



The Town of Plympton-Wyoming

Policies and Procedures No.:	Effective Date:
Department: Parks and Recreation	For: The Wyoming Pool

Code of Conduct Policy

Preamble:

The Town of Plympton-Wyoming promotes proper conduct in the use of any of its public recreational facilities. The Policy outlined is intended to promote appropriate, respectful behavior, specifically at the Wyoming Pool. The Town strongly believes that all individuals using the pool should lead by example and provide a healthy and happy environment for all who choose to use the pool facility.

1.0 Policy Statement

In an effort to make the Wyoming Pool a safe and desirable environment for all patrons, staff members, and the general public, this Policy implements a Code of Conduct for anyone who is using the Wyoming Pool facility in any capacity. The Policy is deliberate in requiring all parents of swimmers, spectators of lessons, and patrons who are using the pool facility in any manner to maintain a positive and encouraging atmosphere and to eliminate any disruptive or abusive conduct during swimming lessons, open swims, or any other program the pool may offer. This also includes following and abiding by all pool rules clearly outlined by the staff members and accompanying signage around the pool.

The Town of Plympton-Wyoming expects everyone who is using the Wyoming Pool to conduct themselves appropriately and with respect for others and abide by the contents of this Policy.

2.0 Code of Conduct Policy Agreement

Any individual failing to comply with this Code of Conduct Policy will be asked to leave the premises of the pool. Once it has been deemed that the individual or individuals may re-enter the pool they must fill out an official Code of Conduct Policy Agreement form which highlights how they shall behave. (Appendix "A")

3.0 Unacceptable Behaviour

Unacceptable behavior shall include but not be limited to:

- The deliberate objection to following any of the pool rules or refusing to follow any rules when asked to do so;
- Willfully damaging the Wyoming Pool property and/or any equipment the pool may provide or have on deck;

- Not following or agreeing to pool entrance rules. (Wristband policy is up to the discretion of the lifeguards on duty, their decision is final and must be followed)
- Polluting the water in the pool in any manner such as any spitting, spouting of water and blowing the nose in or on the pool deck;
- Physical violence or threats of physical violence;
- The use of obscene, vulgar, or threatening language or gestures in any manner to anyone at any time;

4.0 Pool Rules

Pool rules must be followed at all times. They are there to protect the safety of those using the pool and are standard regulation. No exceptions to the rules will be made.

Basic Rules:

1. Absolutely **NO** running on the pool deck or in the building.
2. No horse play or fighting in or around the pool.
3. Everyone must shower before entering the pool.
4. No one with communicable diseases or open sores is permitted to enter the pool.
5. All children 6 and under **MUST** have an adult within arm's reach at all times.
6. Every child 11 and under must be accompanied by an adult who will be present to supervise them.
7. No food or drinks are allowed around the pool deck or in the pool.
8. There is no smoking permitted anywhere around the pool or the surrounding park.

Diving Board Rules:

1. Only one person on the board at a time.
2. No backflips.
3. Individuals must enter the pool from the end of the board not the side.
4. No running on the board.

Entrance Rules:

1. Children 6 years old or younger will be provided with a red wrist band and must be accompanied by an adult, caregiver or custodial parent designate at all times. (Adults can be anyone who is 12 or older and is a confident swimmer). These children must be within arm's reach of the adult at all times.
2. Children who are between 7 and 11 must complete a swim test to swim on their own in the pool. The child must swim the width of the pool and back without touching the bottom, struggling, or taking a break. The lifeguards on duty will complete these tests and determine if they have passed or failed. (Decisions are final and must be followed).
 - Children who fail the test will be given a yellow wrist band and are able to swim on their own in the shallow end and can only enter the deep-end when wearing a lifejacket.
 - Children who pass the test will be given a green wrist band and will be free to swim anywhere in the pool on their own.

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1. I will do my best to properly follow all rules and guidelines outlined by this policy and the ones explained to me by the pool staff.
2. I will behave in a respectful and positive manner that will not cause harm to any other patrons or staff members.
3. I acknowledge that my previous conduct was inappropriate and went against the code of conduct for individuals choosing to use the Wyoming pool facility. I sincerely apologize for any harm or damages caused by my behaviour and agree to behave appropriately from now on.
4. I understand that if my behaviour does not change and I do not follow the guidelines outlined within this policy it will result in my permanent suspension from the pool for the remainder of the summer.

I have read and fully understand the complete Code of Conduct Policy. By signing this document I am agreeing to follow the above conditions while using the Wyoming Pool and I understand any and all of the consequences that may result in my failing to do so.

Name of Individual

Signature of Individual

Date

For those under the age of 18:

Name of parent/guardian

Signature of parent/guardian

Date