

Chester Area Pool

Rules and Regulations





Introduction

The Chester Area Pool, a utility of the Borough of Chester, established the following rules and regulations to ensure the safety of our pool patrons. We aim to provide a place of continuing enjoyment for pool members. All members are responsible for reviewing and adhering to the pool rules. Pool management may suspend individuals for non-compliance. Member complaints or grievances may be referred first to the pool Manager(s) or in writing to the Chester Borough Administrator.

Contact Information

Boro Administrator: (908)879-3660 Ext. 2129

WEBSITE: www.chesterborough.org/pool

FAX: (908)879-0122

Mailing Address: CHESTER AREA POOL (CAP)
50 NORTH ROAD
CHESTER, NJ 07930

Facebook Link: www.facebook.com/ChesterAreaPool

Pool and Season Hours

Part-time Operation: weekends only Memorial Day

Weekend, (Including Monday), through the end of the school year.

Pool opens: 11:00 am

Pool Closes: 7:45pm

Grounds Close: 8:00 pm

Full-time Operation: Pool opens full time immediately following the end of the Chester School District school year through Labor Day. (If Chester School District Schools start prior to Labor Day, pool closing may be altered)

Pool opens: 11:00 am

Pool Closes: 7:45pm

Grounds Close: 8:00 pm

**Dates and times are subject to change. Closing time may be adjusted in August due to shorter daylight hours. Changes will be posted at the pool.*

Membership Info

Membership Categories

Full Family: Mother/Father/Civil Union partners and their children permanently residing at the same address. Dependents to age of 21 years (or permanently dependent adults) may be included in this membership. Full-time students up to age 25 may also be included. (Baby-sitters and live-in helpers do not qualify as family members. (Se Caregiver/Nanny).

Full single: Any person at least 18 years of age-or no less than 15 years of age with the express written consent from the parent of that minor child, in a form approved by the governing body of the Borough of Chester.

Senior: Individual 62 years/older on or before pool opening day.

New members-Initiation Fees: A non-refundable one-time initiation fee, in addition to a yearly seasonal membership fee is due upon acceptance as a member. If you drop your membership and then wish to rejoin you must pay a reinstatement fee of \$50.00. Neither the initiation fee or seasonal membership fee is transferable.

Hold status: Members may put their membership on hold for up to three consecutive seasons without losing member status. Members must inform the Borough in writing of their hold status. Any member who does not renew and does not put their membership on hold will be subject to the \$50.00 reinstatement fee.

Caregiver/Nanny: Employee or extended family member, 16 years of age or older, whose primary duties are the care and supervision of the dependents of a member family (i.e., nanny, au pair, babysitter, nurse, etc.).

A caregiver is not considered part of the family membership, but will be permitted to use the pool at an additional cost per family. The caregiver may only enter the pool complex with a member or members of the sponsoring family. If the caregiver changes during the season, a new finger scan will have to be taken.

How to apply for a membership: You can register for membership through our Capture Point registration website at <https://register.communitypass.net/chester>. Paper membership

forms are also available at 50 North Road in the Tax Collector's office. Membership payments will not be accepted at the Chester Area Pool Front Desk. If membership is at capacity, applicants will be put on a waiting list. Residents of Chester Borough and Chester Township will receive first preference. All other memberships will be available after all resident applications have been satisfied.

Renewals: Your membership is renewable annually and must be paid in full by the date shown on your billing statement. *Memberships will be considered terminated if seasonal fees are not paid by the deadline date.*

Lapse of Membership: A member wishing to reinstate a membership after a period absence with written notice will be placed at the beginning of the waiting list in chronological order upon fulfillment of all application requirements, and shall pay the seasonal membership fees of the returning season. Those whose memberships have lapsed without placing their membership on hold in writing, who would like to have their membership reinstated can do so by paying a reinstatement fee of \$50.00. Reinstatement is based on membership availability. To be placed on the wait list please contact Cathy Hammel) at (908) 879-3660 x2121. Email: collector@chesterborough.org

Comments and Concerns: All comments or concerns involving the Chester Area Pool ("CAP") complex and/or utility should be made immediately to the pool manager on duty to assure quick resolution of any problem. Comments can also be made in writing to the Borough Administrator/Clerk. Any membership privileges may be suspended or revoked for good cause, as provided by the governing body of the Borough of Chester.

Change in Membership Classification: If a Single Member wishes to change his/her membership category to Full Family, he/she must pay the difference of the Full Family and Single Seasonal Membership fee, as well as the difference in initiation fee. If a Full Family membership wants to change to a Single membership during the season there will not be a refund for the difference in the seasonal fee.

Guest Passes

Each membership is allowed five paid guests per day, or more at the pool manager's discretion, excluding holidays or special events. Guest passes are \$8.00/guest. After 5:00pm guest passes are \$5.00/guest. Guests must wear guest pass wristbands at all times when on CAP grounds.

The Pool Manager may limit guests when in his/her judgment, pool safety could be in jeopardy. Members must be present and remain with their guests and are responsible for their conduct while in the pool complex.

Rain Checks

If the pool is closed for any reason, rain checks or refunds will not be provided for guests.

Health and Safety

Supervision: All children 13 years/under must be under the supervision of an adult.

Showering: Health rules of the State of New Jersey require every person to shower before entering the pool. Swim suits or other appropriate swim wear must be worn in the showers.

Footwear: No footwear, including aqua shoes, are allowed in the pool.

Evidence of Disease: As per NJ State regulations, any person having a communicable disease, open blisters, cuts, sores, inflamed eyes, nose, ear or mouth infections, excessive sunburn, bloody noses, or any other type of skin disease or if you have evidence of a stomach virus, you will be excluded from the pool. Spitting or spouting water is prohibited.

Pets: No pets/animals will be allowed in the pool complex, except for seeing eye guides.

Lifeguards: Swimming facilities may be used only when lifeguards are on duty. Do not talk to lifeguards except in case of emergency. Do not climb on lifeguard chairs. In an emergency, notify the nearest lifeguard and follow their instructions. Leave the water promptly if requested to do so by the lifeguards. Report all injuries to the pool office immediately. Emergency procedures are posted at the pool complex.

Pool closing/limiting of facility: Management may close or limit the swimming facilities when, in their judgment, such action is deemed necessary or desirable for the protection of the health and safety of members and guests. (Example: Weather conditions, power outages, or attendance exceeding capacity per state regulations).

During thunderstorms, the pool and grounds must be cleared. A 30 minute wait is required after the last sound of thunder. The pool grounds will be closed when lightning is spotted and facility must be evacuated.

Safety rules specific to small children: The baby pool is for children 4 and under. Children using the pool must be supervised at all times. Entry gate is to be closed at all times. Any children that are not toilet trained must wear diapers/swim diapers with

rubber pants over them. These rubber pants are available at the gate for \$3.00.

Restroom Rules: Children under five or someone in need of assistance are not permitted in the restrooms/showers without an adult. Change only in contained areas. Nude showering is not permitted. No loitering. No cameras/recording devices. Shoes are encouraged.

Illness: We recommend waiting 48 hours from the time an illness ends before swimming again. This will help prevent the spread of contagious diseases.

Diaper changing may be done only in the designated areas and soiled diapers should be disposed of only in the restroom trash receptacles.

Non-swimmers are not allowed past the first rope in the main pool unless accompanied by a parent or caregiver. Non-swimming children and children with flotation devices must be within arm's reach of their parents or caregivers at all times when in the water. Children with bubbles or swim wings must stay behind the first rope at all times. No tubes are allowed in the pool.

The play structure is recommended for children 2 to 7 years old. Sand in this area may not be removed and water may not be carried to this area. Children must be supervised at all times. Please shower off the sand before going back into the pool. Do not rinse feet in the pool.

Bicycles, skates, skateboards, water guns and wagons are not permitted in the pool complex.

Ball playing, group games, or similar activities are allowed in lower recreation areas only. No horseplay (running, water fights, wrestling, etc.) is allowed in the pool complex.

Shuffleboard, volleyballs, and basketballs can be borrowed upon request

General Conduct

Please report any unsafe conditions to a Lifeguard or Manager.

Food: Members may bring in food and coolers are permitted. No eating is allowed on deck surrounding pools. You may eat in the grassy areas and the patio next to the concession stand. Glass or hard plastics are not allowed in the pool complex. Please clean up after eating and make proper use of recycling and garbage receptacles.

Finger Scanning: When entering the pool complex, all member are required to scan in.

Alcohol and Smoking: Alcoholic beverages and smoking are not permitted within the complex or parking area. No one under the influence of alcohol or drugs will be permitted within the pool complex.

Personal Items: The Chester Area Pool is not responsible for property lost due to theft or damage. No facilities for checking valuables are provided. Locker facilities are not available. Towels or clothing are not to be hung on the pool complex fence.

Recording Device (Cell Phones, Cameras, etc.): No cell phone or recording devices are permitted in the restrooms/changing area. Please be mindful of photography without others consent.

Personal Items (cont.): All video and audio devices must be used with headphones.

Gum chewing is prohibited in the pool complex.

Umbrellas which can be attached to the chair are allowed. Other umbrellas are prohibited.

No fins, floats, noodles, rafts, balls, face masks, snorkels, floatation devices, etc. are permitted.

Diving: Diving is not permitted except for supervised events such as swim meets and swim lessons.

Water Slide Protocol: Rules and regulations will be posted at the pool. Hours of operation will be posted. Children under 48" must perform the swim test to be conducted by one of the lifeguards. An

identifying wristband will be awarded to those who pass the test, and must be worn (lost wristbands will be replaced for a \$3 fee).

Ramp Safety: Ramp and handrail are for entering and exiting only. No playing or standing is allowed in this area.

Proper attire: Only bathing suits are permitted in the pool. Bathing attire must be family friendly, no thongs, "cut offs," gym trunks, boxer shorts or similar attire are allowed. All non-toilet trained children must wear swim diapers with rubber pants.

Improper behavior: Any behavior causing annoyances or disturbances is prohibited. No running is allowed on pool decking. Vandalism or destruction of property at the pool complex or designated recreational area will result in the revocation of membership, prosecution and/or forfeiture of fees. Please be mindful of public displays of affection.

Adult swims: Adult early bird swim is available at an additional charge. Adults are allowed to use the swim lanes when swim team activities are not taking place. There will be a 15-minute adult swim at 1:00 and 3:00 every day and other times as needed. This will provide kids an opportunity to use the restroom and reapply sunblock.

Swim Lanes: Children are allowed in swim lane #1 for lap swimming only.

Solicitation: No solicitation is allowed.

Internet: Wireless service is provided complimentary. Please adhere to "regulations".....

Additional Authority of the Pool Manager

The pool manager may establish additional rules as may be necessary for the safety and enjoyment of the membership. On all matters concerning safety, the lifeguards' and pool management's decision is final.

Party Information

Think of hosting a party?

See management at the guard house for information!

