

2023 Carefree Club Pool Rules

1. A Carefree Club membership card **MUST BE SCANNED** at the gate to gain entrance to the pool. You must have your membership card or driver's license/ID with you to use the pool (with the exception of a headshot stored in the pool database system. Families only require one membership card to gain access to the pool. Families are stored in the pool database as "household". Each member of the family will be required to have their photo taken for the household account. Children 11 years or younger must be accompanied by a parent/guardian while at the pool. **Anyone who forgets to bring his/her card or drivers license who does not have a headshot stored in the system will be asked to return home to get it before allowing entrance to the pool.**

2. **The Pool Committee Chair, Pool Manager, Head Guards, and Lifeguards are in charge!** The Pool Manager and lifeguards on duty will have complete responsibility for all activities at the pool and will tolerate no profanity, backtalk, etc. The Pool Manager, Head Guards, and Lifeguards may expel offenders from the pool for up to three days. The Pool Manager, Head Guards, and Lifeguards are here for the safe operation of the pool and facilities and will be supported by the Carefree Club Board of Directors. Continued offenses or more serious offenses such as refusing to follow the instructions of the Lifeguards will result in longer suspensions.

3. Pool staff will have the authority to close the pool during inclement weather. Outside air temperature, as registered on the pool thermometer that is below 70° F., thunder, heavy rain, lightning or the threat of lightning will be used as guidelines for pool closings. The pool will reopen at the discretion of the Manager/Head Guard on duty if prior to 6:00 p.m. If inclement conditions continue beyond 6:00 p.m., the pool will be closed for the day.

4. In order to maintain a healthy pool environment, prevent an *E. coli* outbreak, and prevent the shutting down of the main pool, **children who are not potty trained will be required to wear a swim diaper.**

5. There will be lifeguards on duty at the junior pool whenever possible. Whether or not a lifeguard is on duty:

- Any child using the junior pool is the responsibility of their parent or guardian. Parents or guardians must remain at the Junior Pool while their child is in the junior pool. The parent/guardian cannot be at the main pool, on the main pool deck or in the picnic area.
- Children left alone will be removed from the junior pool until the parent/guardian returns.

6. Diving from the side of the pool is only allowed in the diving well.

7. Anyone using the diving board must be able to swim unassisted to the ladder after jumping off the board. Children are not permitted to jump to someone below in the water as this can lead to injuries.

8. Only frontward/forward dives, jumps and flips are allowed on the diving board. No back dives, jumps or flips are permitted. Diving board users cannot bounce, land on the rear end then fall/dive into the pool. Everyone must jump straight off the board. Only one person on the board at a time and only one bounce is permitted.

9. Lifeguards can request a swimmer to move to a shallower area if the swimmer appears to have difficulty swimming. Lifeguards can request a swim test for anyone wanting to use the diving board or when the water depth is at the same height as a swimmer's shoulder or deeper.

10. If a swimmer requires floatation aids (water wings, life jacket, etc), they must be accompanied by a parent or guardian standing in the sidelines when using the diving board.

11. Large diameter flotation devices will be allowed at the discretion of the Manager or Assistant Manager on duty.

12. Infants and toddlers in diapers, training pants or not potty-trained must wear swim diapers while in the junior pool. Swim diapers are available for sale at the concession stand at cost.

13. Infants and toddlers should not have their diapers changed on the pool decks or chairs. Please use the restrooms. There is a changing table in the women's restroom.

13. No child over age 8 will be allowed in the junior pool, unless a lifeguard has given special permission.

14. Both pools will be cleared of children the last ten minutes of each hour for a rest period. This time will be for adult swimming only (age 18 years and older), and a lifeguard will be on duty.

15. No running is allowed on the pool decks.

16. Meals should be eaten in the picnic area only. Light snacks are allowed on the pool deck at chairs. No food is allowed on the edge of the pool and should be kept at the chairs and behind the black pool grate surrounding the pool. Meals should be eaten under the pavilions, at the patio picnic tables, or on the deck area around the picnic tables and shelters.

17. Picnic tables and shelters are first come, first served. No reservations.

18. Grills are first come, first served. During times when several families/groups need to use a grill, one grill per family/group should be used.

19. **NO GLASS containers are allowed in the picnic areas, under the shelters, on the pool decks, or in the pool.** Beverages should be in paper or plastic containers or a can. Plates and serving dishes should be metal, plastic or paper.

20. Cups with lids (tumblers with lids like Yeti's or Tervis cups) are acceptable on the side of the pool for **adults only**. No open container cups or cans will be allowed near the pool. Children should consume their beverages at their chairs as to prevent spills on the pool deck and in the pool itself.

20. No street clothes (including cut-offs) are allowed in the pool.

21. Large soft balls and certain inflatable items may be allowed in the main portion of the pool at the discretion of the guards. These items are not allowed in the diving area.

22. **The entire Carefree Club property is smoke free – this includes the parking lot.** Members and guests are to refrain from smoking while at the club property. This includes electronic cigarettes.

23. According to the White River Township Fire Department, any time the pool is open the entire fire lane in front of the pool gates and clubhouse must remain clear.