

**Swimming Pool Rules and Regulations**

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The following rules and regulations are posted on the Pool House bulletin board and distributed to all Lincolnshire Civic Association members on an annual basis. The Lincolnshire Swimming Pool is a shared community resource that is funded by the residents of the Lincolnshire Housing Development. These rules are maintained on the honor system. As such, Lincolnshire residents must regulate themselves and one another politely as needed. Honoring these rules will help ensure everyone's safety.

**POOL ACCESS:** Swimmers are to access the pool between the hours of **10:00AM and 8PM, 7 days a week** throughout the swim season. The pool may only be accessed through the front door of the Pool House using a blue FOB, or a digital combination to unlock the digital electronic security lock. Once inside, please be sure the door securely shuts behind you.

All Lincolnshire Homeowners/Residents have a vested interest in swimmer safety and the proper operation and upkeep of the pool and pool house - it is a community resource. Please be a conscientious steward of your resource and clean up after yourself and kindly remind one another of the rules as needed.

Maximum capacity in the pool cannot exceed 65 swimmers or 75 people in the total Pool area. The Pool "area" includes the Pool, Pool Deck, and Pool House.

***Please watch your kids, guests, and other swimmers - not your cellphone. We must look out for one another! State regulations require 2 (two) adults to be present when the pool is in use, with at least one adult on the pool deck. No Solo Swimming.***

The Vice-President of the Lincolnshire Board supervises pool operations and use. If a Board Member or the Pool Manager is present, their authority supersedes all others. Members of the Lincolnshire Civic Association shall help maintain compliance of these rules by kindly and politely reminding other patrons if a violation is observed.

Continual disregard for Pool Rules and Regulations may be brought before the board and may result in the suspension of swimming privileges. Please be courteous and considerate.

Alcoholic beverages and all intoxicants are prohibited on Pool grounds. This is a non-smoking facility. Smoking/vaping/e-cigarettes are permitted in the parking area only. Do not enter the pool area if you are intoxicated.

- 1) **SUPERVISING ADULTS ARE IN CHARGE:** If you disagree with something that is said or occurs, please do not argue, but discuss the matter with the Association's Vice

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President or President. If these officers of the Board are not available, speak to any other Board Member (names are posted on the Pool House bulletin board).

2) **EMERGENCY SIGNAL:** The air-horn will be tested daily (each morning) with only a single blast. If you hear **multiple blasts** from the warning air-horn, this is a **signal that there is an emergency, and a swimmer needs help**. Please come quickly.

### 3) **PROHIBITED ITEMS:**

- a) Firearms, Knives, or weapons of any kind
- b) Coolers, glass containers, alcoholic drinks, drinks containing dye, (Plastic bottles of clear water are permitted)
- c) Food, gum, tobacco products
- d) Large innertubes, rafts and air mattresses
- e) Street clothes and soiled swimwear are not allowed in the water
- f) Radio, tape, CD players in the Pool, Deck or Tennis Area. Exception: Battery-operated sources of music may be used when used with headphones or earbuds
- g) Pets/animals
- h) Items that are loud or annoy other swimmers. Be courteous and considerate of others.

### 4) **REGULATED OBJECTS:**

- a) Face masks, goggles, life jackets and balls may be used at the discretion of Supervising Adult.

### 5) **PROHIBITED BEHAVIOR:**

- a) Drunk and/or disorderly behavior.
- b) Horseplay and behavior unsafe or annoying to others – always respect others
- c) Spitting, urinating, discharge of fecal matter, nose blowing in the pool, or contaminating the pool in any other manner
- d) Vulgar language, bullying, body shaming, harassment, name calling
- e) Littering
- f) Running
- g) Throwing hard or sharp objects, including throwing objects/toys into the pool for retrieval, as these can puncture the pool membrane, creating a leak.
- h) Jumping or diving backwards off the deck
- i) Diving into the shallow end of the Pool
- j) Diving off the Pool ladder
- k) Diving in such a way as to be hazardous to those in the Pool
- l) Any activity causing a nuisance
- m) Swimming or breaking into the Pool area outside the authorized hours. **This is dangerous and can lead to criminal charges of breaking and entering.**

### 6) **HEALTH PRACTICES:**

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- a) Persons with a contagious disease or a skin rash shall not swim in the pool.
- b) Bathing caps will not be required unless congestion in the filter occurs.
- c) Bathers prone to epileptic (or other type) seizures must have a swim buddy.
- d) Children wearing disposable diapers shall not swim in the pool. Specially designed swim diapers are allowed.

### 7) POOL HOURS (2024):

- a) The Pool will be open 7 days a week, **from 10:00AM to 8:00PM** –

**Quiet Swim Hour is daily from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM.** During this time, swimmers are asked to lower the noise and activity level to where others can converse at a normal tone of voice. No loud games, shouting, throwing, splashing, etc. Allow lap swimmers unimpeded lane use.

- b) Swim season typically begins on the 3rd Saturday in June and ends on Labor Day. However, the Board may choose different opening and close dates. These dates will be confirmed in a newsletter to all association members.

- c) Pool maintenance or certain environmental and weather conditions may warrant temporary closing. These conditions include unsanitary water conditions, inadequate chlorine residual or adverse weather.

### 8) ELIGIBLE SWIMMERS:

- a) Lincolnshire Homeowners – Family members under the age of 18-years-old must be accompanied by a parent or a parent's designee, (i.e., babysitter, other resident, grand-parent, etc.), over the age of 18 years.

- b) Adult children of living parents currently residing at Lincolnshire may serve as proxy for their living resident parents and use the pool with their children.

- c) Lincolnshire Homeowners may bring guests to swim. Their guests must be signed into the log and be accompanied by a member of the host family. The host family is responsible for the conduct of their guests, ensuring they are following these rules and regulations. Do not leave your guests unaccompanied at the pool.

- d) Groups other than family groups shall not be allowed to use the Pool unless approved by the Board.

### 9) PARKING:

Those able to walk to the pool are asked to do so to minimize the number of cars parking at the pool. Those needing parking are to pull onto the pool property driveway and park on the grass, (off the street), bumper toward the fence to the left of the pool house.

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The Fire Department has designated Londonderry Lane as a fire lane to allow quick access to Ivory Foster, so this must be kept clear.

### **10) VIOLATIONS:**

- a) For the safety of all swimmers, disruptive behavior in the Pool area or continual disregard for Pool Rules and Regulations will not be tolerated. Violations of the above rules and regulations should be politely addressed by members and brought to the attention of the Vice President. Maintain safety and order peacefully.
  
- b) Continued disruption, after being warned, will result in suspending a bather's swimming privileges for the day. Continued disregard for the rules and regulations can warrant the forfeiture of Pool privileges for a specified period, as determined by the Board of Directors.

### **11) OTHER:**

- a) Situations not covered herein will be handled at the discretion of the Vice-President, the President, and/or the Board (depending on the situation in question). All such incidences will be reported to the Board to determine whether the pool rules and regulations should be revised.