

# Victoria Municipal Pool Rules

## General Rules/Admission Policies

- 1. No one will be allowed in the swimming area unless the pool is officially open and lifeguards are on duty. Entry upon the pool premises when it is not open for public use is not tolerated and subject to criminal prosecution.**
- 2. Pool hours are from 1PM to 6PM Tuesday through Sunday during the summer. Private parties are from 7PM to 10PM Friday through Sunday, with two parties on Saturdays. Swimming past posted hours will not be allowed.**
- 3. Admission fees must be paid by all persons ages (1) year and older upon entry to the pool complex. Admission is \$1 per person.**
- 4. The pool management reserves the right to refuse admission to or require any person to leave the premises. Admission to the pool may be denied for any of the following reasons:**
- 5. When an individual is apparently unable to care for himself.**
- 6. Intoxication is prohibited**
- 7. Evidence of a contagious disease**
- 8. Skin disease, open sores, wounds, cuts, blisters, bandages or nasal or ear discharge, communicable disease or an individual who is wearing any kind of bandage or band-aid will not be permitted in the pool.**
- 9. Excessively brief or revealing swimsuits.**
- 10. Any condition or evidence, which, in the opinion of the pool manager, will jeopardize the health and safety of the general public.**
- 11. Anyone not toilet-trained who wishes to enter the swimming pool must wear a clean diaper covered by separate rubber/vinyl pants, all of which must fit snugly around the legs and waist. If the diaper becomes soiled, this person must leave the pool immediately, and may not return until he/she has taken or been given a soap shower and has been recovered by a new diaper with clean rubber/vinyl pants.**

- 12. Prior to entering the pool complex, and patron requiring special accommodations must inform the Pool Manager of his/her needs.**
- 13. The City of Victoria assumes no liability for injuries or damages arising from the results of participation unless due to willful or gross negligence on the part of the City. Due to the strenuous nature of some activities, the participant is advised to consult his/her physician concerning fitness to participate. All activities present certain risks and hazards which the participant assumes.**
- 14. Any injury occurring within the pool area must be reported to the pool management immediately.**
- 15. City employees are the only persons allowed in the guard room (office), filter room, mechanical room and storage room.**
- 16. Loitering will not be permitted on the pool grounds or within its facilities.**
- 17. No bikes, skateboards, or rollerblades allowed in pool area.**
- 18. Abusive or profane language will not be permitted.**
- 19. No animals or pets in the pool area.**
- 20. Leave valuables at home. The Parks and Recreation Department is not responsible for personal property or valuables at any time. Lost & Found will be disposed of weekly.**
- 21. Persons under the influence of drugs or alcohol are not allowed inside the pool area.**
- 22. No tobacco products allowed in the pool area.**
- 23. No alcohol or drugs allowed in the pool area.**
- 24. Telephone is for emergency use only.**
- 25. No glass containers of any kind in the pool area.**
- 26. All patrons are expected to conduct themselves in a safe and appropriate manner at all times. When a person's safety is jeopardized, staff has the right to take disciplinary action.**
- 27. Persons violating personal conduct regulations, written or verbal, may be subject to disciplinary action or asked to leave without a refund. In serious cases of misconduct, the Parks and Recreation Department and the Victoria Police Department will be contacted.**
- 28. Large ice chests or large coolers are not allowed inside the pool facility. Only small coolers or lunchboxes are allowed inside the pool facility. (If the cooler/ice chest can hold more than a 6 pack of sodas that is too large of a cooler/ice chest and is prohibited.)**

## **Rules for Swimmers**

- 1. Pool patrons must wear swimming suits or swimming trunks upon entry to the pool. Clothing such as cut-offs, gym shorts and underwear are not permitted as swimwear. Swimwear should not have been worn for exercising immediately prior to pool use and must be colorfast and of a lightweight material suitable for swimwear, such as Lycra, Spandex or nylon. Clean t-shirts may be worn for modesty or medical reasons but first must be sanctioned by the Pool Manager.**
- 2. Guards have the authority to enforce all pool rules. Patrons who repeatedly violate the rules may be ejected by the Pool Manager.**
- 3. Spitting, spouting of water, blowing the nose or urinating in the pool is prohibited.**
- 4. Any adult or child who is experiencing even a mild case of diarrhea may not use the pool.**
- 5. Running, boisterous or rough play, pushing acrobatics, dunking, wrestling, splashing, yelling, diving or jumping haphazardly, snapping of towels, improper conduct causing undue disturbances in or about the pool area or any acts which would endanger any patron is prohibited.**
- 6. Do not drink the pool water.**
- 7. Non-swimmers must remain in shallow water (chest deep or less).**
- 8. Do not play or hang on the ropes.**
- 9. Toys, balls, inner tubes, inflated boats and rafts are not permitted in the main pool. Only small toys may be allowed in the Kiddie Pool at the Manager's discretion.**
- 10. No flotation devices in the deep end, i.e. life jackets or "floaties".**
- 11. The ability to swim is required to use the slide.**
- 12. NO DIVING IN WATER LESS THAN 6 FEET.**
- 13. Divers have priority use of the deep end.**
- 14. No hazardous diving, i.e. the person in front of you must be all the way to the side and you must jump straight off; parents may not be in the water to catch children.**

## **Slide Rules**

- 1. Patrons must be 42 inches tall to use the slide.**
- 2. Only one person on the slide at a time.**
- 3. Wait for lifeguard signal before going down the slide. Clear the pool immediately after the ride.**
- 4. Enter and exit the slide feet first. Keep hands inside slide. Stopping, turning, standing, kneeling, and crawling on the slide is not allowed.**
- 5. Metal and/or plastic objects, including keys and jewelry, are not allowed while using the slide.**

## **Pool Guidelines**

**The Victoria Parks & Recreation Department reserves the right to close the pool due to inclement weather, low attendance or water quality conditions. The pool will close if any of the following conditions are present:**

- Inclement weather, including strong rain, lightning, thunder, tornado, etc. Refunds will not be given for inclement weather. During storms, the pool will be closed and the entire area cleared of patrons at the discretion of the Pool Manager. Due to the limited cover, patrons are encouraged to go home. Others must remain within the shelter of the bathhouse or their car. The pool will normally open 15 minutes after the storm has passed.**
- Posted special events**
- Health and safety of the general public is endangered**
- Pool repairs.**

**The following procedures will be taken when the Pool Manager decides to close the pool:**

- 1. Repeated announcements will be made as to the time the pool will close.**
- 2. A sign indicating the pool will be closing early will be placed at the entrance.**

**3. Cashiers will notify patrons of the early closing time as they enter the facility.**

**Refunds will not be issued for daily admission.**