called.