

**VICTORIA BAY HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION  
POOL RULES  
2014**

**ALL PERSONS USING THE POOL OR THE POOL AREA DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK. NO ONE IS PERMITTED IN THE POOL AREA OTHER THAN DURING POOL HOURS OF OPERATION.**

**INTRODUCTION**

The safety, health, and comfort of all members are the basic objectives of the following rules and regulations, as formed by the State Board of Health, the VB Board of Directors, Pool Manager, and the Pool Committee. The Pool Manager and the Lifeguards have authority and jurisdiction over the conduct of any person or persons and any circumstances involving the pool, subject to the approval of the Pool Committee and the VB Board of Directors. It is the duty and responsibility of all members, their children, and guests, to adhere to and encourage compliance of these rules. The VB Board of Directors, Pool Committee, and Pool Manager welcome your suggestions regarding any phase of pool operations.

Our facilities are being managed this year by:

Aquatech Pool Management Group

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**MEMBERS**

1. Homeowners within the Victoria Bay Community that are current with their Homeowner Association dues will be considered members. In the event that the homeowner is not current with their dues, their membership will be suspended until which time the dues are again current. **YOU MUST BE A HOMEOWNER OF VICTORIA BAY OR YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN THE POOL AREA.**
2. Members must present their Pool Passes to the life-guard on duty and sign the attendance sheets each time they enter the pool area. Keeping an accurate record of attendance helps the management company schedule the appropriate number of life-guards; and in turn, keeps our costs (your dues) down.

**GUESTS**

1. **ONLY** Members and their guests are permitted in the pool area. Members will be held responsible for all actions of their guests at all times. Members are responsible for his/her family and guests and may be charged for damaged property.
2. All guests must be accompanied by their inviting Member while in the pool.

3. Within reason, Members in good standing may use the pool facility for parties and other events during regular pool operating hours. You must contact AquaTech, at least two weeks prior, to notify them of your event. Visit [www.aquatechpoolmanagement.com](http://www.aquatechpoolmanagement.com) and click on the "Register For A Pool Party" link. You will be guided through the step-by-step registration process. Depending on the number of people invited to your event, there will be a cost to cover the additional life guard(s) needed to meet safety codes.

### **SCHEDULE OF OPERATION**

1. The pool will open Memorial Day weekend and close two weeks after Labor Day, and at the Association's discretion.
2. The pool area may be occupied only during operating hours. Those times are:
  - \*Monday – Friday 10:00 am to 8:30 pm
  - Saturday 10:00 am to 8:30 pm
  - Sunday 12:00 pm to 8:30 pm

\* On days when Public School is in session, the pool will be open from 4:00 pm until 8:30 pm.

### **PARKING AT THE POOL**

1. Members shall observe a 10 MPH speed limit in the driveway and parking area.
2. Unlicensed motorized vehicles are not allowed on Association property at any time.

### **CHILDREN**

1. All children, age 12 and under, are required to be accompanied at all times in the pool and pool area by his or her own parent, guardian, or a Member who will be directly responsible for them. All children are solely the responsibility of their parents. All parents and Members agree to release and indemnify the Association from any claims, losses, or liability arising out of the use of the pool by any person under 18 years of age for whom they are responsible.
2. Full-time sitters employed by homeowners for their children will be given a written permission slip stating that they are in representation of the parents. This form must be filled out by the owner and submitted to the Manager prior to the sitter's use of the pool. Dates are indicated on form.  
**Note: Lifeguards cannot be hired as sitters while on duty.**
3. Non-adult, non-swimmers shall not be permitted to use the swimming pool unless accompanied by a responsible teenager or adult who shall keep constant watch on and be responsible for the non-swimmer, especially toddlers, even in flotation devises.

4. Children ages 13-17 that have passed a swim test administered by a lifeguard, will be classified as “swimmers” and may be at the pool without being accompanied by an adult. Swim tests will only be administered on specific dates. These dates will be posted on the pool bulletin board.

### **SAFETY**

1. Safety is first and foremost. Absolutely **NO GLASS** containers of any kind are allowed in the pool area. Anyone with glass containers will be asked to leave the pool area immediately. (The Health Department will suspend or revoke an operation permit if there is broken glass inside the pool area. The pool will have to be closed, completely drained, cleaned, refilled, and the filtration media replaced. The cost for this exercise is approximately \$6,000. The member responsible for the breakage will be charged all costs incurred.)
2. **NO** running, skating/rollerblading, pushing, wrestling or other horseplay, is permitted that is unsafe or disturbs the enjoyment of the pool facilities for all.
3. **NO** towels or foreign objects (paper, cans, etc.) in the pool.
4. **NO** diving allowed.
5. Members and guests are not to engage in extended conversations with the lifeguards so as not to distract them while they are on duty.
6. There will be a lifeguard break the last 10 minutes of every hour. This rule will be enforced at the discretion of the lifeguard in charge. During this time, **only adults** may be in the pool. Non-adult, non-swimmers should refrain from sitting along the edge of the pool or playing on or around the steps in the pool corners.
7. One lane in the pool may be reserved for lap swimming by request to the lifeguard in charge.
8. The pool and the pool area must be evacuated during any electrical storm, by the direction of the on-duty Lifeguard.

During inclement weather, the following safety procedures will be followed:

- a. **Lightning:** Lightning is life threatening and waterseeking. If lightning is spotted, the pool will be closed immediately and everyone must leave the pool deck completely for 30 mins from the last lightning spotted. This includes the pool deck, clubhouse and bathrooms.
- b. **Thunder:** If thunder is heard, the pool will be closed for 30 mins. Everyone may remain on the deck but away from the water. With each thunder that is heard, the 30min clock will begin again.
- c. **Emergency:** In the event of a severe storm, tornado, hurricane or other catastrophe, the lifeguards will instruct everyone to leave the facility. You should take shelter outside the pool deck and clubhouse area.

## **HEALTH & CLEANLINESS**

1. All swimmers must shower before entering the pool.
2. Parents are to caution their children to use the toilet facilities provided at the pool area. Children in diapers will **NOT** be allowed in the pool without rubber pants over the diaper. Speedo-type swimsuits, specially made swim diapers or elastic pants are preferred.
3. Trash and recycling are to be deposited into the appropriate receptacles.
4. **NO** rocks, debris, gum or spitting will be allowed in the pool, or pool area.
5. **NO** person will be allowed in the pool while wearing street clothes. Absolutely **NO** cut-offs permitted. The wearing of Bermuda shorts, jeans, etc. is forbidden. Bathing suits only.
6. Admission to the pool will be denied to all persons having any infectious disease. Persons with excessive sunburns, open sores, bandages, inflamed eyes, colds, nasal or ear discharge or any other ailments which could adversely affect water cleanliness, and or endanger the well-being of others will **NOT** be permitted in the pool.
7. Absolutely **NO PETS** permitted in the gated pool area or tied to the pool fence.
8. **NO GRILLS (GAS OR CHARCOAL)** will be allowed in the gated pool area.
9. **SMOKING IS NOT ALLOWED IN THE POOL AREA.**

## **POOL EQUIPMENT**

1. The cost of any property damage due to negligence or abuse will be charged to the responsible resident.
2. **No** unauthorized person will be allowed near the filter room at any time. Under no circumstances are the drain lids to be removed from the bottom of the pool. **NO ONE** at any time is to play with the cleaning implements, life ring, or other apparatus.
3. Pool furniture will be not be permitted to be removed from the pool area at any time.
4. A towel must be used when lying on lounge chairs. Suntan lotion stains and ruins expensive chairs and lounges.

## **NOISE**

1. Due to the close proximity of some homes to the pool area, and so as **NOT** to interfere with other pool users, the noise level must be kept to a minimum. Battery operated radios and TV's are permitted only at low volumes.
2. **NO** abusive or objectionable language will be permitted on Association property.

## **INTOXICANTS**

Alcoholic beverages in **NON-GLASS** containers are allowed in the pool area by responsible adults over 21 years of age. Excessive consumption of alcohol is prohibited. Violators, drunk, or disorderly members will be ejected from the pool area.

## **DISCIPLINE PROCEDURES**

Remember that safety is the first priority for all Victoria Bay homeowners and guests. Pool rules and regulations are imposed to keep your pool experience family-friendly, enjoyable and safe. Residents and guests will be expected to obey lifeguards at all times. Parents are expected to supervise their children and **GO OVER ALL POOL RULES WITH** any children or guests of appropriate age.

Discipline will take one of the following forms, depending on the severity and frequency of the offense: verbal warnings, time out of the pool, parental notification and possibility of revocation of pool privileges for a day or more. Victoria Bay HOA reserves the right to revoke privileges for violations of any and all pool and clubhouse rules and policies.

Not having a copy of the rules, failure to read the rules, or not having had a responsible adult/parent/guardian discuss these rules with their child(ren) does not negate the responsibility of any Member or guest to abide by these rules. Violations of these rules may result in fines from the HOA Board and/or loss of privileges for the season. All residents are responsible for obeying these rules. Lifeguards and pool attendants are employees of the pool management company and retained by the HOA and have the right to enforce these and any other Mecklenburg County Pool Rules.