

Kingston Chase Pool Rules & Regulations For the 2024 Season

Any person who permanently resides in Kingston Chase may use the pool provided the homeowner dues for that lot have been paid, there is no Board judgment against the lot, and a current picture is on file. **The payment of dues will NOT be accepted at the pool.** Renters with written authorization on file are treated as owners, provided dues are paid and owners are not using pool privileges. Swim team members will not be permitted to practice or swim until homeowner dues have been paid.

CASH WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AT THE POOL. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A PICTURE ON FILE, YOU MUST USE A GUEST PASS TO BE PERMITTED ENTRY TO THE POOL AREA.

KCHOA Residents

- Must be 14 years of age or older to supervise children 11 years of age or younger (who have not passed the swim test).
- Must remain within 20 feet of any child who has not passed the established swim test and shall be considered the child's primary supervisor.

Non-Resident Children of Resident Parents

- Non-Resident children (under 18) living outside Kingston Chase who come for overnight visits with parents or grandparents are considered members while staying with their resident parent(s) / grandparents.
- Non-resident children over 18 must have a guest pass and must be accompanied by the resident when using the pool.

Au Pairs and exchange students

- Au Pairs and exchange students shall be treated as permanent residents provided their legal address is the same as the homeowner, homeowner dues are paid, and a current picture is on file.

KCHOA Non-Resident Baby-Sitters Watching Resident Children

- Must be 14 years of age or older.
- You must pay a guest fee. Homeowners may submit a picture of full-time sitters – one additional per lot
- May not bring guests to the pool.
- They may only use the pool with the children they are watching.
- Must stay in the water with any child that has not passed the established swim test. (See rule #27.)

KCHOA Resident Baby-Sitters Watching Non-resident Children

- Must be 14 years of age or older.
- Must pay a guest fee per non-resident child. (Except for children two and under.)
- Must stay in the water with any child that has not passed the established swim test. (See rule #27.)

Pool Passes / Guest Fees

- There will be a \$5.00 per day charge for guests. Children age two and under and adults over 65 are free.
- Checks only – **NO CASH** accepted at the pool. Pool passes do not expire at the end of the season.
- On-line purchase provides discounts. Five passes for \$20 and 50 passes for \$150 from the KCHOA website, redeemable electronically at the pool.
- A Kingston Chase member of at least 14 years of age must always remain at the pool with their guest(s).

Pool Toys

- Toys for children of various ages are available at the pool and are to remain in the wading pool area. Donations are welcome – no small parts, please. Please follow the pool float guidelines posted at the pool.

Lost and Found

- Due to the overflow of lost and found items, items will be held for one month and then donated or discarded.

Baby Changing

- Baby Changing tables are provided in the men's and women's restrooms - PLEASE USE THEM.

Emergency Closings

- Vomit or fecal contamination in the pool will result in the pool closing for the time specified by the Fairfax County health code. See health code posting.
- In the case of lightning or thunder, the pool WILL be closed at the on-duty manager's confirmation as required by Fairfax Code and pool company procedures. The times will be posted in the pool office.

Pool Parties

- Pool parties are encouraged as long as the number of attendees is kept to reasonable numbers. To help accomplish this, please **reserve at least one week in advance**. This will also help us ensure we have the appropriate number of guards on duty. Guest rules are in effect - therefore, all non-residents must pay guest fees. At least 75% of the attendees must be residents, and one adult resident may bring in up to five guests per lot. Therefore, additional resident adults must be present if additional guests are anticipated. A party is considered a group of over ten persons. There may not be more than three parties in a day, and tables should be reserved at the time of reservation. First come, first served.

The following are the stated rules and regulations for the pool:

1. Drivers drive slowly in the parking lot. Parents, watch your children. Everyone - watch for backing cars.
2. All bikes must be parked in the designated area - by the bike rack. Do not lean them up against the building or leave them on the sidewalk.
3. No overnight parking is permitted without prior permission.
4. Two accessible parking spaces are reserved for those with valid state-issued handicap parking permits only.
5. No person is allowed in the pool unless a lifeguard is on duty.
6. No loud, abusive, or profane language or breach of good behavior will be tolerated.
7. No intoxicated persons shall be allowed in the pool area.
8. The pool property is a smoke, tobacco, and drug-free area. No smoking or vaping is permitted on the pool property, including parking lots.
9. Eating and drinking are allowed within the designated areas only, except for water in non-glass containers.
10. There shall be no glass containers permitted in the pool enclosure.
11. No pets are allowed except after the pool closes for human use after the season.
12. All swimmers must take a shower before entering the pool.
13. The member responsible will pay for any damage to pool equipment or the premises. If the damage is determined to be deliberate by the Board of Directors, the Pool Committee/Board can suspend the member's use of the pool. (Remember that since property owners are members, their children, and guests are their responsibility.)
14. Any person with infectious diseases, sores, inflamed eyes, colds, nasal discharges, or any other contagious illness will not be permitted inside the pool area.
15. Any incontinent person or person not toilet trained must wear SWIM DIAPERS WITH TIGHT RUBBER PANTS.
16. Children 5 years and under are permitted in the main pool during the safety break if accompanied by a designated supervisor.
17. Children 5 years and under are allowed in the baby pool ONLY when accompanied by a parent or guardian (14 years and older) at all times. Guards do not monitor the baby pool, children are the parents' or guardians' responsibility, and a parent must accompany them. No horseplay is allowed in the baby pool enclosure.
18. Any misuse of the shower area, including loitering, will result in expulsion from the pool.
19. When the pool is closed for any reason, staff members are the only people allowed to stay in the enclosed pool area or bathhouse.
20. The pool enclosure will allow no flotation device over 26" in any dimension.
21. Two lap lanes are provided for patrons to swim laps. Please use these lanes only for swimming laps. Please do not swim over or hang on the lap lanes. Be aware of swimmers in lanes before crossing – look both ways before crossing.
22. Games may be allowed in the diving area at the discretion of the guard or manager on duty.
23. There will be a 15-minute safety break at the end of every hour, during which parents or guardians shall ensure that anyone under their supervision less than 14 years old is resting out of the water. Anyone under the age of 14 shall be required to exit the pool to allow lifeguards to ensure rules are being followed. (Except as stated in Rule #18.)
24. Inappropriate use of any pool toys will cause them to be confiscated by the lifeguard or manager. Squirt guns - NOT WATER CANNONS - will be allowed in the pool.
25. KCHOA children who have had their 9th birthday may come to the pool without adult supervision. PROVIDED THEY PASS A BASIC SWIM TEST. [The test consists of swimming 25 meters freestyle [1 length of the pool] and treading water for 1 minute].
26. The lifeguards are the authorities in charge of providing a safe environment. Patrons shall obey any instructions provided by the guards immediately without question. Failure to follow instructions may result in disciplinary action, including expulsion from the pool.

Table of Consequences / Suspensions

Any violation of the above rules, including failure to pay attention to a guard's instruction, can result in the suspension of pool privileges for any member, family member, or guest for the length of time identified below:

- A guard shall determine the extent of suspension, from a few minutes up to the remainder of the day, and, if necessary, make recommendations for more extended periods. The pool manager on duty shall confirm and document any suspensions recommended exceeding one day.
- Any subsequent violation resulting in a suspension of more than one day by a member, family member, or guest shall result in immediate suspension of pool use until the pool committee has reviewed the violation.
- At the discretion of the pool committee, an issue may be elevated to the Board of Directors to review the event and render a decision at the next scheduled board meeting, resulting in a significantly longer suspension. Suspensions may last up to 60 days.
- Any egregious activity or threats made to any guard shall result in immediate expulsion. They may warrant calling 911 and filing charges, including assault, trespassing, or include a restraining order against a member or guest.