



**Southdown Country Club, Inc.
Rules & Regulations**

Following are the Rules and Regulations promulgated by the Board of Directors by the authority granted them under Article III, Section 3 of the Bylaws. These were revised and approved on May 10, 2017.

1. POOL MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY

The Pool Manager, an employee of Southdown Pool, who was hired by contract to manage the pool during the current season, is the agent of the Board of Directors (Board, hereinafter) and is in complete charge of the pool during the hours of operation and at after-hours social events and parties. As agent of the Board, the Pool Manager is responsible for enforcing the Rules and Regulations outlined herein, and is charged for authority by the Board to make on-the-spot decisions on all matters affecting health, safety, and discipline. The Pool Manager or a staff lifeguard may suspend pool privileges of any adult or child who does not comply with these Rules & Regulations. Long-term suspensions (over three days) will be reviewed by the Board at the request of the Pool Manager and/or the Operating Committee Chair.

2. POOL ADMISSION AND MEMBERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

- a. **Identification:** All Members must properly identify themselves upon entering the pool and at the request of a lifeguard or other Board member or individuals appointed by the Board.
- b. **Guests:** Members entering the pool with guests must identify the guest to a lifeguard and the appropriate fee will be collected at that time.
 - i. Guest fees are as follows:
\$10. per guest ages 11 and up
Child's Rate: \$5. per guest ages 4 to 10 Senior's
Rate: \$5. per guest 65 and up Children 3 and under
are free
 - ii. Family Rates (see also item 2cii):
\$25. per family per day (up to 4 people)
\$50. Per family per day (up to 8 people)
\$75. per family per day (up to 25 people)
- c. **Pool parties and groups of 10 or more:**
 - i. The maximum number of guests during pool hours is 25 guests;
 - ii. All parties or groups of 10 or more members and non-members *must register* with the rental coordinator three (3) days in advance for planning and staffing purposes;
 - iii. Parties including more than 10 non-members during regular pool hours will pay a \$75 rental fee;
 - iv. After-hour parties will pay Southdown Pool a rental fee of \$100, plus applicable hourly lifeguard fees to the pool management company based on the number_of guests;
 - v. Security deposits will be collected;
 - vi. All parties are limited to three hours;

- d. **Caregivers:** A member may authorize a person to bring their child/children to the pool if that person is at least 14 years of age. The member will be required to present a written request to the Board for approval. Upon approval, there will be no guest fee for this person for the year that the request was approved and the member will be granted one babysitter pass.

3. GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

- a. The cost of any property damage shall be charged to the member responsible. Damage by a guest shall be charged to the sponsoring member.
- b. No abusive, offensive or profane language will be permitted.
- c. No running, pushing, wrestling, ball playing or causing of undue disturbance in or about the pool area is permitted.
- d. No chewing of gum is permitted in the pool.
- e. No eating in the area immediately adjacent to the pool (please use provided picnic tables).
- f. Alcoholic beverages of any kind are prohibited at Southdown Pool.
- g. Smoking is not permitted in the pool, except in designated smoking area.
- h. Bicycles will be parked outside the pool in the designated rack.
- i. No skateboarding or rollerblading in the pool area.
- j. Members are responsible for cleaning up after themselves and their guests. All refuse will be placed in trash or recycling containers provided.
- k. No pets will be permitted within the pool.
- l. All chairs, chaises, and tables will be placed in such a manner as to allow free access to the bathhouse and office. All chairs, chaises, and tables, shall be folded and stored when not in use.
- m. Lifeguards clear the pool of all children for a specific period of time to permit adult (16 and older) swimming in the pool. Children will remain out of the pool until told they can return.
- n. Members will not instruct the lifeguard regarding their duties but will report problems to a Board Member of the Pool Operations Committee.
- o. Members must listen to the lifeguards on staff (no insubordinate behavior).
- p. No pushing people off of the deck into the pool.
- q. Diving Board Regulations:
 - i. Do not dive before the previous diver has cleared the area in front of the board;
 - ii. Dive forward direction only;
 - iii. No horseplay is permitted on the diving board at any time;
 - iv. Only one person may be on the diving board at a time;
 - v. Excessive bouncing on the diving board is not permitted;
 - vi. As a general rule, the diving area will not be used for casual swimming while the diving board is in use;
 - vii. No pushing of individuals on the diving board is permitted.

4. DISCIPLINE

- a. Lifeguards shall have **final and conclusive** authority to enforce all matters relating to health, safety, and discipline, and may eject or suspend any persons failing to observe these Rules or otherwise conducting themselves improperly. The guards will document any major and repeated minor infractions to the discipline log.
- b. Definitions:
 - i. **Ejection:** Any lifeguard may eject a member or guest from the pool for the remainder of the day for major infractions or repeated minor infractions.
 - ii. **Suspensions:** The Pool Manager has the authority to suspend a pool member for up to three days. All suspensions will be in consultation with the

Board of Directors within a 24-hour period.

- iii. **Expulsions:** Only the Board of Directors has the authority to expel a member beyond a three-day period. Members who are expelled *for any length of time* will not be returned any portion of their annual dues. All members subject to expulsion will have an opportunity to address a quorum of the Board of Directors.

5. HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATIONS

- a. Three short whistle blows = clear the pool immediately.
- b. Members shall not converse with the guard in the chair.
- c. All bathers must take a soap shower before entering the pool. Persons using suntan lotion will take another soap shower prior to entering the pool.
- d. NO GLASS CONTAINERS are allowed in the pool area.
- e. Spitting, spouting of water, blowing of nose, etc. are prohibited in the pool.
- f. Admission will be refused to anyone wearing bandages, or with skin abrasions; open cuts, sores, or blisters; colds; coughs; extremely inflamed eyes; infections; excessive sunburn; or with nasal or ear discharge; diarrhea; or any infectious disease that may be transmitted through water (at lifeguard's discretion). Re- admittance despite persistence of the condition is permitted only with a physician's written certification.
- g. Lifeguards have the authority to close the pool in the interest of safety or health. When the pool is closed for thunder and/or lightning, the lifeguards must wait one hour after the last incidence to reopen the pool.
- h. **Wading Pool:**
 - i. Children who are not potty trained are permitted to use the wading pool, but must wear a swim diaper.
 - ii. Only children six years of age and under may use the wading pool.
 - iii. Parents are responsible for and must attend to children under their care in the wading pool from *inside* the wading pool fence.
 - iv. Parents may use discretion to permit older siblings inside the fenced-in area.
 - v. No walkers, jumpers or strollers are permitted in the wading pool.
- i. **Children in the Main Pool:** no children under the age of 3 will be permitted in the main pool unless they are *completely* potty trained. Children are not permitted in the main pool in diapers, including swim diapers.
- j. Toys and flotation devices may be allowed in the main pool area at the discretion of the lifeguards; however, for the purpose of supporting non-swimmers, inner tubes, water wings, and all other flotation devices are not permitted at any time. For safety purposes, only a life vest approved by the United States Coast Guard is to be used. If a child uses such a life vest, a parent or guardian must accompany the child in the water at all times.
- k. Parent/Guardian must closely watch children at all times. Parent/Guardian must accompany a non-swimmer in the water at all times.
- l. Parents are cautioned not to permit over-fatigue. Lifeguards may direct a rest period if fatigue or chill is observed. This should last for no more than 15 minutes.
- m. Children under the age of 11 are not permitted to enter the pool area unless accompanied by an adult or other responsible pool member 14 years of age or older.
- n. **Children's Swim Tests:**
 - i. All children under 12 must pass a Swim Test administered by the lifeguard **each year** in order to be allowed in deep water (over three feet) without parents. Parents and/or babysitters must supervise non- swimmers around the main pool. Non-swimmers must be supervised within arms reach. Non-swimmers who want to use the diving board must have a caregiver in the water to catch them.
 - ii. Children's Swim Test shall consist of:
 - 1. Ability to swim one length of the pool (from shallow to deep) to the



satisfaction of the lifeguard;

2. Ability to tread water for one minute.

6. VOLUNTEER SERVICE

- a. Each member family is required to contribute one hour of volunteer service to the pool per calendar year. Failure to contribute one hour will result in an additional fee of \$50 per family.
 - i. For each additional hour of volunteer service, a family will receive an adult guest pass.
 - ii. When a member family reaches 40 hours of volunteer service in the calendar year, the member family will have unlimited guest privileges for the current season.

7. INACTIVE

- a. Members may, in written form, request that their yearly membership be put on temporary inactive status. If approved by the Board, the inactive status is conferred for one season. Members on inactive status may not enter the pool, even as guests of members. To maintain inactive status, the board may impose an annual fee.