

# **ANCHORAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION POOL RULES FOR SUMMER 2025**

**Pool Management  
by Anchor Aquatics 410.956.0744**

**The pool Phone Number is 410.263.8027  
Pool Address 1156 Mainsail Drive    Annapolis, MD 21403**

**ANCHORAGE POOL HOURS  
May 24th-September 1st  
11 AM TO 8 PM Saturday-Thursday  
11 am to 9 pm Friday**

If, for some reason, there is no lifeguard present at the pool during the  
above times, please contact Pattie Oldak at 443.254.5820

If she is not available, you may contact  
Anchor Aquatics  
at 410.956.0744.

*Pattie Oldak, Pool Committee Chairman  
For the Board, Dave Voorhees, President*

# 2025 SUMMER POOL RULES

## Swimming Pool Policies, Rules, and Regulations

The Anchorage Community Association Swimming Pool is a privately owned recreation entity, entirely funded by annual dues assessments paid by members. The ACHOA Board of Directors administers the Pool Rules and Regulations. Day-to-day management of the pool is the responsibility of Anchor Aquatics, the Pool Management Company. **Membership and pool use is a privilege extended to Anchorage Homeowners whose annual dues are current and paid in full.** The swimming pool is for the recreational use of resident members in good standing of the Anchorage Community Association and their guests. Members understand and agree to abide by the rules and regulations governing the safe and lawful operation of the swimming pool and assume responsibility for all dependent minors and/or guests using the pool facilities.

Rules may be changed with the approval of the ACHOA Board, Anchorage Community Homeowners' Association, when deemed necessary for safety purposes. **Situations not covered by these rules will be resolved by the lifeguard on duty, the Pool Committee, and/or the ACA Board of Directors.**

The lifeguards, the Pool Management Company, the Pool Committee, and the Board of Directors are all committed to the safe and enjoyable operation of the pool facilities. These rules have been developed to support that goal. Your cooperation is expected and appreciated.

**The lifeguard is in complete charge of the pool area and has the authority to enforce any limitations that he/she considers necessary to provide adequate safety, including weather-related safety issues.** Rule infractions or other offensive behavior should be reported promptly to the lifeguard(s). The Board of Directors will support lifeguard actions in response to rule infractions or other offensive behavior, including disciplinary action. Please observe and help enforce these rules for everyone's enjoyment and safety.

**ULTIMATELY, THE PARENT or ATTENDING ADULT IS ALWAYS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY OF THEIR CHILDREN.**

# **ANCHOR AQUATICS SWIM TESTS & AGE GUIDELINES**

All swimmers are required to take the swim test.

## **NON-SWIMMERS**

- A non-swimmer is anyone under the age of 16 who is not able to pass the Swim test.
- Non-swimmers may not come to the pool without adult supervision.
- When using the pool, the guardian must be engaged and within arm's reach of their non-swimmer.
- Non-swimmers who are not adequately supervised by a responsible adult will be asked to exit the water for the safety of the non-swimmer.

## **SWIM TESTS**

- Swim one long length of the pool un-aided.
- Tread water for one (1) minute in the deep end of the pool un-aided.
- Anchor Aquatics will supply wristbands to members and guests who pass the swim test.
- The wristband should be worn with every pool visit.
- A swim test log is kept in the guard office with the test date, swimmer name, and guard name.
- Swimmers will have to re-take the swim test if the wristband is forgotten. A temporary or replacement band will be supplied as appropriate.

## **AGE RESTRICTIONS/COMING TO THE POOL ALONE**

- **Children under 11** must be accompanied by an adult.
- **Age 11-15** must pass the swim test to come to the pool unsupervised.
- An adult is a responsible person **aged 16 or older**

# Pool Rules

1. **THE LIFEGUARD MUST BE ON DUTY** before anyone is allowed in the pool enclosure.
2. All Annual Assessments must be paid in full before using the pool.
3. The ACHOA (Anchorage Community HOA) will not be responsible for any money or property loss sustained by members or their guests when using the pool.
4. Members are requested to instruct their children and guests' children in personal hygiene (e.g., instruct them to use the restroom facilities in the clubhouse). A brief shower is recommended before entering the pool. The Pool Lifeguard has the authority to restrict people from the pool deck area if, at his/her discretion, or the health and safety of the members are endangered. The pool will remain vacated until the condition is corrected.
5. All members and their guests are required to sign in upon entering the pool facilities.

Anne Arundel County ordinance requires such a log. Failure to do so will result in the pool closing.

**Resident members are responsible for their guests. If there are non-family guests, a resident adult must remain in the pool enclosure for the duration of their visit. The host resident is responsible for all cleanup and trash removal necessary to restore the pool area to its original condition.**

6. **All children three (3) years of age and younger and ANY child not potty trained must wear a swim diaper and a bathing suit to swim in either of the pools. Regular diapers are not allowed.**
7. The wading pool is for children 6 and under. All children in the wading pool must be supervised by a parent or another person over the age of 16 within the wading pool enclosure. Adults must always accompany toddlers in the wading pool.  
**NO CHILD CAN BE LEFT UNATTENDED AT ANY TIME.**
8. The Anchorage Pool office is for Anchor Aquatics personnel and staff, the pool committee, and board members only.
9. At no time are any children to leave the pool area and go to the marina unless in the company of their adult family members.

10. Accidents should be reported to the Lifeguard immediately so that a report can be filled out.
11. Community residents with rental housing arrangements and guests of resident members should consult with the Pool Committee regarding pool privileges.
12. Only people wearing proper swimming attire will be allowed in the pool water.  
**Street clothing is NOT allowed in place of a swimsuit.**
13. Noodles and kickboards are allowed in the pool. Large rafts or flotation devices shall be allowed in the pool at the discretion of the lifeguard.
14. For purposes of these rules, a “swimmer” is a child who has passed the Anchor Aquatics swim test and who is wearing a wristband. A “non-swimmer” is a child who has not passed the swim test. “Adults” are individuals aged 16 years and older. In the context of these rules, an adult is assumed to be a swimmer. If this is not so, please inform the lifeguard and do not take on the role of attending adult.
  - Swimmers under age 9 and non-swimmers aged 15 and younger must be signed in by a resident adult who must remain at the pool enclosure for the duration of their visit.
  - Resident swimmers aged 10-15, with lifeguard discretion and approval, may come and remain in the pool area without an attending adult.
  - **However, an adult in the resident family must stay in the community and be reachable by phone while their children remain at the pool.**
15. Food and beverages may be brought to the pool. All trash must be placed in the trash containers and recycling bins provided. Grills are provided for your use. Please maintain them after use. Resident members and their guests are responsible for cleaning up after themselves.
16. A 15-minute adult swim will be called by the lifeguards each hour, except for the first and last hour of the day. Child Rest Periods allow children to take a break from swimming to prevent exhaustion and allow the lifeguard staff to check pool equipment and test water quality. During Child Rest Periods, no person under the age of 16 is allowed in the main pool.
17. **LAP SWIMMING.** At the specific request of adult resident members and the lifeguard's discretion, a lane of the pool will be made available for swimming laps during weekday evening hours.

**DIVING BOARD RULES:**

- Only one person is allowed on the diving board at a time.
- Divers must dive directly straight off the board.
- Divers in line must wait until the diver in the water has reached the ladder before stepping onto the board.
- Any time the diving board is in use, the diving area in the pool must be cleared of all people other than the diver.
- No general swimming in the diving area of any kind is permitted when someone is using the diving board.
- Diving is only allowed in water 5+ feet and only in the designated diving area. The diving area is primarily for diving but can be used for casual swimming/games if no one is diving. However, any member wanting to dive has priority in the deep end of the pool.

**The following items and activities are prohibited:**

**NO GLASS of any kind is permitted in the pool enclosure, including but not limited to beverage containers, wine bottles, beer bottles, alcohol bottles, drinking glasses of any kind.**

- No animals or pets.
- No Smoking or vaping devices are permitted anywhere inside the fenced pool area.
- Any person having a skin disease, sore or inflamed eyes, cold, nasal or ear discharge, communicable disease, or who is wearing any kind of bandage or Band-Aid to cover an open (unhealed) wound will not be permitted in the pool.
- Spitting, spouting from the mouth towards another person, blowing the nose in the pool, etc., while in the pool is prohibited.
- Consumption of alcoholic beverages by underage persons and the use of illegal drugs, or narcotic substances is prohibited on or about the pool property and shall be grounds for immediate termination of pool privileges.
- Bicycles should be kept in the bike rack in the parking lot.
- The use of all skateboards, roller blades, and scooters is prohibited within the pool premises and on the steps leading up to the pool area.
- No RUNNING is allowed in or around the pool area.

## Disciplinary Procedures

The lifeguards, the Pool Management Company, the Pool Committee, and the Board of Directors are all committed to the safe and enjoyable operation of the pool facilities. Rule infractions or other offensive behavior should be reported promptly to the lifeguards. The following disciplinary actions will be taken in response to rule infractions or other offensive behavior:

First Offense: - The lifeguard will give a verbal warning.

Second Offense: The lifeguard will ask the person to sit out for 10 minutes.

Third Offense: The lifeguard will ask the person to leave the pool for the day. This will be documented and sent by letter to the resident family from the Pool Committee Chairperson.

Fourth Offense: (Upon returning to the pool) out of the pool for a week. The lifeguard will document the same information as above, and suspension of pool use will be for seven days.

Additional offenses: Suspension of pool use for the remainder of the season documented by a letter from the Board of Directors.

***All warnings will be documented except the 1st Offense, which will result in a verbal warning.***



## **Private Parties**

**There is a \$50.00 charge, either cash or check, payable to the Anchorage Community Association, regardless of what time the private event is held.**

To request a private party application, contact  
Pattie Oldak, the Pool Chairman. 443.254.5820  
1101 Mainsail Dr.

For parties scheduled during normal pool hours, 11:00 am -8:00 pm, the guard fees are \$30.00 per hour/per additional guard from the time of the event until the event ends, payable to "Anchor Aquatics, Inc."

For parties outside of scheduled pool hours, there is a \$90.00 Non-Refundable Application Fee payable to "Anchor Aquatics Inc." (This fee is waived for community-sponsored events where the event is open to the general membership)

Guard fees after hours: \$34.00 per hour/per guard from the time the staff is on duty until the time they leave the pool area – payable to guard staff upon completion of the event. If guards are not paid upon completion of the event and/or Anchor Aquatics makes payment to guards for party hours, the rate will be \$40.00 per hour/per guard, and payment will be due upon receipt of invoice from Anchor Aquatics.

**After-hours parties must end by 11:00 pm. The host resident is responsible for all cleanup and trash pickup necessary to restore the pool area to its original condition.**

The lifeguard is required to remain at the pool until all individuals are gone.

Minimum Guard ratios are 1 guard per 30 guests.

Anchorage Pool Committee  
Pattie Oldak 443.254.5820 (cell)  
410.268.0162 ( home)