

# POOL RULES

## CHS AQUATICS CENTER HOURS OF OPERATION:

*Saturday & Sunday, June 1-16, 2019 from 11:30am-5:00pm*  
*Tuesday - Sunday, June 18 - August 4, 2019 from 11:30am-5:00pm*  
*CHS Aquatics Center is closed on July 4, July 26-28 and Mondays*

**All patrons must comply with the pool rules. While we hope every patron has a memorable and enjoyable experience at our pools, safety and prevention are the number one priority of the City of Gilroy Recreation Department and thus all rules will be enforced.**

1. For your safety, ALWAYS obey the pool rules and follow the directions of Lifeguards and Aquatics staff at all times. The Aquatics Staff has the authority to enforce all rules for your safety. Failure to obey staff or safety rules may result in expulsion from the facility.
2. General admittance is by current Summer Pool Pass or daily drop-in fee. Children under age 2 are free.
3. Children 10 years old and younger must be accompanied by a responsible person aged 16 or older while in the facility.
4. Children 6 years old and younger and those persons with disabilities who cannot manage for themselves must be under the immediate supervision of a responsible person aged 16 or older while in any pool or water feature. There is a maximum of two (2) non-swimmers under 6 years old to one (1) adult, parent/guardian or responsible person aged 16 or older.
5. Persons showing disrespect to others, unruly behavior, or use of inappropriate language will be asked to leave the facility.
6. All swimmers must shower before entering the pools.
7. No running on the pool deck or other paved areas of the facility.
8. No dunking, riding or standing on shoulders, rough play or throwing objects permitted in or around the pool.
9. No diving or jumping from the sides of the pool. Use the designated areas.
10. Swimmers must wear proper swimwear. Cut-off jeans, shorts, sweatpants, tank tops, undergarments, and or T-shirts are prohibited. Swim wear with exposed zippers, buckles, rivets, or metal ornamentation are not permitted.
11. Infants and children 3 years and under must wear a swim diaper AND a bathing suit or re-usable plastic diaper cover at all times while in any of the pools.
12. This is a smoke, tobacco and alcohol free facility.
13. **GUM IS PROHIBITED INSIDE THE FACILITY.**
14. Portable radios, CD players and other electronic devices may only be used with headphones.
15. Floating objects are NOT permitted in the water including water wings and inflatable toys. Coast Guard approved life-jackets are permitted in the Activity Pool only.
16. Animals are not permitted in the facility with the exception of seeing-eye or guide dogs.
17. Inappropriate touching or other public displays of affection are not permitted.
18. Please have fun, use the facility safely and at your own risk.

Pool rules are subject to change, with or without notice.

## GENERAL INFORMATION:

- No rain checks. All sales are final.
- All bags and personal belongings are subject to search upon entering the facility, for your safety.
- **GLASS BOTTLES AND GLASS CONTAINERS ARE NOT PERMITTED.**
- Outside food or drinks are permitted inside the facility as long as the food is properly stored in containers such as lunch boxes or ice-coolers no longer than 16" in width.
- The eating and drinking of food and drinks must be contained to the designated food areas.
- Pop up tents/canopies, umbrellas or personal barbecues are NOT permitted in the facility.
- Parents, please take your child to the restroom on a regular basis.

## SWIM TEST:

A swim test will be administered for children under 13 years old to swim in the green banded areas of the pool. All patrons passing the swim test will be given a green band. **The City of Gilroy Swim Test consists of swimming 25 yards with your face in the water without stopping.** Patrons 13 years and older may be asked to take the swim test if they appear to be struggling. For their safety, if they are unable to pass the swim test they will not be able to swim in the green-banded area. If someone is unwilling to take a swim test, they will not be able to swim in the green-banded areas.

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## DIVING BOARD RULES

There are two diving boards at CHS Aquatics Center. The following rules are in place to prevent head, neck and back injuries:

- No diving or jumping from the sides of the pool. Use the designated areas.
- Children under 13 years old are required to have a green wristband in order to use the diving boards.
- Only one person on the diving board at a time.
- Only one person on the ladder at a time.
- Dive only off the end of the diving board. Diving off the side of a diving board might result in striking the side of the pool.
- Do not bounce more than once on the end of a diving board to avoid missing the edge or slipping off the diving board.
- Do not run on the diving board.
- No flips or twists allowed.
- Swim away from the diving board after entering the water. Do not cross in front of the other diving board.
- For your safety, do not use goggles or ear plugs when diving off the board.

## WATERSLIDES

Please review the posted rules for the waterslides prior to use. Wristbands are required to use the waterslides. Wristbands are issued at two locations at the pool. The height requirements for the waterslides at CHS Aquatics Center are as follows:



- 48" for the large open slide and large tunnel slide (no lifejackets)
- 40" for the tunnel slide on the AquaPlay structure (no lifejackets)
- 36" for the open slide on the AquaPlay structure (Coast Guard approved approved life-jacket allowed)

Please see the Manager on Duty (MOD) if you have any questions.

## LIFEJACKETS

Only Coast Guard approved lifejackets are allowed in the Activity Pool. Swim-wear with built in lifejackets are not allowed. Lifejackets are not allowed in the competition pool as patrons must pass a swim test to swim in the competition pool. Please have a staff member inspect your lifejacket upon entry to the facility. A limited number of lifejackets are available for use while at the facility. A photo ID is required to check-out a lifejacket. Lifejackets are not allowed on the waterslides, except for the AquaPlay open slide (36" slide).

Remember: The lifeguard's duty is to prevent accidents from happening. They are responsible for the overall safety of the facility, you are responsible for your child's safety.

## APPROPRIATE SWIMMING ATTIRE

Appropriate bathing suit attire must be worn in the swimming pools at all times. Lifeguards are to enforce these rules and address any person not in compliance with this attire in their area of responsibility. If assistance is needed, ask the Manager on Duty (MOD) for help.

These types of suits are acceptable:



Street clothes, clothes made of cotton, and swim suits with a lifejacket sewn into it are not allowed in the pool. Cover-ups, tank tops, t-shirts, cut-off shorts, basketball shorts, etc. are prohibited in the water. Here are some examples of clothes not allowed in the pool (this is not an all-inclusive list):

