

The Plantations Two Community Association, Inc.
SWIMMING POOL RULES AND OPERATING POLICIES -- May 2025

(Rules and Operating Policies are subject to change at the discretion of the Board of Directors)

The following rules and policies have been adopted by the Plantations Two Community Association, Inc. **Board of Directors**, for the benefit of all users, to ensure maximum safety, better operation of the pool facilities, and to provide a pleasurable time for everyone. **Cooperation in observing the rules and obeying staff instructions is required by all individuals in the pool area.**

For the purposes of these rules and policies, "pool" and/or "pool area" is defined as the complete area enclosed by the fence, the area immediately outside the fence, both pools, the pool building, the shower rooms, and the pool office.

GENERAL RULES

1. The Plantations Two Board of Directors have the authority to enforce all pool rules and operating policies and can bar any individual from the pool for violations of these published rules and operating policies.
2. **No swimming allowed until the pool is officially open, and a "Ready-to-Rescue" lifeguard is on duty and present on the pool deck.**
3. All members and guests using the pool or pool area do so at their own risk and their sole responsibility.
4. Members will be held responsible for all the actions of their children and guests.
5. Plantations Two assumes no responsibility for any accident or injury in connection with the improper use of the pool.
6. All injuries on Association premises must be reported to the Pool Management staff immediately.
7. First aid needs will be attended to in the pool office by the lifeguard staff.
8. Plantations Two will not be responsible for any loss, theft, or damage of personal property of any kind. It is strongly recommended that members clearly mark all items brought to the pool.
9. Unauthorized persons found inside the pool area while the pool is closed will risk losing their privileges for the remainder of the season and risk prosecution for trespassing.

POOL MANAGEMENT & LIFEGUARD(S) RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The certified pool manager and certified lifeguards will be on duty during all hours of operation.
2. **To provide and maintain a safe and healthy environment, the pool manager and lifeguards are authorized to enforce all pool rules and regulations. Their instructions must always be followed.**
3. The pool manager and lifeguards are in charge of the pool, responsible for ensuring regulations are obeyed, and have been directed by the HOA Board to dismiss from the pool property any adult or child for any infraction or repeated infraction of the rules or when safety is threatened.
4. The pool manager and HOA Board of Directors have the authority to bar any person from the pool for up to one (1) week for each violation or for the remainder of the season for three (3) violations.

ADMISSION POLICIES

All members, caregivers, and guests must check in at the pool reception desk every time they enter the pool facility.

No one will be admitted to the pool area without completing the check-in process:

1. Member Policies:

- a. Upon entering the pool building, all members (ages 5 and above) and caregivers must SCAN their pool access tag at the reception desk. Access Tags are assigned to individuals and cannot be shared or loaned. Loaning or sharing your access tag can result in loss of pool privileges.
- b. Pool staff will verify all members, caregivers, and guests.
- c. If the photo on file does not match the individual, the pool staff may ask for a valid ID for proof of address.
- d. If there is no photo on file, the staff will take the member's picture.
- e. Pool staff may refuse admission to a member or caregiver whose pool privileges are non-verifiable, revoked, or not on file.
 - A membership not on file could be in default for failure to pay HOA or outside membership dues, a violation of published HOA Covenants, By Laws, Architectural rules and regulations, or prior violations to these pool rules and policies. In such cases, admission to the pool may only be approved after all fees have been paid or all violations corrected.
 - If a member is not on file, the desk guard will refer the member to the Plantations Two Pool Committee or the HOA Board for clarification.
- f. Only the HOA membership coordinators (not the pool staff) process new membership(s), membership renewals, caregiver(s) passes and replacement pool access tags.
- g. Replacement pool access tags can be purchased during the pool season for \$10.00 per tag:
 - Online at www.plantationstwo.com under the "Payments" page by PayPal/credit, OR
 - By Check (payable to Plantations Two CAI) dropped off at the pool reception desk.
 - The new pool access tag(s) will be left at the pool reception desk for pickup. You will be permitted access to the pool by manual check-in by the pool desk guard until your replacement tag is available.

2. Guest Policies:

- a. Guest passes are for use by a member (age 16 or older) to bring non-residents, extended family, friends, playmates, etc. to the pool. All guests' names must be printed in the daily visitors' log.
- b. A Guest is anyone 5 years or older that is not part of a current membership household.
- c. A pool member age 16 and older must accompany their guest(s) at the pool and are responsible for ensuring that their guest(s) obey all published rules and procedures. Guest passes are required for all guests, even those who are wearing street clothing because they are utilizing the pool area.
- d. Guests may leave the pool and re-enter (with the member) on the same day of their admission at no additional charge.
- e. Guest passes will be issued in a card format, and a guest card must be presented by the member to the pool desk guard for processing when entering the pool area with their guest(s).
- f. Pool members who abuse the guest policies will be subject to termination of their guest pass privileges and a possible 1-week violation suspension of their pool privileges.
- g. Each pool season a membership household will receive one free guest pass card. Guest passes are not transferable and not refundable.

- h. Additional guest pass cards (5 guests per card) can be purchased (**only by an adult pool member**) for \$15.00 per card, either:
- Online at www.plantationstwo.com under the "Payments" tab via PayPal/Credit (you need to bring your PayPal or credit card receipt to the pool reception desk to receive your visitor pass card). OR
 - At the pool by check (NO CASH) payable to Plantations Two CAI.
- i. Any **organized group (up to 30 members and guests)** is considered a **party** and not allowed entry into the pool via guest passes. For large groups or parties refer to the Pool Parties & Events section below.

AGE REGULATIONS & RESTRICTIONS

1. Brown access tags are issued to members 15 years of age or older, and members 12-14 who have met the requirements listed in item 4. below.
2. Red access tags are issued to members 5-14 years of age.
3. Children under 12 years of age must be accompanied by and cared for at the pool facility by an adult when visiting the pool.
4. Children 5 years of age and under must always have a responsible person in the water with them and within arms' reach.
5. Children 12-14 years of age are eligible for individual/unaccompanied pool access **only if** -
 - a. A child has written permission from a parent or guardian; and
 - b. A child has passed the required swim test, administered by a lifeguard. Specifically -
 - The pool manager will not validate receipt of brown access tags for youths 12-14 years of age until the youth demonstrate the ability to swim one pool length unassisted and tread water unassisted for one minute.
 - Once children 12-14 years of age have passed their swim test and have written permission to be at the pool unaccompanied the child will exchange their red access tag for a brown access tag.
5. Member children 12-14 years of age who have received their brown access tag can accompany and care for other member children when prior written permission from the child's parent or guardian is provided.
6. **Day Care Providers**, who are members must --
 - a. Schedule their group visits to the pool with the pool staff,
 - b. Use guest passes for the non-member children they are caring for, and
 - c. Must have one adult supervisor for every 5 children.
 - d. Children age 5 years or younger must have one adult per child in the water in the main pool.
7. **Caregiver Passes** are seasonal and for use by a non-member babysitter, nanny, or caregiver. Caregivers will receive a red access tag which cannot be exchanged for a membership brown access tag.
 - a. Caregivers are individuals who are --
 - Responsible for supervising a member's children (limit 5 children under 14) or caring for a family member who is dependent on full-time care and assistance (i.e., persons with disabilities, etc.).
 - Must comply with restrictions as stated in 6.c. and 6.d. above.
 - Only allowed entry to the pool when accompanying the member(s) they are caring for.
 - b. Caregivers cannot bring personal guests and proof of age and ID can be required.
8. **Use of Slide, Well & Deep Areas:** Member children 8 years or younger and non-member children 12 years or younger who wish to use the slide, swim in the well area, or swim in the deep areas of the pool

must pass a swim test. Once a child passes their swim test (1) their name will be added to a list in the pool office and (2) will receive a wristband each time the child visits the pool.

9. Wading pool is only for children 5 years or younger. Children using the wading pool are the responsibility of the parent(s), not the lifeguards, and must always be accompanied by an adult.
10. Persons responsible for children using the wading pool and non-swimmers using the main pool must always keep their charges under immediate supervision. When using the main pool the responsible person(s) must be in swimming attire, in the water and within arms' reach of the children at all times.
11. **Rest periods** (previously known as adult swim) will be announced each hour by the pool staff.
 - a. **During this period, everyone 16 and younger must be completely out of the main pool.**
 - b. Children under the age of 2 may accompany adults in the main pool during this period.
 - c. Again, the wading pool is only for children 5 years of age or younger. Older children may NOT use the wading pool during the rest period.
12. Lifeguards may ask an individual of any age to complete a swim test if, in the lifeguard's opinion, the individual does not exhibit the ability to swim in deep water.

FACILITIES

1. Glass containers, dangerous objects and materials are prohibited while on pool property.
2. Smoking (tobacco & electronic), alcoholic beverages and drugs, chewing tobacco, etc. are prohibited in the pool area. Persons under the influence of alcohol or drugs will be asked to leave.
3. **Chewing Gum is not allowed anywhere in the pool area.**
4. Pets are not permitted in the pool area, except for registered service animals. No animals, including service animals, may enter the pools.
5. **Food or beverages are prohibited to be within 6 feet of the pool's edge (except plastic bottles of water brought in for personal consumption).**
6. Waste and trash from the consumption of food or beverages must be deposited in the trash containers provided. All food consumed on the pool deck must be eaten while sitting at a table. Food waste such as seeds, skins, vines, etc., must be deposited in the trash containers provided - not on the pool deck.
7. No wheeled vehicles (bicycles, skateboards, rollerblades, scooters, etc.) will be allowed in the pool area.
Except for:
 - a. Wheelchairs or other assistive devices for persons with disabilities.
 - b. Baby carriages and strollers will be permitted in the table area and must always be kept at least 15 feet from the pool.
8. **Chairs and loungers are not permitted within six (6) feet of the pool side.**
9. **Use of entertainment devices (stereos, speakers, tablets, phones, etc. should be kept at an appropriate noise level to be considerate of other pool guests. The level of sound considered to be objectionable shall be set at the discretion of the pool staff.**
10. Only authorized personnel are permitted in the pool office (except for first aid or by request of the staff), pump/filter equipment room, electrical closet, valve closet, or on the lifeguard stands.
11. Only the pool staff are permitted to operate the ADA pool lift chair device.

HEALTH, HYGIENE & ATTIRE POLICIES

1. Before entering the pool, all persons must take a cleansing shower using soap and water. This is to reduce the amount of grass clippings, sand, and debris brought into the pool area on the feet and body.
2. Spitting, spouting water, blowing one's nose, and urinating in the pool are prohibited.
3. Any person having apparent skin disease, sore or inflamed eyes, cough, cold, nasal or ear discharge, wearing Band-Aids or bandages, or having any communicable disease, will be excluded from the pool.
4. Members with medical conditions: It is suggested that members who have medical or physical conditions, such as dizziness, fainting spells, etc., make it known to the pool manager for your safety.
5. Infants/children not toilet trained and incontinent adults entering a pool must wear a swimsuit with a clean swim-diaper or diaper and rubber pants. **Disposable diapers are prohibited.** If diaper becomes soiled, the wearer must leave the pool immediately and may not return until he/she has showered and changed.
6. Pool users must wear swimsuits/trunks in the pool. Street clothing, cut-offs, gym shorts and/or underwear are not permitted as swimwear.
7. Clean T-shirts for modesty or medical reasons may be worn over swimwear.

BEHAVIOR, POOL USE & SAFETY POLICIES

1. Socializing with or distracting the pool staff is prohibited.
2. The pool may be closed at the discretion of the pool management team due to inclement weather, including but not limited to thunder, lightning, rain, as well as operational breakdowns, or any reason relating to public health and safety.
3. No person within the facility shall behave in such a manner as to jeopardize the safety and health of themselves or others.
4. Profane and abusive language, abusive behavior, yelling, screaming, dunking, water fighting, aggressive splashing, acrobatics, running, tripping, towel snapping, wrestling, pushing, diving, or jumping haphazardly are prohibited.
5. Persons entering any portion of the pool must avoid diving or jumping onto other people in the pool.
6. Masks that cover the eyes and nose may be worn by children age 10 or older and must be approved by the lifeguard or pool manager before use.
7. Swim fins may be used for lap swimming only and must be approved by the lifeguard or pool manager before use.
8. Only Coast Guard approved safety devices, or YMCA approved arm floats and swim trainers **may be allowed** in the main pool. Per Montgomery County regulations, adults must supervise and be within arm's reach of non-swimmers and children using approved safety devices, wearing life jackets, arm floats and foam swim trainers at all times.
9. **Swim Lanes**: At the lifeguards' discretion, 1 or 2 swimming lanes may be roped off for those wishing to swim laps or exercise. *We request that members practice common courtesy and not block lanes or use them for an extended period.*
10. **Water Slide & Well Rules**:
 - a. See the Age Regulations & Restrictions, Item 8. section above.
 - b. Swim aides, floats, noodles, and toys are not permitted to be used on the slide.
 - c. Only one person on the slide at a time.
 - d. Younger children may not slide with their parents.
 - e. Slide feet first only, on back down the slide - no headfirst.

- f. Exit/leave the diving well immediately by the nearest ladder after exiting the slide.
- g. When the slide is being used, no one may dive from the sides of the pool or swim into the slide area.
- h. *The well area may be used for activities other than the slide at the lifeguard's discretion (i.e., open well).*

11. Toys:

- a. **Allowed** items include only soft toys, pool diving sticks, noodles, and soft (squish) balls.
- b. **Prohibited** items include rafts, inner tubes, floats, squirt guns or squirt toys, hard plastic or hard balls.

POOL PARTIES & EVENTS

- 1. All private parties must be reserved and receive prior approval by the pool committee and pool manager (maximum 30 attendees). For detailed information refer to the 2025 Pool Party Reservation Information packet posted on the web (www.plantationstwo.com).
- 2. Events (special functions with over 30 attendees) require prior approval by the Plantations Two Community Association Board of Directors. Costs will be determined depending on date, time, staff requirements, etc.

POOL DATES & HOURS

Dates: Starting the Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day.

Hours: On Any Day Public School is in Session (May, June, August, or September): 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm
 Regular Summer Hours (school not in session) (May thru September): 12:00 noon – 8:00 pm