

Thomasville YMCA Pool Rules

Pool Policies (Policies are set for the safety of our members.)

1. The Aquatics Director and lifeguards are responsible for the enforcement of all pool rules and policies.
2. Ages 17 & under must take a swim test before entering the competition pool.
3. All non-swimmers 17 & under must be accompanied by an adult member in the pool area.
4. All children 8 and under (swimmers and non-swimmers) must be **supervised** by an adult member in the pool area.
5. Others 11 years old and under must be accompanied by an adult member on the premises.
6. Report all accidents to a lifeguard or facility supervisor immediately.
7. Children **2** years old and under who enter the pool area must wear an approved leak proof suit. These reusable suits may be purchased at the YMCA for \$12. ("Swimmies", Diapers, and other unapproved suits are not allowed as a substitute.) **Accidents will close the pools for eight hours.**
8. Children 4 years old and under must have one adult for every six children. The youngest child of the group will determine the ratio. (1:6)
9. Children 5-8 years old and under must have one adult for every eight children. The youngest child of the group will determine the ratio. (1:8)
10. Disciplinary actions: **1st Expulsion** is 3 pool days, **2nd Expulsion** is 1 pool week, and **3rd Expulsion** is for the remainder of the pool season. The YMCA reserves the right to assess disciplinary action as it deems necessary to make our pools safe and clean for members and their families.

General Pool Rules

1. No swimming without a lifeguard on duty.
2. No running.
3. No horseplay, profanity, tobacco, alcoholic beverages, or illegal drugs. No pets.
4. Non swimmers are never allowed in the competition pool area.
5. No diving in shallow end of pools.
6. No swimming in the diving/slide areas.
7. Shower before entering the pools.
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9. No baby bottles or food allowed near or in the pools.
10. Always wear proper swim attire. **Street clothes such as blue jeans, sports bras, leggings, or any kind of loose, baggy clothing is prohibited. Tank tops, t-shirts, and gym shorts are allowed, but must be worn over a swim suit.**
11. Glass is prohibited in pool area.
13. Flotation devices must first be approved by the lifeguards.
14. No climbing or sitting on lifeguard towers.
15. Violation of any of these rules, or others considered to be inappropriate will result in disciplinary actions.

Slide Rules

1. No horseplay on/near slides.
2. One person on the slide at a time.
3. Head first sliding is prohibited.
4. Slide down feet crossed with head back and hands crossed over chest.
5. Swimming is prohibited in the slide area at all times.

Diving Board Rules

1. No running on boards.
2. No horseplay on/near diving boards.
3. No sitting or leaning on board rails.
4. One bounce per dive on board.
5. Swim to ladder immediately after diving.
6. Jump away from the board and walls when using the diving board.
7. No swimming under diving board.

Thunder and Lightning

If cloud to ground lightning is detected within a 12 mile radius you will be alerted by one loud horn blast that will last 15 seconds.

1. The pool staff has the right to close the pool due to inclement weather even before the Thor-Guard lightning detector sounds.
2. If the alarm sounds or the lifeguards close the pool due to bad weather the members should leave the pool area immediately.
3. The pools will not be reopened until 30 minutes after the last evidence (seeing lightning or hearing thunder) of the thunderstorm has passed.
4. After 30 minutes the lifeguards and supervisor will reassess the situation and decide if the pool will be reopened.

BUTLER MASON POOL AREA CAPACITY: 260 people inside the pool area

Pool area includes all area inside the fence.

If the crowd exceeds capacity we will use a rotation system to allow for everyone to enjoy the Flowers Aquatic Center.